WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY



PART 9: THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT UPON

Reading: Numbers 11:16 - 17 & 24 - 30

Introduction

- The work of the Holy Spirit **WITHIN** a person is always to do with the work of salvation and the ongoing work of our sanctification.
- The work of the Holy Spirit **UPON** is always to do with the Spirit's empowering/equipping them.
- 1 The Case Of Moses And the 70 Elders
- [Acts 7:38] calls the Israelites, *'the congregation/church in the wilderness.'*
- Moses was the minister/pastor of that church.
- To spread the burden of leadership Jehovah proposed Moses be helped by 70 elders.
- [Vs. 25] the Spirit was to come **UPON** them gifting them with administrative/pastoral wisdom.
- This was their 'anointing.'

2 The Case Of Gideon [Judges 6 & 7]

- The Holy Spirit came upon a frightened farmer [6:34].
- He was equipped/anointed to became a great military leader.
- 3 The Case Of Samson [Judges 13 16]
- The Holy Spirit came **UPON** him. [13:25/14:6/14:19/15:14].
- Anointed with supernatural strength.
- Same Holy Spirit, but different gifting/anointing.
- 7 times in Judges, the Holy Spirit came **UPON** men.
- The 'anointing breaks the yoke.'

4 The Case Of King Saul

- Saul was Israel's first king after the era of the Judges.
- [1 Samuel 11:6, 10] the Holy Spirit would come **UPON** him with the evidence of prophesying.
- NB. Saul lost his 'anointing' through disobedience.

5 The Case Of King David

- Jehovah's replacement for the disobedient Saul was a shepherd lad. [1 Samuel 16:13].
- No supernatural outward evidence of this 'anointing.'
- But as time would go by everything he would need would be in that anointing.

Conclusion

- In none of these instances cited was salvation/sanctification the purpose of the Holy Spirit.
- It was 'anointing' them with **POWER** for service.
- These giftings were supernatural.
- In the Old Testament era it was only a select few who knew the Holy Spirit coming **UPON** them.
- In the New Testament era it would be for all God's obedient children.

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