

The phrase "Thus says YHVH" occurs over four hundred times in the Tanach, as the writers put forward in their writings that God has spoken. The phrase "God said" occurs over six hundred times in the Tanach. So, there's this pervasive claim of the human writers that they are delivering what God wants to be said.

The inspiration of Scripture essentially teaches that God "superintended" the human authors of the Bible so that their individual styles were preserved but the end result was precisely what God wanted.

2 Tim. 3:16-17

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

1 Pet. 1:10-12

Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied about the grace that was to be yours searched and inquired carefully, inquiring what person or time the Spirit of the Messiah in them was indicating when he predicted the sufferings of the Messiah and the subsequent glories. It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in the things that have now been announced to you through those who preached the good news to you by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven, things into which angels long to look.

Since the Holy Spirit inspired all of Scripture, then regardless of the numerous human authors, the message of the Scriptures is consistent across the whole canon. We cannot therefore pit one part of Scripture against another.

2 Peter 1:21

The prophets (all those who proclaim God's word) did not think these things up on their own, but they were guided by the Spirit of God.

Dispensationalists believe God's redemptive plan changes over time, contrasting with covenants which are specific agreements (broad contracts) between God and mankind. Dispensationalism conflicts with the fact that God does not change.

Numbers 23:19

God is not man, that He should lie, or a son of man, that He should change His mind. Has He said, and will He not do it? Or has He spoken, and will He not fulfill it?

Isaiah 40:8

The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

Jeremiah 31:3

YHVH appeared to him from far away. "I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued My faithfulness to you."

Malachi 3:6

For I, YHVH, do not change; therefore you, O children of Jacob, are not consumed.

Psalms 33:11

The counsel of YHVH stands forever, the plans of His heart to all generations.

Psalms 102:27

You are the same, and Your years have no end.

Psalms 110:4

YHVH has sworn and will not change his mind, "You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek."

Psalms 119:89

Forever, YHVH, Your word is firmly fixed in the heavens.

God does not change - so the Holy Spirit does not change, nor does our relation to Him.

Genesis 1:2

The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

Genesis 41:38

And Pharaoh said to his servants, "Can we find a man like this, in whom is the Spirit of God?"

Exodus 35:31

YHVH has filled Bezalel with the Spirit of God, making him highly skilled, resourceful, and knowledgeable in all trades.

Numbers 11:16-17

YHVH said to Moses, "Gather to Me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and officers over them; and bring them to the Tent of Meeting, that they may stand there with you. I will come down and talk with you there. I will take of the Spirit which is on you, and will put it on them; and they shall bear the burden of the people with you, that you don't bear it yourself alone.

Numbers 11:24-29

Moses went out, and told the people the words of YHVH; and he gathered seventy men of the elders of the people, and set them around the Tent. YHVH came down in the cloud, and spoke to him, and took of the Spirit that was on him, and put it on the seventy elders. When the Spirit rested on them, they prophesied, but they did so no more. But two men remained in the camp. The name of one was Eldad, and the name of the other Medad; and the Spirit rested on them. They were of those who were written, but had not gone out to the Tent; and they prophesied in the camp. A young man ran, and told Moses, and said, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp!" Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of Moses, one of his chosen men, answered, "My lord Moses, forbid them!" Moses said to him, "Are you jealous for my sake? I wish that all the people of YHVH were prophets, that YHVH would put his Spirit on them!"

Judges 3:10

When the Spirit of YHVH came over him, he became the judge of Israel. He went out to war. YHVH handed King Cushan Rishathaim of Aram Naharaim over to him, and Othniel overpowered him.

