

THE FRAILITY OF MAN, THE POWER OF THE SPIRIT

(The Work of the Spirit)

I am starting this study over as the Lord has shown me to cover this important topic as a Bible study and not a book review.

With God's help and by the power of the Holy Spirit this is not only going to be a profound study, but one that will give insight to the purpose of life in a way you have never realized before. Therefore please do a careful study and preparation, being ready to share the insight the Lord gives you.

In this chapter I am taking a new and fresh approach to our study on the frailty of man and the power of the Spirit. Rather than simply going through the outline I am going to approach this topic from the beginning of scripture rather than simply a topic. The Holy Spirit has been at work since the beginning, and as we will see understanding His beginning work will help us to understand His continuing, and finished work. Always keep in mind the title of the study; *The Frailty of Man, The Power Of The Spirit*. What we are not capable of accomplishing in the flesh the Holy Spirit can accomplish through a submissive heart.

To properly understand the work of the Holy Spirit in our life we must understand His place in the Godhead. There are three persons in the singular Godhead, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. My personal feeling is that we will never fully understand the Godhead until we are with Him. We know that God the Father sent the Son into this world as our redeemer, but also remember God the Father created our known universe through God the Son. But was God the Son who sent God the Holy Spirit to dwell in us. Consider these verses and give your understanding of the work of the three persons of the Godhead; Gen 1:1-3; John 1:2-5; John 3:16-17; John 16:7-8; Matt 1:18; Luke 11:13; John 14:26-27; Acts 1:8; Matt 28:19; _____

Do a careful study of the Person and Work of the Holy Spirit noting the difference between His operation in us before and after the resurrection of Jesus Christ: **Gen 1:48; Ex28:3; Judges 3:10, 6:34; I Sam 10:10; Acts 1:8; Acts 2:34:** _____

Why wasn't the Holy Spirit able to indwell man until after the sacrifice of Jesus Christ? (**1 John 1:7**)

Read; **Gen 1:1-2** carefully, even taking notes on what that portion is telling you about the Holy Spirit's Work right at the beginning. _____

God created all things that His special creation, man would have the living environment necessary for human life. All of God's creation, even the angels worship God

continually, but man is His only creation that was formed to have fellowship with Him, he is the only one of His creation that it is said was created in Him image. When we understand the uniqueness of man in God's creation we can understand the importance of His Holy Spirit in not only bringing us into that fellowship, but guiding and strengthening us to continue in that fellowship.

Do some study and give your understanding of this statement; _____

Why do you think carnal man has denied the creation account with such theories as the gap theory (*millions of years between the days of creation*), the theory of evolution stating that either nothing exploded and chaos evolved into order giving us our natural universe, or the alien deposit theory which believes aliens seeded the earth, and it grew and evolved into what we see today?

Why do you think the unbelieving world hates God so intensely? (*John 15:18-19; I John 3:13-15*)

Compare the Holy Spirit's work in creation of man and the natural universe, to the special creation of the Holy Spirit in making us a new man. (**2 Cor 5:17**: *Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.* **Gal 6:15**: *For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but a new creation.*)
