

GOD'S HOLY SPIRIT IN "THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES"

God's Spirit is mentioned 67 times in Acts.

On 40 of these occasions the Spirit is describes as the "Holy Spirit"

1. GOD'S PRESENCE NOT LIMITED TO "OUR KIND OF PEOPLE"

10:38 God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the **Holy Spirit** and with POWER; he went about DOING GOOD AND HEALING all who were oppressed by the devil, for GOD WAS WITH HIM.

2:17 In the last days God will pour out His **Spirit upon** ALL FLESH, your sons **and** YOUR DAUGHTERS will prophecy (speak-forth God's word)

11:12 The **Spirit** told Peter...not to make a distinction between *them and us*.

2. GUIDING OUR LIVES

16:6, 7 [Paul and his friends] went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the **Holy Spirit** to speak the word in Asia. When they had come opposite Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia, but the **Spirit** of Jesus did not allow them;

3. MARKED AS GOD'S OWN AND CLEANSED FROM SIN

1:5 Jesus said to his followers: "you will be baptized with the **Holy Spirit**."

4. INSPIRING SCRIPTURE

1:16 The scripture had to be fulfilled, which the **Holy Spirit** through David (Psalm 69:4? 109:2-5?) foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus.

4:25 God said by the **Holy Spirit** through our ancestor David your servant: "Why did the Gentiles rage, and the peoples imagine vain things?" (Ps.2:1)

5. EMPOWERED AND TRANSFORMED TO SERVE

1:8 Jesus said to his followers: 'you will receive POWER when the **Holy Spirit** has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

6. PROVIDING GIFTS AND CHRISTIAN CHARACTER FOR SERVICE

(see also the "Fruit of the Spirit" in Galatians 5:22-23, and the "Gifts of the Spirit" in Romans 12:4-8, 1 Corinthians 12:4-11); LOVE, Romans 5:5)

2:4 All of Jesus' followers them were filled with the **Holy Spirit** and began to speak in OTHER LANGUAGES, as the **Spirit** gave them ability.

4:31 When they had prayed, they were all filled with the **Holy Spirit** and spoke the word of God with BOLDNESS.

6:3 Friends, select from among yourselves (people) full of the **Spirit** and of WISDOM, whom we may appoint to this task,

11:24 Barnabas was a good man, full of the **Holy Spirit** and of FAITH.

And a great many people were brought to the Lord.

13:52 And the disciples were filled with JOY and with the **Holy Spirit**.

20:28 Keep watch over yourselves and over all the flock, of which the **Holy Spirit** has MADE YOU OVERSEERS, to shepherd the church of God that he obtained with the blood of his own Son.

9 & 11 a.m.

HYMN

THE HOLY SPIRIT

O Breath of Life, Come Sweeping through Us

Will you not revive us again, that your people may rejoice in you? Ps. 85:6

1. O Breath of life, come sweep - ing through us, re - vive your
2. O Wind of God, come bend us, break us, till hum - bly
3. O Breath of love, come breathe with - in us, re - new - ing
5. Re - vive us, Lord! Is zeal a - bat - ing white har - vest

church with life and pow'r; O Breath of Life, come, cleanse, re -
we con - fess our need; then in your ten - der - ness re -
• thought and will and heart; come, Love of Christ, a - fresh to
fields are vast and white? Re - vive us, Lord, the world is

new us, and fit your church to meet this hour.
make us, re - vive, re - store, for this we plead.
• win us, re - vive your church in ev - ery part.
wait - ing, e - quip your church to spread the light.

Bessie P. Head, ca. 1914
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Mary J. Hammond, ca. 1920