- Judges 11:29* Then the Spirit of YHVH came over Jephthah. Jephthah went through Gilead, Manasseh, and Mizpah in Gilead to gather an army. From Mizpah in Gilead Jephthah went to attack Ammon.
- Judges 13:25* The Spirit of YHVH began to stir Samson in Mahaneh-dan, between Zorah and Eshtaol.
- Judges 14:6* Then the Spirit of YHVH came mightily upon Samson, and he tore the lion apart as one would have split a young goat - yet he had nothing in his hand.
- 1 Samuel 10:6,9-10* (Saul before he became king) Then the Spirit of YHVH will seize you and you will prophesy with them - you will turn into another man. Then it happened, as Saul turned his back to leave Samuel, that God transformed his heart, and all those signs came to pass that day. When they arrived there, at the hill, behold, a band of prophets did meet him, and suddenly, the Spirit of YHVH overtook him, and subsequently, he prophesied among them.
- 1 Samuel 16:13* So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed David in the midst of his brothers. From that day on the Spirit of YHVH came mightily upon David.

There are many more passages in the Tanach about the Spirit of YHVH - the Holy Spirit. He did not suddenly appear in Acts chapter 2.

After the Flood of Noah, there were persons who trusted in God. However, they were few in number, compared to the many who participated in the rebellion at the tower of Babel (Genesis 11:1-4). To disperse the crowd and prevent regathering in the near future, YHVH confused their language - instead of all speaking one language, He gave them different languages to confuse them so they could not understand each other (Genesis 11:5-8). This is the origin of all the languages, and the original language disappeared, to prevent them from restarting the tower. Sometime later (Genesis 12), Abram began his walk with YHVH, and that began the process of putting the word of God eventually into Hebrew.

God's self-revelation at the time of the exodus ensured that the Egyptians would "know" Him and that His name would "be proclaimed in all the earth" (Exodus 9:14, 16). The "mixed multitude" (Exodus 12:38) that joined the exodus indicates that many Egyptians and others came to know YHVH as He overthrew their gods. By establishing His covenant with Israel and setting them apart as His treasured possession, a kingdom of priests, and a holy nation (Exodus 19: 4-6), God intended that they actively represent him to the nations.

References in Psalms show that God wants Israel to let others (non-Jews) to know of His salvation.

- Psalms 67:2-3* That Your way may be known on earth, and Your salvation among all nations, let the peoples praise You, God. Let all the peoples praise you.
- Psalms 96:2-3* Sing to YHVH! Bless His name! Proclaim His salvation from day to day! Declare His glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the peoples.

There are also proclamations to non-Jews in Amos, Micah, Jeremiah, and Zechariah. This focus is on Isaiah.

- Isaiah 42:6* I, YHVH, have called you in righteousness. I will hold your hand. I will keep you, and make you a covenant for the people, as a light for the nations.
- Isaiah 49:6* Indeed, He says, "It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob, and to restore the preserved of Israel. I will also give you as a light to the nations, that you may be my salvation to the end of the earth."
- Isaiah 52:10* YHVH has made His holy arm bare in the eyes of all the nations. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
- Isaiah 60:3* Nations will come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

After the resurrection and that next Shavu'ot, the apostles were sharing the offer of salvation, quoting Isaiah 49:6.

- Acts 13:44-48* The next Sabbath, almost the whole city was gathered together to hear the word of God. But when the Jews saw the multitudes, they were filled with jealousy, and contradicted the things which were spoken by Paul, and blasphemed. Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, and said, "It was necessary that God's word should be spoken to you first. Since indeed you thrust it from yourselves, and judge yourselves unworthy of eternal life, behold, we turn to the non-Jews. For so has YHVH commanded us, saying, 'I have set you as a light for the nations, that you should bring salvation to the uttermost parts of the earth.'" As the non-Jews heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of God. As many as were appointed to eternal life believed.

Yeshua (when incarnate) referred to the Holy Spirit as a fulfillment of the presence of God.

- John 14:15-17* If you love Me, keep My commandments. I will pray to the Father, and He will give you another comforting Counselor, that He may be with you forever: the Spirit of truth, whom the world can't receive; for it doesn't see Him and doesn't know Him. You know Him, for He lives with you, and will be in you.

Some say that the Holy Spirit is revealed when a person is given a new (additional) language to speak and understand. All of the following 78 verses properly translate the Hebrew (or Greek) to LANGUAGE, not TONGUE.

