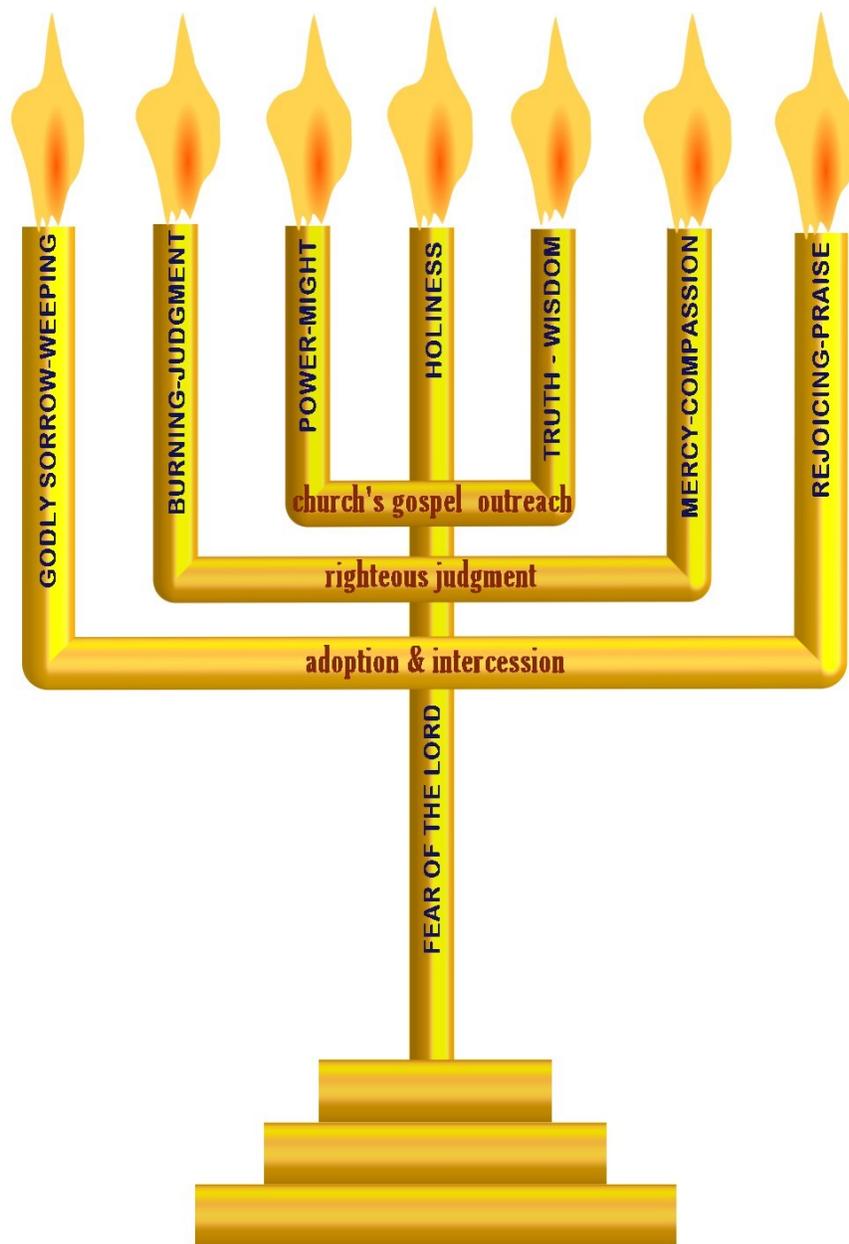


# Attributes of the Seven Spirits of God

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**The Seven Spirits of God - - Directed to Humanity on Earth - - Attributes of God's Character  
All Referenced in Scripture - - Interrelatedness of Individual Anointings - - Act Singly and in Polarity  
All are Supernatural, Heaven Empowered - - All Were Demonstrated in Christ's Anointed Ministry**

## 7 SPIRITS OF GOD -- 7 Divine Anointings

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### EACH OF THE 7 SPIRITS OF GOD ARE ACTIVE EXPRESSIONS OF GOD'S CHARACTER

