

The **Spirit of YAHWEH** is **HIS** divine characteristics, attributes or HIS very essence. **HIS Spirit**, also called the **Spirit of YAHWEH** in the eleventh chapter of Isaiah, was to rest upon the one that the prophet Isaiah called the "Branch." In verses one through four, there are seven basic attributes or characteristics of **YAHWEH**. They are: **HIS Wisdom**, **HIS Understanding**, **HIS Counsel**, **HIS Might**, **HIS Knowledge**, **HIS Reverence**, **and HIS Righteousness**. These seven attributes of **YAHWEH** are collectively called the Spirit of **YAHWEH**.

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Isa. (1) And there shall come forth a rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots: (2) And the Spirit of YAHWEH shall rest upon Him, the spirit of WISDOM and UNDERSTANDING, the spirit of COUN-SEL and MIGHT, the spirit of KNOWLEDGE and of the fear of YAHWEH; (3) And shall make **Him** of quick understanding in the FEAR [properly translated as "REVERENCE"] of YAHWEH: and He shall not judge after the sight of His eyes, neither reprove after the hearing of **His** ears: (4) But with righteousness shall He judge the poor, and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth: and He shall smite the earth with the rod of His mouth, and with the breath of His lips shall He slay the

These seven basic attributes of **YAHWEH** are portrayed as seven eyes on a stone and as seven lamps on a candlestick (menowrah) in a vision from **YAHWEH**. That vision was seen by Zechariah the prophet. The vision of the seven eyes on the stone and the seven lamps on the menowrah concerned the bringing forth of the "Branch" and the "Headstone." In the first part of the vision, Zechariah saw the stone with seven eyes.

Zec.. 3 (8) Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, thou, and thy fellows that sit before thee: for they *are* men wondered at: for, behold, I will bring forth MY Servant the Branch. (9) For behold the stone that I have laid before Joshua; upon one stone *shall be* seven eyes: behold, I will engrave the graving thereof, saith YAHWEH of Hosts, and I will remove the iniquity of that land in one day.

Before the first part of the vision was explained to Zechariah, he saw a menowrah with seven lamps upon it. The lamps were called the eyes of **YAHWEH**.

Zec. 4 (1) And the angel that talked with me came again, and waked me, as a man that is wakened out of his sleep, (2) And said unto me, What seest thou? And I said, I have looked, and behold a candlestick [menowrah] all of gold, with a bowl upon the top of it, and his seven lamps thereon, and seven pipes to the seven lamps, which are upon the top thereof: (3) And two olive trees by it, one upon the right side of the bowl, and the other upon the left side thereof. (4) So I answered and spake to the angel that talked with me, saying, What are these, my Sovereign? ... (10) For who hath despised the day of small things? For they shall rejoice, and shall see the plummet in the hand of Zerubbabel with those seven; they are the eyes of **YAHWEH**, which run to and fro through the whole earth.

The two olive trees, the anointed ones, portrayed YAHWEH'S law and HIS testimony. HIS law and HIS testimony are always with him and should always be with HIS people. (How could one tell who YAHWEH'S people are, if HIS people do not have HIS law and HIS testimony?)

Zec. 4 (11) Then answered I, and said unto him, What *are* these two olive trees upon the right *side* of the candlestick [menowrah] and upon the left *side* thereof?... (14) Then said he, These *are* the two anointed ones, that stand by the **Sovereign** of the whole earth.





The seven eyes on the stone and the seven lamps on the candlestick signified the seven basic characteristics or attributes of YAH-WEH. The olive trees represented the guidelines in which YAHWEH'S Spirit operates, that is, within the guidelines of HIS law and HIS testimony. The message was that the bringing forth of the "Branch" and the "Headstone" was not by human might nor power, but by YAHWEH'S Spirit. In other words, the "Branch" and the "Headstone" would be brought forth by YAHWEH'S Spirit and according to the teaching in the law and according to YAHWEH'S testimony through the Prophets.

Zec. (6) Then he answered and spake unto me, saying, This *is* **The Word of YAHWEH** unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by [human] might, nor by [human] power, but by **MY** spirit, saith **YAHWEH** of hosts.

