# Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

# **OPERATING IN THE SPIRIT REALM**

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**PART 6: HOLY GHOST POWER** 

### WHO IS GOD?

The Old Testament is written in the Hebrew language and it has more words for God than the English language. In order for an English speaking Christian to get the full meaning of some verses in the Bible, he needs to use a concordance to see how the different names for God are translated.

The English word for "God" in the first chapter of Genesis comes from the Hebrew word, "Elohim," meaning "Gods." Since the translators of the King James Bible translated "Elohim" as "God," an English speaking Christian will wonder who God is talking to when referring to Himself as "us." **Genesis 1:26-27** 

When Adam was told about the creation and directed to write down an account, he did not seem to be surprised or he would have stated it in his writings. He was told that God created a body and that he had a living soul. **Genesis 2:7** 

The full understanding of the make up of man comes in the New Testament when Jesus told Nicodemus that he had to be born again, indicating that he had a dead spirit. **John 3:3**; **Ephesians 2:1-6** 

The apostle Paul made it clear that there is a difference between a soul and the spirit of man. **Hebrews 4:12** 

We know that man consists of three components: body, soul and a spirit.

Thus, when Elohim said man was going to be created in the image of Elohim, it tells us that Elohim is triune. This was later verified by Jesus when He said that He and the Father are one. **John 10:30** 

Jesus told the disciples that He would send the Comforter to work with them when He returned to the Father in heaven. Comforter and Spirit of Truth are different names of the Holy Ghost.

Please note that Jesus did not say He will send "it;" instead, He used the pronoun "Him" when referring to the Holy Ghost and this tells us that the Holy Ghost is a person. **John 16:7-15** 

The apostle John provided a final definition of Elohim when he spoke about the three persons of God or the Godhead. **1 John 5:7** 

This is the reason that Jesus told the disciples to baptize new believers in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Ghost. **Matthew 28:19** 

Elohim is God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Ghost. He is three in one, yet He is one.



#### WHO IS THE HOLY GHOST?

The Bible does not provide much information about the Holy Ghost as a person, except to list some attributes and the kinds of work he has done and continues to do.

- ❖ We are told the Holy Ghost is the Spirit of Truth. John 16:13; 1 John 4:6
- ❖ We are told the Holy Ghost can be grieved. **Ephesians 4:30**
- ❖ We are told not to blaspheme the Holy Ghost. **Matthew 12:31-32**
- ❖ The Holy Ghost is first mentioned in Genesis. Genesis 1:2

The Holy Ghost would come upon a person and infuse them with supernatural power during the Old Testament times. **Judges 14:5-6** 

The Holy Ghost came upon men and women and changed them, empowered them and gave them boldness. **1 Samuel 10:6** 

It is important to note that none of the Old Testament saints had the Holy Ghost living inside of them. **John 7:37-39** 

# AFTER THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS

Evil spirits have been able to invade people and possess them since Adam and Eve sinned. **Matthew 8:16** 

When demons possess a person, they control that person's mind and project their supernatural power through that person's body. **Mark 5:1-5, 15** 

It was not until the day of Pentecost that the spiritual laws of God were changed and the Holy Ghost could now empower God's people, but he could also possess them and take control. **1 Corinthians 12:1-11** 

When a person is baptized in the Holy Ghost, He can use the body as a platform to project the Holy Ghost's power into a person that needs a healing. **Acts 3:1-9** 

When there is sin in the body of Christ, the Holy Ghost can speak through the person he possesses, provide discernment and project power to deal with the sin issue. **Acts 5:1-11** 

When Holy Ghost possessed men and women pray, it creates a direct passage to the Father in heaven, who will dispatch whatever is needed to answer the prayer request. **Acts 12:1-17** 

Not only was Peter set free, the hand of God moved and King Herod was killed by an angel. **verses 18-24** 

Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!

Do you have an ear to hear with?