

# THE HOLY SPIRIT רוח אלהים Πνεύμα Ἅγιον

"I will put My Spirit in you, and you shall live" - Ezekiel 37:14

Statistics	רוח - ruach 378x		πνεύμα - pneuma 385x		"The Holy Spirit is the breath of spiritual life in the soul. The impartation of the Spirit is the impartation of the life of Christ. It imbues the receiver with the attributes of Christ. Only those who are thus taught of God, those who possess the inward working of the Spirit, and in whose life the Christ-life is manifested, are to stand as representative men, to minister in behalf of the church." (DA 805.3)	SDA Baptismal Vow 1. Do you believe in God the Father, His Son Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit?
	OT +	OT -	NT +	NT -		
Spirit - of God	99	2	256	0		
Spirit - of others	11	23	15	53		
Life - Breath	16	17	6	2		
Life - Human	43	55	48	4		
Nature - Wind	33	79	1	0		

**Identity** Bible Translation: NKJV **Spirit of the Father · Spirit of the Son**

**Mt 10:20** "for it is not you who speak, but **the Spirit of your Father** who speaks in you - **Mk 13:11 = the Holy Spirit.**"  
**Jn 14,16 ... 18:** "another Comforter" ... "I come to you" = **Jesus** (1Joh 2:1!).  
**1Pet 1:11** "searching what, or what manner of time, **the Spirit of Christ** who was in them was indicating when He testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow.."  
**1Pet 1:12** "... through those who have preached the gospel to you **by the Holy Spirit** sent from heaven"  
**2Pet 1:21** "for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved **by the Holy Spirit.**"  
**Acts 5:3-4:** lying against the Holy Spirit = lying against God! But ... parallels: Mt 25:40: "inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me!" brethren≠Jesus! Acts 9:4: "Why are you persecuting Me?" Christ≠Christians. 1Cor 8:12: "Wheyn you sin against the brethren...you sin against Christ." Brethren≠Christ (so also Luke 10:16).

**Overview** **Impact · Implication**

- 1. Creation** (Gen 1:2) - Spirit in contrast to darkness ( 2x)
- 2. Construction** (Ex 31:3) - The Spirit grants us knowledge + skill for divine assignments → Zech 4,6!
- 3. Community** (Num 24:2) - Through the Spirit we speak for God to bless His people
- 4. Commandments** (Ex 31:18; Lk 11:20; Mt 12:28) - The Spirit engraves the Law of God
- 5. Christ: Birth** (Mt 1:18) - The Spirit particularizes Christ in Mary (but is not the Father of Christ!)
- Christ: Commencement** (Mt 3:16-17) - "The Father himself will minister to his Son. Direct from the throne proceeded the light of the glory of God...beams of light and glory proceeded...and assumed the form of a dove...The dove-like form was emblematical of the meekness and gentleness of Christ" (YI3/1 1874).
- 6. Converted Life** (Dan 2:3; 7:15; Jn 4:24; 7:39 - DA ch. 49!; Acts 5:32; Gal 5:22-25; Jude 19-20) - The Spirit enables and effects a godly life
- 7. Copy that!** (Jn 16:8-15) - The Spirit duplicates the entire sanctuary service in our life
- 8. Church** (Acts 2) - The Spirit birthes the church after the catastrophic crisis of the cross
- 9. Countdown** (Eph 4:7-16; Rev 1:9; 12:17; 19:10; 22:8-11) - The Spirit grants special gifts for the end time
- 10. Conclusion** (Joel 2:28; Rev 22:17) - The Spirit extends a final invitation towards humanity

**GOD is looking for YOU!** "Not by seeking a holy mountain or a sacred temple are men brought into communion with heaven. Religion is not to be confined to external forms and ceremonies. The religion that comes from God is the only religion that will lead to God. **In order to serve Him aright, we must be born of the divine Spirit.** This will purify the heart and renew the mind, giving us a new capacity for knowing and loving God. **It will give us a willing obedience to all His requirements. This is true worship.** It is the fruit of the working of the Holy Spirit. By the Spirit every sincere prayer is indited, and such prayer is acceptable to God. Wherever a soul reaches out after God, there the Spirit's working is manifest, and God will reveal Himself to that soul. **For such worshipers He is seeking. He waits to receive them, and to make them His sons and daughters**" (DA 189).

