

THE RUACH HAKODESH – PART 1

Part 1 — Shavuot Review

- The historical fulfillment was the giving of the Torah at Mount Sinai
- The Messianic fulfillment is the pouring out of the Ruach HaKodesh (Holy Spirit) in Acts 2
- The spiritual application is our receiving of the Ruach HaKodesh and having the Torah written on our hearts

In this study we are going to:

- Do a comparison of Exodus 19 & Acts 2
- Allow the Scriptures to define several terms especially Ruach / Spirit
- Come to a more accurate and true understanding of the Ruach HaKodesh
- Connect all of the dots to explain what it means to be “Immersed” in the Ruach HaKodesh

Mat 3:11 “...He shall immerse you in the Set-apart Spirit and Fire”

- Immersion in water – Cleansing / Status change
 - Immersion in the Ruach HaKodesh – Instruction in Torah
 - Immersion in fire – Testing the Status change and the walking
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Part 2 — A Comparison of Exodus 19 & Acts 2

Exo 19:16-20 — the receiving of the Torah

- Verse 16 - “**thunders**” *qolot* = the calling aloud; of voices or sounds; thundering voices
- Qolot* appears over 500 times in the TaNaKH
 - About 85% of the time it is translated “**voice**”
 - The rest of the time it is translated – “**noise, sound or thunder**”
 - Examples of “voice”— **Gen 3:8, 10, 17**
 - Examples of “**noise & sound**” — **1 Kings 1:40-41**
- Verse 16 - “**lightnings**” *varaqim* — appears 21 times
 - 14 times — lightning
 - 7 times — glittering, flashing

Exo 20:18-20 – the people **SAW** the **thunderings/qolot** & the **lightnings/lappidim** (lamp or flame)



Now with this foundation let's read Acts 2:1-4

In **verse 2** the word “**sound**” is the Greek word *Echos* (ay'-khos)

- *Echos* (ay'-khos) = a loud or confused noise ("echo"), i.e. roar

In **verse 2** the word “**wind**” is the Greek word *Pnoe* (pno-ay')

- *Pnoe* (pno-ay') = respiration, a breeze, breath, wind

In **verse 2** the word “**mighty**” is the Greek word *Biaios* (bee'-ah-yos)

- *Biaios* (bee'-ah-yos) = violent, mighty

In **verse 3** the word “**tongues**” is the Greek word *Glossai* (gloce-sah)

- *Glossai* (gloce-sah) = the tongue literally, a language

In **verse 3** the word “**fire**” is the Greek word *Pur* (poor)

- *Pur* (poor) = "fire" (literally or figuratively, specifically, lightning)

In **verse 4** the words “**Set-Apart Spirit**” are the Greek words *Pneumatos and Hagios*

- *Pneumatos* (pnyoo-mah) = a current of air, breath/blast, breeze
 - A spirit, the rational soul, mental disposition
- *Hagios* (hag-ee-os) = sacred, pure, morally blameless, consecrated

Part 3 — What Is Ruach / Spirit?

Ruach

- Wind, breeze, breath, an exhalation
- Soul - the spiritual or immaterial part of a human being or animal, regarded as immortal
 - Different from “nephesh” which means living creature
 - the essence or embodiment of a specified quality.
- Essence - the intrinsic nature or indispensable quality of something, especially something abstract, that determines its character

Pneuma

- a current of air, i.e. breath (blast) or a breeze
- by analogy or figuratively, a spirit, i.e. (human) the rational soul
- mental disposition

Ruach / Spirit is wind

Gen 8:1 — the word-translated “wind” is ruach

Exo 10:13 — the word-translated “wind” is ruach

1 Kings 19:9-11 — the word translated “wind” is ruach

Ruach / Spirit is breath

2 Samuel 22:16 — The word translated “breath of” is ruach

Isa 30:27-28 — The word translated “breath” is ruach

Job 9:16-18 — The word translated “breath” is ruach

Ruach / Spirit is our Essence / Intrinsic Nature / Mental Disposition

Gen 41:8 — Pharaoh’s disposition was moved/troubled due to the dreams

Gen 41:38 — Pharaoh recognizes the intrinsic nature / mental disposition of Elohim in Joseph

Exo 28:2-3 — those filled with the intrinsic nature / mental disposition of wisdom

Exo 35:21 — those whose intrinsic nature / mental disposition moved them to bring a contribution

Num 5:29-30 — when a man has an intrinsic nature / mental disposition of jealousy

Deut 2:30 — Yahweh hardened his intrinsic nature / mental disposition to not let them pass

Part 4 — The 3 Most Influential Spirits (intrinsic natures / mental dispositions)

1. The spirit in man
2. The spirit of HaSatan
3. The Ruach HaKodesh, Holy Spirit of Elohim