**Revelation 1:4:** *John to the **seven** churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the **seven Spirits** which are before his throne;*

**Revelation 3:1:** *And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write; These things saith he that hath the **seven Spirits** of God, and the **seven** stars; I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead-*

**Revelation 4:** *And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were **seven** lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the **seven Spirits** of God.*

**Revelation 5:6:** *And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having **seven** horns and **seven** eyes, which are the **seven Spirits** of God sent forth into all the earth.*

The 7 Spirits of God are spoken of in the Book of Revelation as going forth through all the earth to affect God's purposes upon the earth. Throughout scripture there are various references to specific spirits sent by God to impact or anoint people. Some writers have focused on the messianic text of Isaiah 11 as the key to the 7 Spirits taken from a single location:

**(Isaiah 11:2)** *The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.*

Although it is convenient to assume this single text answers the identity of the seven spirits. I am not thoroughly persuaded that these comprise the seven Spirits. There remain so many other references throughout the Bible that seem to contend for spiritual anointings of God. So, I will offer my own list while maintaining an open mind toward this mystery until the day comes that the Lord gives me perfect clarity about this question. In the mean time, I do not think we should be dogmatic about an official list of the seven spirits but share the wisdom and insights as they are revealed by the Spirit of God.

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So lets continue with the exploration of God's seven anointings. These are sent out into the earth and represent God's connection and interaction with living human beings upon the earth. All of these are of a supernatural order. Each is thoroughly referenced in scripture. Each of these anointings are demonstrated by Jesus, The son of God.

Jeshua the Messiah ministered in the power of the spirit in the days of his earthly ministry. After his baptism by John he possessed the fullness of the Holy Spirit with which he ministered in his holy life and ministry.

These seven anointings are presented in no particular order. I believe, however that there seems to be a certain interaction which links pairs of these anointings as seen above in the graphic model of the menorah. So we see that these anointings act both singly and in harmony with others to impact human life. The Holy Spirit still ministers through Christ Jesus. However in this dispensation, Christ's ministry that is now performed through the agency of individual believers who are the members of his body.

## **The Spirit of Sorrow and Weeping**

*It is Godly SORROW that brings repentance*

*(The Spirit of Intercession and Travail)*

*I include this anointing as one of the 7 Spirits of God. It is relevant to the present fallen world;*

*Godly sorrow brings the fallen human race to repentance.*

*The day will one day come when heaven is fully manifested on earth and sorrow and sighing will pass away.*

### **Godly Sorrow**

**God's Spirit of Sorrow is at the center of *intercession*. It is travailing sorrow that results in the fruit of deliverance. It is the Spiritual device God uses in the supernatural *breaking of yokes*. The anointing takes upon itself to focus upon persons who are lost, in darkness, or under the binding power of Satan. The spirit of the Lord God is upon him to bring deliverance to those who are bound. (Isa. 61)**

**Christ our high priest in heaven is always touched by the feeling of our weakness or infirmities! The anointing of The Lord's sorrow is transferred to intercessors who travail for those who have been taken prey by spiritual enemies. While Jesus has and is come to seek and to save those who are lost, the Devil has come and will continue to come, to steal, kill, and destroy. Sorrow as an anointing is manifested by the Spirit giving voice to groaning and deep anguish beyond words. Tears of Godly sorrow brings forth repentance after it has had enough time to complete the Holy Spirit's work. The breaking and release is signaled by an out rushing of joy or**

**laughter.**

**One who is yielded to this Spirit of God begins to lament and travail and to be sorrowful as the Holy Spirit begins to initiate this anointing within. It can be faked or pretended, as it is occasionally, but then its power and usefulness are lost. A pretense of intercession is quickly discerned by those who can a working level of spiritual discernment. Any such act this is conducted as a pretense in merely a product of the flesh and religiosity. It produces no fruit. Though observable, deep anointings of intercession is not a 'skill' to be learned.**

