

THE OPERATION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT (sjm October 26, 2020)

Question: What is the common denominator of successful people? (David, Elijah, Daniel, Stephen, Barnabus, Disciples, Philip, Paul?)

Answer: They at times operated under the power of the Holy Spirit

O/T= 2 Peter 1:21 Men spoke (acted) as they were moved by the H/S

N/T= Matt 9:17 Filled with H/S after being re-created;

Joel 2:28 Prophesied of a day when H/S would be poured out on all flesh;
The Holy Spirit could not be poured out on all flesh (a term meaning to be filled or indwelt) until man was re-recreated

Fulfilled in Acts 2:1-4 All filled with H/S & spoke with other tongues

John 16:7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is **expedient** for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

What Does Holy Spirit Do? (Remember: It is part of our better Covenant!

Brings Boldness Acts 4:13 Now when they saw the **boldness** of Peter & John & perceived they were unlearned & ignorant men, they marvelled & took knowledge of them, that they had been with Jesus

It Is a sign to unbeliever

Mark 16:17 These signs shall follow .. they shall speak with new tongues 1 Cor 14:22 "Tongues are a sign to the unbeliever"

Acts 10:46 Jews knew Cornelius had received the Holy Spirit

Seals us: Eph 1:14 Sealed with H/S, (earnest of our down payment until the redemption of the purchased possession
[Seal= An emblem of ownership & security, together with destination Evidence of eternal inheritance:

Gives Power:

Matt 12:28 Jesus said "If I cast out devils by the Spirit of God"
:29 Or else how can one enter a strong man's house?

Acts 1:8 You shall receive POWER (dunamis) after the H/G is come upon you
Dunamis = Strength or Mighty works & deeds; **Miracles = works of power:**
[See acts 2:22, 8:13 & 2 Cor 12:12 & Mark 9:39]

Guides Us into the Truth

John 16:13 **Howbeit** when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

Gives Authority

Matt 28:18 All power [**exousia**] = (authority) given unto me in heaven/earth

Provides Comfort John 16:7 It is expedient that I go .. for I will send the Comforter unto you. **Comforter** = Vine: Capability or adaptability of giving aid counsel, advocate, legal assistant;

Teaches Us Luke 12:11-12 (To Disciples) For the H/S shall **teach** you .. what you ought to say [To give instruction!]

John 14:26 But the Comforter, whom the father shall send in my name, shall **teach** you all things & bring all things to your remembrance:

Provides Refreshing: Is 28:11 For with stammering lips & another tongue will he speak to his people 12 This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest, & this is this refreshing
Refreshing = To give intermission from labor, give rest, refresh

Builds Ourselves Up

1 Cor 14:4 He that speaks in an unknown tongue edifies himself stimulates your capacity for faith)

Jude 17-20 Building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost.

Can Pray According to the Will of God:

Rom 8:26 Likewise the Spirit helpeth our infirmities(weaknesses), for we know not what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit maketh intercession for us with groaning that cannot be uttered

27 And he that searcheth the heart knows what is the mind of the spirit for he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God

What We Should Not Do

Grieve the H/S Eph 4:30 And grieve not the H/S of God(mourn, sorrow) whereby you are sealed unto the day of redemption

Resist H/S Acts 7:51 Ye stiffnecked(hard) people, ye do always resist the Holy Spirit