

THE BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

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#3 The Holy Spirit

The Holy Spirit is God the Spirit. He is co-equal and co-eternal with God Father and God the Son (the Lord Jesus Christ). Acts 5:2-4 - (Also Acts 13:2, Acts 21:11)

The Holy Spirit is the Helper whom the Father sent to be with the Church after Christ ascended into heaven. John 14:16-17.

Jesus said that it would be better for Him to leave this earth and for the Holy Spirit to come in His place. John 16:7.

Jesus is the Baptizer in the Holy Spirit. Matthew 3:1, 11, 13.

We are encouraged by scripture to be filled with the Spirit. Ephesians 5:18.

The word Baptism means "immersion or to be completely covered by"; in that to be Baptized with the Holy Spirit means to be immersed or filled with the Spirit.

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ACTS 5 V. 3 But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit... v.4 ... You have not lied to men, but God."

John 14 V. 16 "And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever. V.17 Even the Spirit of truth..."

John 16 V.7 “Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send Him to you.”

Matthew 3 V. 1 “In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea. V. 11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. V. 13 Then Jesus came...”

Ephesians 5 V. 18 “And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit.”

#5 Disciples – Born Again

When were the disciples “Born Again,” or when did they become Christians?

When they received the Holy Spirit. This occurred on the day of Christ’s resurrection. John 20:19-20.

How do we know this is true?

Because when Spirit comes to live inside of someone, they are “Born Again.” John 3:6-7; Rom. 8:9-11.

How can someone receive the Spirit of God?

By inviting Jesus Christ to come into his life to be Lord and Savior. Rom. 8:9-11; Rev. 3:20.

When we are “Born Again,” we receive the Spirit. (a breath- John 20:22).

When we are Baptized with the Holy Spirit, we are filled with the Spirit, a rushing mighty wind. Acts 2:2-4.

#6 John 20

V. 19 Then, the same day at evening, on that day, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, and said to them “Peace be with you.”

V. 20 Now when He had said this, he showed them His hands and His side. Then, the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord.

V. 21 Then said Jesus to them again, “Peace be with you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you.

V. 22 And when He had said this He breathed on them, and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit.”

John 3

V. 6 ...that which is born of the Spirit.

V. 7 “Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ “

Romans 8

v. 9 But you are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if indeed Spirit of God dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His.

V. 10 And if Christ is in you, the body is dead because of sin, but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

V. 11 But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

Revelation 3

V. 20 “Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him, and dine with him, and he with Me.

#7 The Promise of the Father

Jesus Christ’s final words to His disciples were to wait in Jerusalem for the Promise of the Father. Acts 1:4, Luke 24:49.

What is this Promise? The Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Acts 1:4-5.

What did it do? It gave the Power to witness for Christ. Acts 1:8, Luke 24:49.

What did the disciples do while they were waiting to receive the Baptism in the Holy Spirit? They praised and blessed God together, continually. Luke 24:49-53.

Today, those who are desiring to receive the Baptism in the Holy Spirit should follow the first century disciples example of praising and blessing God while seeking to receive this precious gift.

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Acts 1

V.4 And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which you heard from Me.

V. 5 For John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

V. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, in all Judea, and Samaria, and to the uttermost parts of the earth.

Luke 24

V. 49 And, behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high.

V. 50 And He led them out as far as Bethany, and He lifted up His hands and blessed them.

V. 51 And it came to pass, while He blessed them, He was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.

V. 52 And they worshiped Him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy;

V. 53 And were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen.

#9 Four scriptural accounts of Christians being Baptized in the Holy Spirit.

#1 Pentecost (Shavuot) 30 A.D.

The Christians at Pentecost were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in tongues (Acts 2:1-4).

God promised to pour out His Spirit on all flesh – This was the beginning of the fulfillment spoken by the prophet Joel that God would pour out His Spirit upon all flesh (Acts 2:16-18).

The Baptism of the Holy Spirit is for today – This Promise of the Father, known as the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, was promised for all future generations of Christians (Acts 2:38-39).

Certainly, we in the twenty first century need all that Christ provided for the first century Church. At this point, only Jews were baptized in the Holy Spirit, and this was done without the laying on of hands (Acts 2:24).

#10 Acts 2

V. 1 Now when the Day of Pentecost had come, they were all with one accord in one place.

V. 2 Suddenly there came from the sky a sound like the rushing of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

V. 3 Tongues like fire appeared and were distributed to them, and one sat on each of them.

V. 4 And they were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other languages, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

V. 16 But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

V. 17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters will prophesy. Your young men shall see visions, your old men shall dream dreams.

