

Our Hidden Advantage

Part 2: From The Beginning

Text: John 16:7 NKJV

THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

- From the beginning (***Genesis 1:1-2 NKJV***)
 1. Active in creation, which helps us understand how it was written
- The Holy Spirit's help for the nation of Israel (***Exodus 13:21-22 NKJV***)
 1. The Holy Spirit manifesting as fire was evident on the day of Pentecost
 2. The Holy Spirit manifesting as a cloud at the dedication of the temple
 3. The Lord led His people through the wilderness (***Numbers 9:15-17 NKJV***)
- We have a better covenant than the nation of Israel had
 1. Now we are the temple of God (***1 Corinthians 6:19 NKJV***)
- He was the empowering force behind the Old Testament "heroes"
 1. David was empowered before facing Goliath (***1 Samuel 16:13 NKJV***)
 2. Gideon progressed from hiding from the neighbors to leading a nation into battle
 3. Samson was able to do supernatural feats of strength (***Judges 14:6 NKJV***)
- He still empowers people today (***Acts 1:8 NKJV***)
 1. He equips us to face giants, move out of fear, and exhibit amazing strength
- The Holy Spirit was spoken about by the Old Testament prophets
 1. Isaiah described His characteristics (***Isaiah 11:2 NKJV***)
 2. Ezekiel spoke of a coming day, our current time (***Ezekiel 36:26-27 NKJV***)
 3. Joel spoke of the coming day and the Holy Spirit's outpouring (***Joel 2:28-29 NKJV***)