**The anointing of Godly sorrow supercedes all personal cares and feelings. However, The Spirit of God will use personal sorrow as a starting point and turn it into Godly sorrow. Personal sorrow is directed self-ward, but Godly sorrow other-ward. Godly intercession interacts with several anointings; sorrow, joy, warring anger, praise and worship, according to the moving of the Spirit.**

**At the point of release spiritual sorrow will normally always end with joy and laughter.**

### **Scriptural Referances to the Sorrow of God**

*"Jesus wept." ( -- John 11:35)*

*"For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of: but the sorrow of the world worketh death." ( -- 2 Corinthians 7:10)*

*"Who hath heard such a thing? who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day? or shall a nation be born at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children." ( -- Isaiah 66:8)*

*"My little children, of whom I travail in birth again until Christ be formed in you," ( -- Galatians 4:19)*

*"And at the evening sacrifice I arose up from my heaviness; and having rent my garment and my mantle, I fell upon my knees, and spread out my hands unto the LORD my God," ( -- Ezra 9:5)*

*"Depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity; for the LORD hath heard the voice of my weeping." ( -- Psalms 6:8)*

*"The LORD hath heard my supplication; the LORD will receive my prayer." ( -- Psalms 6:9)*

*"For his anger endureth but a moment; in his favour is life: weeping may endure for a night, but joy cometh in the morning." ( -- Psalms 30:5)*

*"And in that day did the Lord GOD of hosts call to weeping, and to mourning, and to baldness, and to girding with sackcloth:" ( -- Isaiah 22:12)*

*"They shall come with weeping, and with supplications will I lead them: I will cause them to walk by the rivers of waters in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble:" ( -- Jeremiah 31:9)*

*"That I have great heaviness and continual sorrow in my heart." ( -- Romans 9:2)*

*"And he (Jesus) took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and very heavy." ( -- Matthew 26:37)*

*"And when he was come near, he beheld the city, and wept over it," ( -- Luke 19:41)*

*"Blessed are ye that hunger now: for ye shall be filled. Blessed are ye that weep now: for ye shall laugh." ( -- Luke 6:21)*

*"Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep." ( -- Romans 12:15)*

*"Verily, verily, I say unto you, That ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice: and ye shall be sorrowful, but your sorrow shall be turned into joy." ( -- John 16:20)*

*"A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow, because her hour is come: but as soon as she is delivered of the child, she remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world." ( -- John 16:21)*

*"For I have heard a voice as of a woman in travail, and the anguish as of her that bringeth forth her first child, the voice of the daughter of Zion, that bewaileth herself, that spreadeth her hands, saying, Woe is me now! for my soul is wearied because of murderers." ( -- Jeremiah 4:31)*

*"For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now." ( -- Romans 8:22)*

*"And not only they, but ourselves also, which have the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, waiting for the adoption, to wit, the redemption of our body." ( -- Romans 8:23)*

## **EXPRESSIONS OF GOD'S PERSONALITY OR NATURE**

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### **The Spirit of Holiness:**

(Worship and Holy Fear)

Though there are numerous listings of the Spirit of Holiness it is hard to account it strictly as an anointing. Where other anointings find expression in action and word, the spirit of Holiness finds expression in inaction and awed reverence. The closer we come to experiencing God face to face the more this power is revealed. God is Holy and so far above all that is human and mundane to be indescribable. The human 'son of man' who finds himself or herself in the proximity of God becomes as "one who is dead". In this state we do not think, we do not speak, we do not carry on with any of the normal human senses, we are incapacitated toward any action but fear and awe. God only releases us to return to the world of flesh and material limitations.

True Worship is encompassed by the Spirit of Holiness. There is little that any created or begotten creature can do in the manifested presence of God other than to fall before him in total "awe-full" submission.

The Spirit of Holiness provides understanding to the phrase "fear of the Lord." Encounters with the Lord as depicted by Ezekiel, Isaiah, John and others describe the son of man falling as dead in His presence, in the *Holy of Holies* His awesome power is manifested; no priest can stand to minister; the angels cry 'holy'.