YAHshua, the Branch, the Headstone (the Chief Cornerstone) truly had the same Spirit (characteristics or attributes) of YAHWEH. At the beginning of His public ministry, He quotes the following two verses, but they are translated from the Greek somewhat differently in YAHshua's first century followers' writings. Although the two translations are worded differently, they both have the same meaning.

Isa. 61 (1) The Spirit of My Sovereign YAH-WEH is upon Me; because YAHWEH hath anointed Me to preach good tidings unto the meek; HE hath sent Me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; (2) To proclaim the acceptable year of YAHWEH, and the day of vengeance of our Elohim; to comfort all that mourn;

Luke 4 (18) The Spirit of My Sovereign YAHWEH, is upon Me, because HE hath anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, (19) To preach the acceptable year of YAHWEH. (20) And He closed the book, and He gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on Him. (21)

And **He** began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.

YAHWEH'S sevenfold Holy Spirit is also called the Spirits of **YAHWEH**, and HIS seven spirits are portrayed in Revelation 4:5 as seven lamps. They are also represented, in Revelation 5:6, as seven horns and seven eyes on the Lamb.

Rev. 4 (5) 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 **YAHWEH**.

Rev. 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 **YAHWEH** sent forth into all the earth.

Notice how the seven lamps, the seven horns and seven eyes on the Lamb, the seven eyes on the stone, and the seven lamps on the candlestick represent the same Spirit of **YAHWEH** that rested upon the Branch (chapter eleven of Isaiah). They all signified the sevenfold Spirit of **YAHWEH**.

Wisdom and Understanding (the first two of **YAHWEH'S** attributes or characteristics named in Isaiah 11:1-4) are personified as female persons.

Pro. 1 (20) Wisdom crieth without; she uttereth her voice in the streets: (21) She crieth in the chief place of concourse, in the openings of the gates: in the city she uttereth her words, *saying*:

Pro. 2 (3) Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding; (4) If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures; (5) Then shalt thou understand the fear [reverence] of YAHWEH, and find the knowledge of [YAHWEH] Elohim.

Pro. 7 (4) Say unto Wisdom, Thou *art* my sister; and call Understanding *thy* kinswoman:

Pro. 8 (1) Doth not wisdom cry? And understanding put forth her voice? (2) She standeth in the top of high places, by the way in the





places of the paths. (3) She crieth at the gates, at the entry of the city, at the coming in at the doors.

Pro. 9 (1) Wisdom hath builded her house, she hath hewn out her seven pillars: (2) She hath killed her beasts; she hath mingled her wine; she hath also furnished her table. (3) She hath sent forth her maidens: she crieth upon the highest places of the city,

Does anyone believe that Wisdom and Understanding are female persons? Of course not! Then why should anyone believe that the Holy Spirit (YAHWEH'S collective seven characteristics or attributes, including Wisdom and Understanding) be understood as a male third person of a trinity? If the Holy Spirit is a male third person of a trinity, as many people have been falsely taught, would it be lawful for the Spirit to sire a child with a woman already espoused to a husband? Absolutely not! According to the scriptures, **YAHshua** was conceived in the womb of His mother by the Holy Spirit. Mat. 1 (20) But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of YAHWEH appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit.

YAHWEH with HIS Reverence for life, HIS Wisdom, HIS Understanding, HIS Righteousness, HIS Counsel, HIS Knowledge, and HIS Power, created a new life to begin in Miriam's womb by the same method he used in the Creation. According to Psalms 33:6-9, He SPOKE the word and it was DONE!

Psa. 33 (6) By **The Word of YAHWEH** were the heavens made; and all the host of them by the breath of **HIS** mouth. (7) **HE** gathereth the waters of the sea together as an heap: **HE** layeth up the depth in storehouses. (8) Let all the earth fear **YAHWEH**: let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of **Him**. (9) For **he** spake, and it was *done*; **HE** commanded, and it stood fast.

Did YAHshua intend to personify the Holy Spirit as a person or as some other living being? Or was it the decision of the translators that chose to translate it as a male third person

of a trinity?

The word "Personify" does not always mean to represent as a person as can be seen in meaning number 1, 3, and 4 as seen in <u>The American Heritage Dictionary</u>.

