

# 40 DAYS WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

## "Breathing More Than Air"

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### Sermon Outline Notes

*Then the LORD God formed a man from the dust of the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being. Genesis 2:7*

### Life begins with THE BREATH OF GOD

### But Intimacy with God comes from BREATHING IN THE SPIRIT

*For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. Romans 8:14*

#### I. Ecclesiastes 3:19:22 NCV Preacher

**The same thing happens to animals and to people; they both have the same breath, so they both die. People are no better off than the animals, because everything is useless.<sup>20</sup> Both end up the same way; both came from dust and both will go back to dust. <sup>21</sup> Who can be sure that the human spirit goes up to God and that the spirit of an animal goes down into the ground? <sup>22</sup> So I saw that the best thing people can do is to enjoy their work, because that is all they have. No one can help another person see what will happen in the future.**

### Breathing In The Spirit BEGINS WITH EXPECTATION

*It stands to reason, doesn't it, that if the alive-and-present God who raised Jesus from the dead moves into your life, he'll do the same thing in you that he did in Jesus, bringing you alive to himself? When God lives and breathes in you (and he does, as surely as he did in Jesus), you are delivered from that dead life. With his Spirit living in you, your body will be as alive as Christ's! Romans 8:10-11 MSG*

#### II. Job 32:18-20 & 33:3-6 Elihu

**For I am full of words, and the spirit within me compels me; <sup>19</sup> inside I am like bottled-up wine, like new wineskins ready to burst. <sup>20</sup> I must**

33:3 speak and find relief; I must open my lips and reply... <sup>33:3</sup> My words come from an upright heart; my lips sincerely speak what I know. <sup>4</sup> The Spirit of God has made me; the breath of the Almighty gives me life. <sup>5</sup> Answer me then, if you can; stand up and argue your case before me. <sup>6</sup> I am the same as you in God's sight; I too am a piece of clay.

### **Breathing In The Spirit DEVELOPS DISCERNMENT**

*But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come. - John 16:13*

#### **III. Job 27:1-6 Job**

**And Job continued his discourse:** <sup>2</sup> “As surely as God lives, who has denied me justice, the Almighty, who has made my life bitter, <sup>3</sup> as long as I have life within me, the breath of God in my nostrils, <sup>4</sup> my lips will not say anything wicked, and my tongue will not utter lies. <sup>5</sup> I will never admit you are in the right; till I die, I will not deny my integrity. <sup>6</sup> I will maintain my innocence and never let go of it; my conscience will not reproach me as long as I live.

### **Breathing In The Spirit STIRS HOPE**

*May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. - Romans 15:13*

#### **IV. Daniel 5:11-12 Daniel - Gifting, Wisdom, and Faithfulness**

**There is a man in your kingdom who has the spirit of the holy gods in him. In the time of your father he was found to have insight and intelligence and wisdom like that of the gods. Your father, King Nebuchadnezzar, appointed him chief of the magicians, enchanters, astrologers and diviners. <sup>12</sup> He did this because Daniel, whom the king called Belteshazzar, was found to have a keen mind and knowledge and understanding, and also the ability to interpret dreams, explain riddles and solve difficult problems. Call for Daniel, and he will tell you what the writing means.”**

### **Breathing In The Spirit RESULTS IN GOD'S POWER BEING DEMONSTRATED THROUGH US**

*There are many amazing working gifts in the church, but it is the same God who energizes them all in all who have the gifts.<sup>7</sup> Each believer has received a gift that manifests the Spirit's power and presence. That gift is*

*given for the good of the whole community. 1 Corinthians 12:6-7 VOICE*