The elders and patriots bow in surrender the earth trembles before him; every living thing waits breathlessly before Him in silence.

"And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead:" ( -- Romans 1:4)

"Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name: bring an offering, and come before him: worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness." ( -- 1 Chronicles 16:29)

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"And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory." ( -- Isaiah 6:3)

"Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts." ( -- Isaiah 6:5)

"Then I arose, and went forth into the plain: and, behold, the glory of the LORD stood there, as the glory which I saw by the river of Chebar: and I fell on my face." ( -- Ezekiel 3:23)

"And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not: I am the first and the last:" ( -- Revelation 1:17)

"The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying," -- Rev 4:10

"Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created." ( -- Revelation 4:11)

"Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing." ( -- Revelation 5:12)

The *anointings* of God await believers who desire to move deeper in God. Today many in Christian churches make no separation between the psychological realm, of mind and thought, and the spiritual. It is the power of God that fuels the spiritual while human abilities and efforts fuel the efforts of the natural man. Experiencing the Word of God in power is what the apostle's doctrine urges. God desires to manifest His virtue, thought, and powers through earthen vessels so that the excellence of manifestation may be attributed to God and not man.

The power of God through the Holy Spirit makes the experience of God's Holy presence a reality and supplies the child of God with a taste of that which is entirely from God. *No eye has seen nor hear has heard what God has prepared for those who love Him. But now it is revealed by the Holy Spirit.* - - *1 Corinthians 2:9*

## **The Spirit of Compassion:** **The Spirit of Adoption** *(The Tender Mercies of God the Father)*

The earnest of our inheritance is evidenced by this Love of God planted in our innermost being. This special planting of love and agape bears witness that we are in reality the Children of God

For the Lord is Good and His Mercies endure forever! The Goodness of God is the source of all grace and blessing. The Father's heart of forgiveness and compassion are revealed again and again throughout scripture and are at the center of all Jesus' ministry. Mercy, compassion, forgiveness; Mercy, compassion, healing; Mercy, compassion, restoration; Mercy, compassion, deliverance. The mercies of God directed to weak and fallible souls is the greatest wonder of the universe!

The simplicity of the phrase "tender mercies" reflects so powerfully the kindness of God, the Good Shepherd who cares for and nurtures his flock. The same father who

receives the prodigal and clothes him with a fine robe and prepares the fatted calf for feasting, fills our own cup to overflowing!

The kindness of God is expressed in the ministering hand a friend and comforter.

Agape love is the love which expresses itself in gestures of kindness, in actions of giving compassion. It is the heart of Jesus' ministry when He declares, "the Son of Man came not to be ministered to by to minister." Ministry in the Greek word source means simply to serve.

*"How excellent is thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings." (-- Psalms 36:7)*

*"Yet the LORD will command his lovingkindness in the daytime, and in the night his song shall be with me, and my prayer unto the God of my life." (-- Psalms 42:8)*

*"To the chief Musician, A Psalm of David, when Nathan the prophet came unto him, after He had gone in to Bathsheba. Have mercy upon me, O God, according to thy lovingkindness: according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my transgressions." (-- Psalms 51:1)*

*"Because thy lovingkindness is better than life, my lips shall praise thee." (-- Psalms 63:3)*

*"Withhold not thou thy tender mercies from me, O LORD: let thy lovingkindness and thy truth continually preserve me." -- Psalms 40:11*

*"Who redeemeth thy life from destruction; who crowneth thee with lovingkindness and tender mercies;" (-- Psalms 103:4)*

*"Let thy tender mercies come unto me, that I may live: for thy law is my delight." (-- Psalms 119:77)*

*"The LORD is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works." (-- Psalms 145:9)*

*"But though he cause grief, yet will he have compassion according to the multitude of his mercies." (-- Lamentations 3:32)*

*"He will turn again, he will have compassion upon us; he will subdue our iniquities; and thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea." (-- Micah 7:19)*

