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## Πνεῦμα Ἅγιον (*neut.*)

**John 14:26** “But **the Helper** (*masc.*), **the Holy Spirit** (*neut.*), **what** (*neut.*) the Father will send in My name, **He** (“*that one*” *masc.*) will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I said to you

# **The Church Is Unique, Distinct**

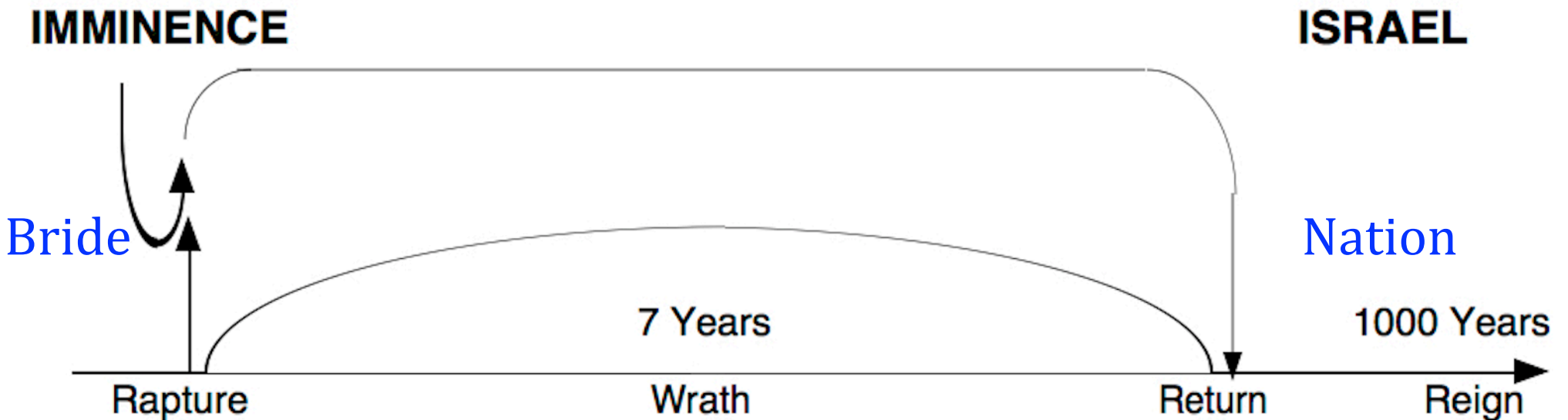
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*Does Israel = The Church?*  
***NO! The Church and Israel ARE DISTINCT!***

**The Nation of Israel:** Began at Sinai on Pentecost (*Ex 20*)

**The Body of Christ:** Began in Jerusalem on Pentecost (*Acts 2*)



## *Jesus Is The Bridegroom*

**Rev. 19:7** Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and **His Bride *has made herself*** ready—

**19:8** it was granted her ***to clothe herself*** with fine linen, bright and pure—for the fine linen is ***the righteous deeds of the saints***

**Rev. 19:9** And the angel said to me, “Write this: Blessed are ***those who are invited to the marriage supper of the Lamb.***”

**2 Cor. 11:2** For I feel a divine jealousy for you, since ***I betrothed you*** to one husband, to present you as a pure virgin to Christ

**Rev. 22:17** The Spirit and the Bride say, “Come.” And let the one who hears say, “Come.” And let the one who is thirsty come; let the one who desires (*to quench that thirst?*) take the water of life without price (***GRACE!***)

***The Church DID NOT begin with Adam, or Abraham...  
She was born the day The Father poured forth his Holy Spirit  
The beginning of a UNIQUE and Marvelous Ministry!***

*What does that Unique ministry look like?  
How does **His** ministry NOW  
compare to **His** ministry BEFORE Pentecost?*

# THE OPERATIONS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

	Defintion	Human Responsibility	O.T. Pre-Israel Israel>Pentecost	N.T. Church Pentecost>Rapture	**O.T. Israel in The Tribulation	Bible References
<b>REGENERATION</b>	<b>New Birth</b> "Born Again"	Personal Faith In God's Word	Yes: By Faith "He is the Rewarder of those who seek Him"	Yes: By Faith "He is the Rewarder of those who seek Him"	Yes: By Faith "He is the Rewarder of those who seek Him"	Gen 15:6 John 3:3-5 Heb 11:6
<b>*INDWELLING</b>	<b>Live Inside</b> "Setting up House"	None Work of the H.S.	No	Yes	No	1 Cor 3:16 Rom 8:11
<b>*BAPTISM</b>	<b>Identification</b> "Dipping Cloth into Dye"	None Work of the H.S.	No	Yes	No	Gal 3:27 1 Cor 12:12-13
<b>*SEALING</b>	<b>Guarantee</b> Pledges Payment "Owner's Mark"	None Work of the H.S.	No	Yes	No	2 Cor 1:21-22 Eph 4:30
<b>FILLING</b>	<b>Control</b> Influence Empowerment	Repentance Obedience to God's Word	Yes	Yes	Yes	Ex 35:31, Mic 3:8 Lu 1:15, 1:41 Ac 2:4 Eph 5:18

