
Purpose of the Holy Spirit II (The Move of God)

Growing in the Spirit of God

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Sermon: Growing in the Spirit of God: Purpose of the Holy Spirit II (The Move of God)

Current Series Messages:

- Theme Scripture: John 14: ***26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.***
- Subject: **Grow Up or Swell Up** (Perfected or Infected: Learn, Know, Use)
- Subject: **The Purpose of the Holy Spirit** (The Introduction)
 - Tarring for the Holy Spirit (Wait not Work)
 - Receiving the Holy Spirit (Introduction not Instruction)
 - Demonstrating the Holy Spirit (Evidence not Litmus)

Lesson Text

Genesis 1:1–5 (AV)¹ In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. ² And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* upon the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters. ³ And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. ⁴ And God saw the light, that *it was* good: and God divided the light from the darkness. ⁵ And God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And the evening and the morning were the first day.

Psalms 51:5–10 (AV)⁵ Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me. ⁶ Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts: and in the hidden *part* thou shalt make me to know wisdom. ⁷ Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow. ⁸ Make me to hear joy and gladness; *that* the bones *which* thou hast broken may rejoice. ⁹ Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities. ¹⁰ Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

Introduction

As we stated in our last message, before the Holy Spirit can truly be effective for our lives, we must understand His purpose in our lives. If we don't understand the purpose, we can misuse and even abuse his role in our lives.

Let's restate His Purpose based on His name "Holy Spirit. Holy means to be set apart, separated, or sanctified. Spirit is wind or breath, an invisible power that causes movement and change. **So then the Holy Spirit is the invisible power of the Godhead that separates (sanctifies) us from the world of sin, and moves us to Christ so that we become like him.**

Today we want to focus on His role to move us.

First of all, our starting place in life, our nature and nurture, is sin and iniquity.

Psalms 51: ⁵ Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me.

But where we start is not where God purposed for us to finish. But in order to get here to there, we must move.

The ugly truth of life is that most people tend to end up where they started in live. Poor remain poor, rich remain rich, ghetto remain ghetto, crooked remain crooked.

It is because Satan and this world loves the status quo; and so the lusts of this world are designed to make us unfruitful, and stay in state of sin and iniquity we were born into.

But God has a plan for our life (His Will), a plan of peace and not evil to bring us to an expected end (His Word). But in order for us to get there, we must be moved (His Spirit)

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“Pack your things, it’s moving day!”

I. Moved by the Spirit of God

Genesis 1:¹ In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. ² And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness *was* upon the face of the deep. And **the Spirit of God moved** upon the face of the waters.

Before Christ, our lives were just like the earth in Genesis; we were without form, void, and dark. That is, we had no order, no purpose, and no direction. Filled with sin, in the dark, and no way to get out.

The problem with many people is they are trying to find their purpose and meaning, but they are stumbling the dark with a dark heart susceptible to the dark things of this world.

They are constantly being led by their deceitful heart to the temptations and evil of this world; the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life.

They think the answer is money, but they’re deceived and choked; they think the answer is companionship, but they’re broken hearted; they think the answer is power, but they’re resisted.

God has a Word for their lives, but they need they Spirit to bring it to life.

Before the Word can Work for Us, the Spirit of God must Move upon Us!

Genesis 1:¹ ... And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters.

How many of you know people who know the Word, but have not been moved by the Word? They quote the scriptures, but do not live by them. It’s because the Word isn’t alive for them.

Psalms 51: ¹⁰ Create in me a clean heart, O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

In order for the Word of God to come alive in us, the Spirit of God must move upon us.

Luke 4:18 (AV)¹⁸ **The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,**

When the Spirit of the Lord moves upon us, they Word can Work for us. **“It’s Moving Day!”**

II. Moved by the Word of God

Genesis 1: ³ **And God said**, Let there be light: and there was light.

Once the Spirit of God moves upon us, we are ready for the Word to work for us.

But unfortunately, too many Christians experience the Spirit of God, but never walk in the Word and Promises of God.

2 Corinthians 1:20 (AV)²⁰ For all the promises of God in him *are* yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.

So why are we not experiencing all the promises of God's Word? It's because we are not walking according to the Word.

The Spirit brings the Word alive, but once you experience Him, you must walk in Him.