*"But when he saw the multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them, because they fainted, and were scattered abroad, as sheep having no shepherd." (-- Matthew 9:36)*

*"And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and he healed their sick." (-- Matthew 14:14)*

*"Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellow servant, even as I had pity on thee?" (-- Matthew 18:33)*

*"So Jesus had compassion on them, and touched their eyes: and immediately their eyes received sight, and they followed him." (-- Matthew 20:34)*

*"But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was: and when he saw him, he had compassion on him," (-- Luke 10:33)*

*"Finally, be ye all of one mind, having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be pitiful, be courteous:" (-- 1 Peter 3:8)*

*"For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things." (-- 1 John 3:20)*

*"And there came a leper to him, beseeching him, and kneeling down to him, and saying unto him, If thou wilt, thou canst make me clean." "And Jesus, moved with compassion, put forth his hand, and touched him, and saith unto him, I will; be thou clean." (-- Mark 1:40,41)*

THE ENTIRETY OF THE NEW TESTAMENT  
IS A TESTAMONY TO THE LOVE AND MERCY OF GOD

It is also true that those who love are born of God. This is the evidence of the divine

work within. That new commandment which expresses that God is love and they who love are bearing evidence that they possess the down payment of the spiritual inheritance the Christ spoke of. Love one another, by this you will know that you are my disciples. You can judge those who are Christians by their love.

### **The Spirit of Praise and Rejoicing: (The Spirit of Joy )**

*I have found a surprising spiritual link between certain God sent anointings, some seem to be opposites such as sorrow and joy. The anointings appear to be interconnected. The Holy Spirit turns mourning into dancing, heaviness into praise, weeping into rejoicing. This phenomenon is experienced by those who have a ministry of spiritual intercession. There is a point in the cycle of the Holy Spirit's travail when tears of sorrow and sobbing turn into victory and darkness turns into the breaking dawn of hope with accompanying lightness and joy. Therefore joy and sorrow are bonded pairs and work interactively with one another.*

*Joy is not a human emotion on this level but an anointed expression of the Spirit. Thanksgiving and praise follow breakthroughs of the Spirit. Holy laughter an event sometimes ridiculed by those who have not experienced it is a recognized part of the richness of finding victory in our spiritual life.*

*When we are anointed with the Spirit of Joy, a vast separation is manifested between the material and the spiritual world; cares and heaviness give way to confidence. We sense that God is our total victory and that He will never leave us nor forsake us. Our hearts are lifted up to the high places where we all sit with Him in heavenly places!*

*"Thou loves righteousness, and hates wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows."(-- Psalms 45:7)*

*"To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion, to give unto them beauty for ashes, the oil of joy for mourning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; " ( -- Isaiah 61:3)*

*"So that the people could not discern the noise of the shout of joy from the noise of the weeping of the people: for the people shouted with a loud shout, and the noise was heard afar off."( -- Ezra 3:13)*

*"Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; Thou shalt make me full of joy with thy countenance." ( -- Acts 2:28)*

*"Thou wilt show me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore."( -- Psalms 16:11)*

*"Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing: Thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness;"(-- Psalms 30:11)*

*"And David danced before the LORD with all his might; and David was girded with a linen ephod." (-- 2 Samuel 6:14)*

## **EXPRESSIONS OF GOD'S PERSONALITY OR NATURE**

### **The Spirit of Judgment:**

#### ***Spirit of Burning***

*(The Zeal of God is as a Consuming Fire)*

The study of the "Zeal of God" encompasses the entire domain of God's anger, wrath and judgment and those upon whom it is directed. In the time of the Old Covenant we see prophets and judges who exercised God's judgment against the unrighteous nations. These idolatrous, wicked nations served demon gods. Almighty God commanded their destruction.

The dispensation of Grace began the Times of the Gentiles. It is the time of the open door. It is the time of gathering of the gentiles who it was prophesied would partake of the covenant offered previously only to Israel and the Jews. It was a time that was spoken many Old Testament prophets, especially Isaiah. It was also declared at the time that Jesus (Jeshua) was brought to the temple in Jerusalem for his dedication.