**\* Only Church Age Saints:** the Bride (Rev 19:7-9), the Body of Christ (1 Cor 12:13) Called being "*In Christ*" (1 Thes 4:16, Col 1:27)

**\*\* The Final O.T. Week** of the 70 Weeks of Daniel (Dan 9:24-27). Also called "*The Time of Jacob's Trouble*" (Jer 30:7<sup>KJV</sup>)

# The New Testament Work of the Holy Spirit

## *Baptism* βάπτισμα

... identification into, *dipping cloth into dye*

to be placed **into** and **identified with** the body of Jesus Christ

**1Cor. 12:12** For even as the *human* body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though they are many, are one body, so also is Christ. **12:13** For by one Spirit ***we were all baptized into one body***, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and ***we were all made to drink*** of one Spirit.

**Gal. 3:27** For all of you who ***were baptized into Christ*** have ***clothed yourselves with Christ***.

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*“IN Christ” Used 87 times only in the NT. Paul: 84 Peter: 3*

**1Th. 4:14** For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who have fallen asleep **in Jesus**.

**1Th. 4:16** For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of [the] archangel and with the trumpet of God, and the dead **in Christ** will rise first.

**Col. 1:27** ... God willed to make known what is the riches of *the glory of this mystery* among the Gentiles, *which is Christ in you*, the hope of glory.  
**1:28** We proclaim Him, admonishing ... and teaching ..., *so that* we may present every man complete *in Christ (the GOAL of glory!)*



# The New Testament Work of the Holy Spirit

***Indwelling*** οἰκεῖ ἐν ὑμῖν

... living inside, *a permanent home*

**1Cor. 3:16** Do you not know that you are a Temple of God and the Spirit of God **dwells in you** (“*you all*” are each part of His house)?

**Rom. 8:11** if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead ***dwells in you***, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give ***life*** to your ***mortal*** bodies through His Spirit who ***dwells in you***

*The Holy Spirit is Her Seal*

## **The New Testament Work of the Holy Spirit**

***Sealing*** σφραγίζω      ***Pledge*** ἄρραβῶν

... a pledge, a down payment, a mark of ownership

**2Cor. 1:21** Now He who **establishes** us with you in Christ and **anointed** us *is God, 1:22* who also **sealed** us and gave the Spirit in our hearts *as a pledge.*

***God the Father establishes, anoints, seals—ALL Permanent***

**Eph. 4:30** Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom ***you were sealed*** for the day of redemption  
(*a future guarantee of eternal life*)

## The *Universal* Work of the Holy Spirit

### *Regeneration* γεννάω ἄνωθεν

... rebirth, *born again, justification* The Abraham Model (Gen 15:6)

**John 3:3** *Jesus ... to Nicodemus* “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again (#2 birth) he cannot see the kingdom of God.”

**3:4** *Nicodemus:* “How can a man be born when he is old already? Can he his mother’s womb enter a second time and be again born? (A “do over” of #1?)

**3:5** *Jesus:* “Truly, truly, I say to **you** (*Nicodemus*), unless one is born of water (#1) and the Spirit (#2, *again or from above*) he cannot **enter into** the kingdom of God.

## The *Universal* Work of the Holy Spirit

### *Filling* πληρόω

... furnish, *diffuse into the soul*, **controlled by power**

**Ex. 35:31** And He has filled him (*Bezalel*) with the Spirit of God ...

**Mic. 3:8** I am filled with power  
— With the Spirit of the LORD

**Luke 1:15** ... he will be filled with the Holy Spirit while yet in his mother's womb

**Luke 1:41** When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit

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**Acts 2:4** And they were all  
filled with the Holy Spirit ...

**Eph. 5:18** And do not get drunk with  
wine ... but be filled with the Spirit

## Church Age Saints Are “RIBS”

*Regenerated*

*Indwelt*

*Baptized*

*Sealed*

*Now, go and be... **FILLED!***

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**Πνεῦμα Ἅγιον** (*neut.*)

**“WHAT AND WHO?”**

***WHEN HE GOES—WE GO!***



# I / II THESSALONIANS

“THE REVELATION”