**Living in the Spirit** **Impulse · Implementation**

**Ex 24:9-12** "And there was under His feet as it were a paved work of **sapphire stone**, and it was like the very heavens in its clarity. 11 But on the nobles of the children of Israel He did not lay His hand. So they saw God, and they ate and drank. 12 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Come up to Me on the mountain and be there; and I will give you tablets of stone, and the law and commandments which I have written, that you may teach them."!" "gold, blue, purple, scarlet" 7x in Exodus (28:5,6,8,15; 39:2,5,8; without "gold" 26x)  
**Ex 28:15** breast plate: "of gold, of [yarn of] **blue**, purple, and scarlet thread, and fine woven linen, you shall make it"  
**Ex 28:31, 37** blue overcoat, **blue** lace (also Ex 39:31)  
**Ex 32:16** "Now the tablets were the work of God, and the writing was the writing of God engraved on the tablets."  
**Ex 39:24** "They made on the hem of the robe pomegranates of blue, purple, and scarlet, and of fine woven linen."  
**Num 4** Blue cloth over ark of covenant (6), table of showbread (7), menorah (9), golden altar (11), utensils (12)  
**Num 15:38** Tassel on overcoat: "a blue thread in the tassels of the corners"  
**Rev 17:4** "The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet, and adorned with gold and precious stones and pearls, having in her hand a golden cup full of abominations and the filthiness of her fornication." - **blue missing!**  
**Ezek 36:26-27** "I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. 27 I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them."  
**Ezek 37:1** "The hand of the LORD came upon me and brought me out in the Spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley; and it was full of bones." → **Life!**  
**Ezek 39:29** "I will not hide My face from them anymore; for I shall have poured out My Spirit on the house of Israel,' says the Lord GOD." → Future!

**Rejection in Matthew:** 1:19: Joseph · 2:16: Herod · 2:22: Archelaus · 3:7: Pharisee/Sadducee · 4:1: Satan · 5:11-12: “the” · 5:21: delay · 8:34: Gadarenes/Gergesenes · 9:3: scribes · 9:11: Pharisees · 10:16: “wolves” · 10:21: brothers, fathers, children · 10:35: husband, daughter, daughter-in-law · 11:20-21: 3 cities · 12:2: Pharisees · 12:14: Pharisees (death!) · 12:20: Messiah does not reject the weak! · 12:24: Pharisees · 13: parables as invitations with eternal consequences!

**The Latter Rain**

Agrarian Calendar: Early Rain Etanim/Tishri (September/October); Latter Rain (מְלִקָּט) Abib/Nissan (March/April).

**The Final Work**

**Gen 2:5-6:** rain (and mist) as condition for the fulfillment of the divine mandate for humanity!

**1Kgs 17:** rain as central point in the great conflict between Baal and God!

**Deut 11:14** “then I will give you the rain for your land in its season, **the early rain and the latter rain**, that you may gather in your grain, your new wine, and your oil”

**Job 29:23** “They waited for me as for the rain, And they opened their mouth wide as for **the spring rain.**”

**Prov 16:15** “In the light of the king’s face is life, And his favor is like a cloud of **the latter rain.**”

**Jer 3:3** “Therefore the showers have been withheld, and there has been no latter rain. You have had a harlot’s forehead; You refuse to be ashamed.”

**Jer 5:24** “They do not say in their heart, “Let us now fear the LORD our God, **Who gives rain, both the former and the latter**, in its season. He reserves for us the appointed weeks of the harvest!””

**Hos 6:3** “Let us know, Let us pursue the knowledge of the LORD. His going forth is established as the morning; He will come to us like the rain, **Like the latter and former rain to the earth.**”

**Joel 2:23** “Be glad then, you children of Zion, And rejoice in the LORD your God; For He has given you the former rain faithfully, And He will cause the rain to come down for you— **The former rain, And the latter rain in the first month.**”

**Zech 10:1** “Ask the LORD for rain in **the time of the latter rain.** The LORD will make flashing clouds; He will give them showers of rain, grass in the field for everyone!”