Luke 2:29 (The prophecy of Simeon) *Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: 30For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, 31Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; 32A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.*

After Jesus' earthly ministry, the dispensation of the church age began. Jesus was crucified as the passover lamb. 50 days following this passover the disciples gathered in the temple awaiting pentecost. The church was born with the outpouring of power. Thereafter the body of Christ took on a different form. The body was comprised of many individual members all of whom are born supernaturally into the body by God's selection.

With the introduction of the dispensation of grace, the church refocused its spiritual enemies, these were spiritual wickedness in heavenly places and not literal human ones. The harsh demands and penalties of the law were discarded as well. Jesus was named as "our passover, crucified for us."

We of this covenant no longer come against people who act wickedly. The Lord's example was to forgive and bless those who do evil.

Yet we see the Spirit of Judgment and zeal demonstrated by Jesus. It was however, directed against those in the world of religion who withstood the Spirit of God. The

cleansing of the temple accounts reflects the zeal of God. Jesus on more than one occasion lashed out against the one group that brought out that spirit of zeal most often; the blind guides and hypocrites of formal religion, typified by the Pharisees. We call this kind of anointing **righteous anger**.

Now while our enemies are revealed to be spiritual and not in flesh, prayers of imprecation (asking for vengeance and destruction of our enemies) as spoken by the prophets and psalmist are appropriate only if targeted to spiritual rulership in heavenly places and not against human beings.

But the day is coming when the church age, the age of Christ will end. The time of the gentiles will have an end. The fullness of the gentiles will have occurred. The age of grace and the open door will close and the focus will once again address God's old covenant people, Israel, the Jews.

Take some time to look up in the Old Testament any referances to the Gentiles. When the prophets of Israel spoke of the gentiles who were to come into the covenant, there was no real understanding of the agency that would cause it happen. This was a mystery that Paul was given to understand. I will not include those passages here.

*"When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning." ( -- Isaiah 4:4)*

*"And for a spirit of judgment to him that sitteth in judgment, and for strength to them that turn the battle to the gate." ( -- Isaiah 28:6)*

*"But truly I am full of power by the spirit of the LORD, and of judgment, and of might, to declare unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin." ( -- Micah 3:8)*

*"For the zeal of thine house hath eaten me up; and the reproaches of them that reproached thee are fallen upon me." ( -- Psalms 69:9)*

*"Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this." ( -- Isaiah 9:7)*

*"My zeal hath consumed me, because mine enemies have forgotten thy words." ( -- Psalms 119:139)*

*"Thus shall mine anger be accomplished, and I will cause my fury to rest upon them, and I will be comforted: and they shall know that I the LORD have spoken it in my zeal, when I have accomplished my fury in them." ( -- Ezekiel 5:13)*

*"When the Lord shall have washed away the filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of Jerusalem from the midst thereof by the spirit of judgment, and by the spirit of burning." ( -- Isaiah 4:4)*

# Spirit of Might and Power:

## Miraculous Power of Creation and Resurrection Power

*"And you shall receive dunamis power after the Holy Spirit is come"*

*Strong's No.1411. dunamis, doo'-nam-is; from G1410; force (lit. or fig.); spec. miraculous power (usually by impl. a miracle itself):--ability, abundance, meaning, might (-ily, -y, -y deed), (worker of) miracle (-s), power, strength, violence, mighty (wonderful) work*

### The Anointing of Power

God is a God of Power and Might. By the Word of God the worlds are created. By His word the creation stands. He commands life to be and it is. The greatness of God is fathomless. His power to us who believe is beyond comprehension. What is this powerful attribute of God which raised Jesus from the dead? What is the power which can create the miraculous? With a word He will call the sleeping dead to arise from their graves and will quicken mortal bodies.