Galatians 5: ¹⁶ *This* I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.

Before the Will of God can Prosper Us, The Word of God must Walk in Us!

Jeremiah 29:11 (AV)¹¹ For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

The expected end is the plan for your life, it is the Will of God. But it's the Word of God that is the road map on how to get there. And it is the Spirit of God that keeps us on track.

John 14: ²⁶ **But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.**

Matthew 6:13 (AV)¹³ And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

Psalms 51:⁷ Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean: wash me and I shall be whiter than snow
When the Word of God Walks in us, the Will of God will Prosper us. **"It's Moving Day!"**

III. Moved by the Will of God

Genesis 1: ⁴ And God saw the light, **that it was good**: ...

The enemy wants us to stay where we started, but God says, **"It's Moving Day!"**

- The Spirit of God is Moving us, so the Word of God can Work for Us
- The Word of God is Moving us, so the Promises of God can Prosper Us
- The Will of God is Moving us, so that it will be Good for Us

The enemy wants to Steal, Kill, and Destroy. He attacks us with many afflictions. He troubles us on every side. He forms weapons against us. He raises up armies against us.

But God spoke his Word concerning us, and his Will for our lives is Good!

Psalms 66:12 (AV)¹² Thou hast caused men to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through water: but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy *place*.

The Will of God takes us to a Wealthy Place, a Blessed Place, a Prosperous Place, a Good Place!

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His Work is Good for Us: Philippians 1:6 (AV)⁶ Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform *it* until the day of Jesus Christ:

His Plans are Good for Us: Jeremiah 29:11 (AV)¹¹ For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, saith the LORD, thoughts of peace, and not of evil, to give you an expected end.

His Prosperity is Good for Us: 3 John 2 (AV)² Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayest prosper and be in health, even as thy soul prospereth.

His Blessings are Good for Us Deuteronomy 28:2 (AV)² And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.

His Promises are Good for Us 2 Corinthians 1:20 (AV)²⁰ For all the promises of God in him *are* yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.

We are moving into the Will of God, and it is ALL GOOD!

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Midweek Study Lesson Plan (Sermon: Purpose of the Holy Spirit II (The Move of God))

Study Tools:

- Sermon Video & Notes: <https://victoriouspraise.org/>
- Bibles, Commentaries, Dictionaries: <https://biblehub.com/tools.htm>
- Book Source: ["The Complete Guide To Understanding The Holy Spirit"](#); Read the Following Chapters:
 - "Purpose"
 - "How does the Holy Spirit Work?"
 - "The Introduction to the Holy Spirit"
 - "The Role of the Holy Spirit"

Lesson Text

- Genesis 1:1–5, Psalm 51:5–10

Sermon Outline

- Moved by the Spirit of God
- Moved by the Word of God
- Moved by the Will of God

Questions

I. Getting to Know "Me"

1. If you were to get lost while driving, what would you be likely to do? (*Examples*, stop and ask directions, check the paper map in your glove box, or keep going until something looks familiar). For this question assume your GPS or other navigation system is not working.
2. What word or phrase best describes your earliest thoughts about the role of the Holy Spirit in your life? Why?

II. Into the Bible

1. Mormonism, Seventh Day Adventism, Christian Science, Jehovah's Witnesses, and other false cults begin with the Word of God and supplement the scripture with their own writings. Yet, 2 Tim 3:16-17 (NIV) states, All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,¹⁷ so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work. Can we believe the Bible as the Word of God in truth? Do we need added revelations? What is the work of the Holy Spirit in this matter?
2. Was Simeon, in Luke 2:25-35, controlled by the Holy Spirit? Why or why not? (Note: Jesus had not sent the Holy Spirit during this time.)
3. What is the difference in the word of wisdom, word of knowledge and word of prophecy?
4. How do the three realms of prophecy differ: word of prophecy, gift of prophecy and office of the prophets?

III. Life Application

1. If we are not experiencing the manifestation of God's promises in our lives, what measures can we take to see His promises manifest? Give practical solutions.
2. Our adversary, the devil, is not omniscient, however, he remains on his job to dissuade us from accomplishing God's will for our lives. What are some actions we can take to stay on the path of completing and enjoying God's will for our lives?

Prayer

- **Prayer Request:**
- **Personal Prayer:**