**James 5:7** “Therefore be patient, brethren, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, waiting patiently for it until it receives **the early and latter rain.**”



*The Acts of the Apostles*  
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Chapter 5:  
“The Gift of the Spirit”

**Ellen White & the Holy Spirit**

**“We want the Holy Spirit, which is Jesus Christ” (Letter 66, April 10, 1894)**

🤫 **Silence is golden . . .** 🤫

- “It is not essential for us to be able to define just what the Holy Spirit is. Christ tells us that the Spirit is the Comforter, “the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father.” It is plainly declared regarding the Holy Spirit that, in His work of guiding men into all truth, “He shall not speak of Himself.” John 15:26; 16:13. AA 51.3)
- The nature of the Holy Spirit is a mystery. Men cannot explain it, because the Lord has not revealed it to them. Men having fanciful views may bring together passages of Scripture and put a human construction on them, but the acceptance of these views will not strengthen the church. Regarding such mysteries, which are too deep for human understanding, silence is golden.”  
**“They have one God and one Saviour; and one Spirit—the Spirit of Christ—is to bring unity into their ranks (9T 189.3)”**

**Jesus. Life.**

- “Christ gives them the breath of His own spirit, **the life of His own life**” (DA 827; MH 159). **“The impartation of the Spirit is the impartation of the life of Christ”** (DA 805; Jn 20:22). Satan also breathes “on them an unholy influence” (EW 56) = his spirit, not a separate being from Satan. “By an agency as unseen as the wind, Christ is constantly working upon the heart ... Suddenly, as the Spirit comes with more direct appeal, the soul gladly surrenders itself to Jesus” (DA 172.3).
- “Cumbered with humanity, Christ could not be in every place personally; therefore it was altogether for their advantage that He should leave them, go to His Father, and send the Holy Spirit to be His successor on earth. **The Holy Spirit is [Christ] Himself, divested of the personality of humanity, and independent thereof**” (Lt 119, 1895; DA 669!; 1 Cor 15:45; 2 Cor 3:17).
- “The disciples didn’t get “that they could have **the presence of Christ** with them, and yet He be unseen by the world” (SW Aug. 13, 1898). “The divine Spirit... the world’s Redeemer promised to send is the presence and power of God” (ST Nov. 23, 1891). “Christ declared that the divine influence of His Spirit was to be with His followers unto the end” (AA 49). “Christ is represented by the Holy Spirit” (ST Dec. 1, 1898). “The Lord Jesus acts through the Holy Spirit; for it is his representative” (RH Aug. 25, 1896). “With his Spirit Christ sends a reconciling influence and a power that takes away sin” (RH May 19, 1904). “Jesus comes to you as the Spirit of truth” (2MR 337). “Christ breathed His Spirit upon them” (DA 805; Jn 20:22). “Jesus will be with you; He will go before you by His Holy Spirit” (LS 439; →Eph 3:16-17!).
- “The Father gave His Spirit without measure to His Son” (RH Nov 5, 1908).

**The Presence of God**

**By His Spirit He [God] is everywhere present” (Ed 132).**

- “By the Spirit the Father and the Son will come and make their abode with you” (BEcho Jan. 15, 1893 par.8). God “is an unseen presence in the person of the Holy Spirit” (Lt 124, 1897).

**Jacob’s Trouble**

- “When Christ shall cease His work as mediator in man’s behalf, then this time of trouble will begin. Then the case of every soul will have been decided, and there will be no atoning blood to cleanse from sin. When Jesus leaves His position as man’s intercessor before God, the solemn announcement is made, “He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.” Revelation 22:11. Then the restraining Spirit of God is withdrawn from the earth” (PP 201.2).

**Apparent defeat is the precise opportunity of ultimate victory!**

“The greatest victories to the church of Christ or to the individual Christian are not those that are gained by talent or education, by wealth or the favor of men. They are those victories that are gained in the audience chamber with God, when earnest, agonizing faith lays hold upon the mighty arm of power” (PP 203.1).