Paul writes in his letter to Corinth, *I did not come to you with enticing words of man's wisdom but with demonstration of the Spirit and with Power*. Elsewhere Paul declares that the Gospel is the Power of God to all who believe. Believers are transformed into something new, a new kind of creation through the power of God. All of the anointings have something to do with the power of God acting on our behalf. In Corinthians Chapter 12 there are 3 Power gifts named that have miraculous results: **the gift of Faith; the gifts of Healings; the gift of Miracles.**

### Men of power were anointed in Strength:

Men of power cited in the Old Testament:

*"And the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and he rent him as he would have rent a kid, and he had nothing in his hand:." -- Judges 14:6*

*"And the spirit of the LORD came upon him, and he went down to Ashkelon, and slew thirty men of them, and took their spoil, " -- Judges 14:19*

*"And when he came unto Lehi, the Philistines shouted against him: and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and the cords that were upon his arms became as flax that was burnt with fire, and his bands loosed from off his hands." (-- Judges 15:14)*

*"But truly I am full of power by the spirit of the LORD, and of judgment, and of might, to declare unto Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin." ( -- Micah 3:8)*

*"Jesus saith unto him, Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you, Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power(dunamai), and coming in the clouds of heaven." (-- Matthew 26:64)*

*"Now to him that is of power to establish you according to my Gospel, and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery, which was kept secret since the world began," (-- Romans 16:25)*

*"And my speech and my preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power:" ( 1 Corinthians 2:4)*

*"Knowing that he which raised up the Lord Jesus shall raise up us also by Jesus, and shall present us with you."( 2 Corinthians 4:14)\_*

*That I might know Him in the power of His resurrection-" (Phillipians 3:10)*

## 7 SPIRITS OF GOD

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### THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH

The 7 Spirits of God are spoken of in the Book of Revelation as going forth through all the earth to affect God's purposes: Throughout scripture there are various references to specific spirits sent by God to impact or anoint people. Some writers have focused on the messianic text of Isaiah 11 as the key to the 7 Spirits taken from one single location:

*(Isaiah 11:2) The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him, The Spirit of wisdom and understanding, The Spirit of counsel and might, The Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.*

## Expressions of God's Nature

### The Spirit of Wisdom and Understanding: *(The Spirit of Truth)*

To truly discern is to know the mind and heart of God. To have this heart within you, is to possess a guiding light of wisdom and knowledge that discerns and knows things which are given by God and those things which issue from this fallen world. In this anointing we know of certainty that God is our Father; and that the Bible is his divine voice speaking the word of truth. By this anointing we know that we are aliens and sojourners among a people of unclean hearts and lips. We know that the human voices in words written or spoken, are more often than not speaking from personal vanity and not from divine revelation. But upon occasion we also discern who is of God and who is seeking his own gain. We know whether a righteous man be sent from God or whether a prophet be sent to us from God carrying an enlightened message from heaven. Those who discern receive a righteous man's reward or a prophet's reward.

The Lord Jesus has announced to his disciples (Both then and now, as we are truly his disciples if we believe on His name and continue in his work.) He announces that he would send us a comforter, a teacher a *paraletus* who should come to our side. Jesus refers to this helper as "the Spirit of Truth."

It is this spirit of wisdom, truth, and understanding who is the Holy voice of the witness, the Great Amen, the voice of the Good Shepherd in John 10: v 4. "And thou shalt speak unto all that are wise hearted, whom I have filled with the spirit of wisdom, that they may make Aaron's garments to consecrate him, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office." ( -- Exodus 28:3)

*"And I have filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, and in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship," (-- Exodus 31:3)*

*"And I, behold, I have given with him Aholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan: and in the hearts of all that are wise hearted I have put wisdom, that they may make all that I have commanded thee;" (-- Exodus 31:6)*

*"And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom; for Moses had laid his hands upon him: and the children of Israel hearkened unto him, and did as the LORD commanded Moses." (-- Deuteronomy 34:9)*

*"And the spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;"(-- Isaiah 11:2)*

*"That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give unto you the spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:" (-- Ephesians 1:17)*

*"And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you for ever;" (-- John 14:16)*

*"Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you." (-- John 14:17)*

*"But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father, He shall testify of me:" -- John 15:26*