

I Samuel 20:6

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The Spirit of the Lord coming upon a person is a blessed privilege that brings transformation, empowerment, and assurance, making them a new creation in Christ.

Scripture: 1 Samuel 10:6, Joel 2:28

Topics: "Power of the Holy Spirit", "Transformation"

Description

Chuck Smith emphasizes the transformative power of the Holy Spirit in the life of a believer, highlighting that the Spirit of the Lord can come upon anyone, turning them into 'another man.' He explains that this privilege, once rare in the Old Testament, is now available to all through repentance and baptism. The sermon illustrates how the Spirit empowers individuals to prophesy, gain strength, wisdom, and perform miracles, ultimately leading to a profound change in nature and character. Smith reassures that with God's presence, believers can face trials with confidence, as God transforms weaknesses into strengths and failures into successes.

Transcript

"TURNED INTO ANOTHER MAN"

I. "THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD WILL COME UPON THEE."

A. What a belssed priviledge!

1. Think of it - God's Spirit upon man.
2. "Your body the temple of the Holy Spirit."

B. What a rare priviledge.

1. In O.T. times very few knew this blessing.
2. Moses desired it for the whole camp one 70 out of 2,000,000.
3. Joel prophesied of a coming day.
4. Peter bore witness to Joel's prophecy

C. This blessed experience is now for all of God's people. "Repent and be baptized in the name... etc."

II. THE EFFECTS OF THE COMING UPON OF THE SPIRIT.

A. "Ye shall prophesy with them."

1. This is just one of the manifestations.

a. With Sampson strength.

b. With Daniel wisdom and understanding.

c. With Elijah faith.

d. With Elisha miracles.

B. Thou shalt be turned into another man. The power of the Spirit to transform a life.

1. The idea of the power to change one's life has intrigued man.

a. In mythology magic potions.

b. Superman.

2. Men have endeavored to change.

a. Hypnosis.

b. Education.

c. Moving - "what kind of people live in this town."

d. "That which is born of the flesh is flesh."

1. Try as we may it is still flesh.

3. "Thou shalt be turned."

a. Not you will change yourself.

b. This is God's work "Turned."

c. Not a do it yourself, self improvement course.

d. He comes into the weak areas and makes them strong.

He comes into the bitter experiences and makes them

sweet. He comes into the defeats and makes them

victories. He comes to your failures and makes them a success.

e. The new man dominated by the Spirit.

f. A change of nature.

C. Assurance that "God is with thee."

1. "And if God be for me, who can be against me?"

2. How assuring when facing hard trial.

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