Genesis 10:5, Genesis 10:20, Genesis 10:31, Genesis 11:1, Genesis 11:6, Genesis 11:7, Genesis 11:9, Deuteronomy 28:49, 2 Kings 18:26, 2 Kings 18:28, 2 Chronicles 32:18, Ezra 4:7, Nehemiah 13:24, Esther 1:22, Esther 3:12, Esther 8:9, Job 15:5, Psalm 19:3, Psalm 55:9, Psalm 81:5, Psalm 114:1, Isaiah 19:18, Isaiah 28:11, Isaiah 33:19, Isaiah 36:11, Isaiah 36:13, Isaiah 66:18, Jeremiah 5:15, Ezekiel 3:5, Ezekiel 3:6, Daniel 1:4, Daniel 2:4, Daniel 3:4, Daniel 3:7, Daniel 3:29, Daniel 4:1, Daniel 5:19, Daniel 6:25, Daniel 7:14, Zechariah 8:23, Mark 16:17, Acts 1:19, Acts 2:4, Acts 2:6, Acts 2:8, Acts 2:11, Acts 10:46, Acts 14:11, Acts 19:6, Acts 21:40, Acts 22:2, Acts 26:14, 1 Corinthians 12:10, 1 Corinthians 12:28, 1 Corinthians 12:30, 1 Corinthians 13:1, 1 Corinthians 13:8, 1 Corinthians 14:2, 1 Corinthians 14:4, 1 Corinthians 14:5, 1 Corinthians 14:6, 1 Corinthians 14:13, 1 Corinthians 14:14, 1 Corinthians 14:18, 1 Corinthians 14:19, 1 Corinthians 14:21, 1 Corinthians 14:22, 1 Corinthians 14:23, 1 Corinthians 14:26, 1 Corinthians 14:27, 1 Corinthians 14:39, Revelation 5:9, Revelation 7:9, Revelation 10:11, Revelation 11:9, Revelation 13:7, Revelation 14:6, Revelation 17:15

There are 109 verses that properly translate the Hebrew (or Greek) to TONGUE, not LANGUAGE. I can give you the list if you want it.

Yeshua gives the commission to share salvation with the nations.

Acts 1:8 You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you. You will be witnesses to me in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the uttermost parts of the earth.

Notice the sequence -

Jerusalem
Judea (the rest of the Jews)
Samaria (mixed-blood Jews)
everybody else (non-Jews)

How is this accomplished? By inverting the action at the tower of Babel: now one group speaks many languages.

The disciples began translating the message of Peter in Acts 2:14-40 to those at the Temple. That is Jerusalem.

Acts 2:7-11 They were all amazed and marveled, saying to one another, "Behold, aren't all these who speak Galileans? How do we hear, everyone in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and people from Mesopotamia, Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus, Asia, Phrygia, Pamphylia, Egypt, the parts of Libya around Cyrene, visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians: we hear them speaking in our languages the mighty works of God!"

Next is Judea: the persecution by Saul of The Way forced many to leave Jerusalem.

Acts 8:1 Saul was consenting to the death of Stephen. A great persecution arose against the assembly which was in Jerusalem in that day. They were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except for the apostles.

Next is Samaria: the persecution by Saul of The Way forced many to leave Jerusalem.

Acts 8:5 Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and proclaimed to them the Messiah.
Acts 8:14,17 Now when the apostles who were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. Then they laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

Last is everybody else (non-Jews): Peter is chosen for this special task (Acts 10:1-48).

Acts 10:44,47 While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell on all those who heard the word. He said, "Can anyone forbid these people from being baptized with water? They have received the Holy Spirit just like us."

The Holy Spirit is our first contact with YHVH, reinforced by reading and obeying His word. If we want to know the will of God, we only need to go to the Bible. Sometimes we need the help and prayer of others, but it is the Holy Spirit that reveals the meaning of God's word to us. Now we have the privilege of sharing God's word with those around us, as we become a light to the world.