Per-son-I-fy (p...r-s¹/₄n"...-f^o") tr.v. per·soni-fied, per·son·i·fy·ing, per·son·i·fies. 1. To think of or represent (an inanimate object or abstraction) as having personality or the qualities, thoughts, or movements of a living being: "To make history or psychology alive I personify it" (Anaïs Nin). 2. To represent (an object or abstraction) by a human figure. 3. To represent (an abstract quality or idea): This character personifies evil. 4. To be the embodiment or perfect example of: "Stalin now personified bolshevism in the eyes of the world" (A.J.P. Taylor). [French personnifier, from personne, person, from Old French persone. See PERSON.] --per·son"i·fi"er.

In the Gospel of John, the Holy Spirit is personified as the Comforter and the Spirit of Truth. Many people falsely believe that this Comforter or Spirit of Truth is a person because many translators incorrectly believed that the Holy Spirit was a third person of a trinity, so they translated the Greek word # 846 as "he." Word # 846 can be translated as "he," "we," "she," "it," or "they." According to Thayer's Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament, the word # (846) translated as "he" simply means as follows:

"In itself it signifies nothing more than again, applied to what has either been previously mentioned or, when the whole discourse is looked at, must necessarily be supplied."

YAHshua was the Apostles' Comforter while He was still with them. What could possibly be more comforting to them and all those whom YAHWEH would call than to be immersed in HIS Knowledge, HIS Wisdom, HIS Understanding, HIS Counsel, HIS Might or Power, HIS Reverence and HIS Righteousness?

The Sacred Scriptures, Bethel Edition, translates the following verses correctly.

John 14 (15) If ye love me, you will keep My





commandments. (16) And I will pray the FA-THER, and HE shall give you another Comforter, that it may be with you for ever; (17) even the Spirit of truth; that the world cannot receive, for it beholds it not, neither knows it: you know it; for it remains with you, and shall be in you.

John 14 (25) These things have I spoken to you, while yet remaining with you. (26) But the Comforter, even the Holy Spirit, which the FATHER will send in My name, it shall teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you.

John 15 (26) But when the Comforter has come, which I will send to you from the FATHER, even the Spirit of truth, which proceeds from the FATHER, it shall bear witness of Me:

John 16 (7) Nevertheless I tell you the truth; it is expedient for you that I go away: for if I do not go away, the Comforter will not come to you; but if I go, I will send it to you. (8) And it, when it has come, will convict the world in respect of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: (9) of sin, because they believe not on Me; (10) of righteousness, because I go to the **FATHER**, and ye behold **Me** no more; (11) of judgment, because the prince of this world has been judged. (12) I have yet many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. (13) However, when it, the Spirit of truth, has come, it shall guide you into all the truth: for it shall not speak of itself; but whatever things it shall hear, these it shall speak: and it shall declare to you the things to come. (14) It shall glorify Me: for it shall take of Mine, and shall declare it unto you. (15) All things whatever the **FATHER** has are **Mine**: therefore said I, that he [it] shall take of mine, and shall show it unto you.

If one cannot understand an object or abstract rather than a person showing, speaking, teaching, declaring bearing witness, testifying, crying, and uttering speech as used in the Scriptures, take a look at the examples below.

Gen. 4:10 > The voice of blood cries out. Lev 14:54 > Law to teach

Job 12:7-8 > Beast and earth teach, fowl tell,

and fishes declare.

Psa 84:2 > Heart and flesh cries

Is 59:12 > Sins testify

Jer 14:7 > Iniquities testify.

ohn 5:39 > Scriptures bear witness.

John 10:25 > Works bear witness.

Rom 10:6 > Righteousness says.

1 Cor 3:13 > Day shall declare, fire reveal and prove.

Heb 12:5 > Exhortation reasons.

Heb 12:24 > Blood of sprinkling speaks.

Does I John 5:7 belong in the Holy Scriptures or is it a product of the Babylonian Mystery religion that has spread to all nations the pagan trinity doctrine under many different names and forms and then added to the corrupted church's doctrine to entice the pagans that came into the church by the thousands many centuries ago? This is very controversial, but one might be wise to investigate.

I John 5:6-9 was translated in the King James version of the Bible with words that are not found in many other versions of the Holy Bible. I will underline those words.

I John 5: (6) This is **He** that came by water and blood, even **YAHshua Messiah**; not by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit that beareth witness, because the Spirit is truth. (7) For there are three that bear record in Heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit: and these three are one. [not in many transcripts] (8) And there are three that bear witness in earth, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and these three agree in one. (9) If we receive the witness of men, the witness of **YAHWEH** is greater: for this is the witness of **YAHWEH** which **HE** hath testified of **HIS Son**.

The Sacred Scriptures, Bethel Edition, came very close to the correct translation, but they should have used "that" instead of "who" in one place. They omit, as many other translations do, that which the King James Version gives as verse seven.

1 John 5:6-8: This is **He** that came by water and blood, **YAHshua** the **Messiah**; not with water only, but with the water and with the blood. (7) And it is the Spirit that bears wit-





ness, because the Spirit is the truth. (8) For there are three who [that] bear witness, the Spirit, and the water, and the blood: and the three agree in one.

The NIV omits John 5:7.

I John 5:6-9: This is the One Who came by water and blood Jesus Christ [YAHWEH'S Ha Mashiach]. He did not come by water only, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who [which] testifies, because the Spirit is the truth. For there are three that testify: the Spirit, the water and the blood; and the three are in agreement. We accept man's testimony, but GOD'S [YAHWEH] testimony is greater because it is the testimony of GOD [YAHWEH], which HE has given about HIS Son.

A footnote on that Scripture reads: "Late manuscripts of the Vulgate {Jerome's (340?-420) translation of the Scriptures from Greek into Latin } testify in heaven: the Father, the Word and Holy Spirit, and these three are one. And there are three that testify on earth: the} (not found in any Greek manuscript before the 16th century)"

The Amplified Bible puts I John 5:7 in italics to indicate that it was added by the translators. (I'll capitalize them too.)

I John 5:6-9: This is He Who came by (with) water and blood [His baptism and His death], Jesus Christ [YAHshua Ha Mashiach], the Messiah; not by (in) the water only but by (in) the water and the blood. And it is the (Holy) Spirit Who [which] bears witness, because the (Holy) Spirit is the Truth. So there are three witnesses in heaven, the Father, the Word and the Holy Spirit, and these three are One; and there are three witnesses on the earth, the Spirit, the water and the blood; and these three agree are in unison, their testimony coincides. If we accept [as we do] the testimony of men (if we are willing to take human authority), the testimony of GOD [YAHWEH] is greater (stronger authority), for this is the testimony of GOD [YAHWEH]; even the witness which HE has borne regarding HIS Son.

The Moffett omits the verse seven.

I John 5:6-9: Jesus Christ [YAHshua Ha Mashi-

ach], He it is Who came by water, blood, and Spirit not by water alone, but by the water and the blood. The Spirit is the witness to this, for the Spirit is truth. The witnesses are three, the Spirit and the water and blood, and the three of them are in accord. If we accept human testimony, GOD'S [YAHWEH'S] testimony is greater; for GOD'S [YAHWEH'S] testimony consists in the testimony HE has borne to HIS Son.

The New English Bible omits verse 7.

I John 5:6-9: This is He Who came with water and blood: Jesus Christ [YAHshua's]. He came, not by water alone, but by water and blood; and there is the Spirit to bear witness, because the Spirit is truth. For there are three witnesses, the Spirit, the water, and the blood, and these three are in agreement. We accept human testimony, but surely divine testimony is stronger, and this threefold testimony is indeed that of GOD [YAHWEH'S] HIMSELF, the witness he has borne to HIS Son.

From The New World Translation:

I John 5:6-9: This is He that came by means of water and blood, Jesus Christ [YAHshua Ha Mashiach]; not with the water only, but with the water and with the blood. And the spirit is that which is bearing witness, because the spirit is the truth. For there are three witness bearers, the spirit and the water and the blood, and the three are in agreement. If we receive the witness men give, the witness GOD [YAHWEH'S] gives is greater, because this is the fact that HE has borne witness concerning HIS Son.

This writing should have made it easier for one to understand that the Holy Spirit is the collective name for YAHWEH'S basic divine characteristics or attributes. When a Believer is immersed in the Holy Spirit, that person receives a measure of one or more of YAHWEH'S supernatural attributes, but does not receive them without measure as YAHshua did. However they do receive them in an amount that supersedes those that are natural to man. This was demonstrated on the Day of Pentecost when the New Covenant Assembly had its first tremendous growth.

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Acts two and the misunderstood subject of **Tongues in the New Covenant Assembly** are very much related to this article on **YAHWEH'S** Holy Spirit.)

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