V. 18 And on my menservants and on my maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days; and they shall prophesy:"

V. 38 Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins," and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

V. 39 "For to you is the promise, and to your children, and to all who are far off, even as the Lord our God will call to Himself."

#11 #2 Philip in Samaria 32 A.D.

Philip's preaching of the Gospel was accomplished by powerful, visible miracles (Acts 8:5-7).

SIMON WANTED THE POWER TO IMPART THE HOLY SPIRIT MORE THAN MIRACLES – These miracles did not impress Simon the Sorcerer as much as when the Samaritans received the Holy Spirit (Acts 8:9-20).

APOSTLES EMPHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT – Though the Samaritans believed and were Baptized in Water, the Apostles Peter and John felt it necessary to go to Samaria to impart the Holy Spirit to the new believers (Acts 8:14-16).

How much more of the Holy Spirit do we need in our generation?

In this case, the Holy Spirit was given by the laying on of hands (Acts 8:17).

It appears that all present received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit (Acts 8:17).

#12 Acts 8

v. 5 Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ...

V. 6 The multitudes listened with one accord to the things spoken by Philip, when they heard and saw the signs which he did.

V. 7 For unclean spirits came out of many of those who had them. They came out, crying with a loud voice. Many who had been paralyzed and lame were healed.

V. 9 But there was a certain man, Simon by name, who used to practiced sorcery in the city, and amazed the people of Samaria...

V. 12 But when they believed Philip... both men and women were baptized.

V. 13 Simon himself also believed. Being immersed (in water), he continued with Philip. Seeing signs and great miracles occurring, and he was amazed.

V. 14 Now when the Apostles who were in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the Word of God, they sent Peter and John to them,

V. 15 Who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Spirit;

V. 16 For as yet He had fallen on none of them. They had only been baptized (in water) in the name of Lord Jesus.

V. 17 Then they laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

V. 18 Now when Simon saw that the Holy Spirit was given through the laying on of the Apostles' hands, he offered them money,

V. 19 Saying "Give me this power, that whoever I lay my hands on may receive the Holy Spirit."

V. 20 But Peter said to him, "May your silver perish with you, because you thought you could obtain the gift of God with money."

#13 #3 The Gentiles Receive the Holy Spirit 40 A.D.

All those present received the Holy Spirit (Acts 10:44).

NO LAYING ON OF HANDS – In the case of the Gentiles, they did not receive the Holy Spirit through the laying on of Hands (Acts 10:44).

THE GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT – The same gift of the Holy Spirit mentioned in Acts 2:38 on the day of Pentecost was poured out in Acts 10:45.

EVIDENCE OF SPEAKING IN TONGUES – The Jewish Christians were convinced that the Gentiles had received the Holy Spirit because they heard them speaking in tongues (Acts 10:45-46).

Sometimes the Baptism in the Holy Spirit occurs before Baptism in Water (Acts 10:47-48).

#14 Acts 10

V. 44 While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those that heard the Word.

V. 45 They of the circumcision who believed were amazed, as many as came with Peter, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was also poured out on the nations .

V. 46 For they heard them speak in other languages and magnifying God. Then Peter answered,

V. 47 “Can any man forbid the anointing (rain), that these who have received the Holy Spirit as well as we should not be baptized?”

V. 48 He commanded them to be baptized in The Name of Jesus.

#15 # 4 - Paul at Ephesus 54 A.D.

Paul obviously was talking to Christians because they are referred to as disciples and believers (Acts 19:1-2).

Yet they had never been Baptized in the Holy Spirit or in Water (Acts 19:2-3).

All present received the Holy Spirit (Acts 19:4-7).

EVIDENCE OF SPEAKING IN TONGUES – The Christians at Ephesus all spoke in tongues when they received the Holy Spirit (Acts 19:6).

In this case the Holy Spirit was given by the Laying on of Hands (Acts 19:6).

Also, when the Christians began to speak in tongues, they prophesied (Acts 19:6).

#16 Acts 19

V. 1 It happened that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul, having passed through the upper country, came to Ephesus, and found certain disciples.

V. 2 He said to them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?” They said to him, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.”

V. 3 He said, “Into what then were you baptized?” They said, “Into John’s baptism.”

V. 4 Paul said, “John indeed baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying to the people that they should believe in the One who would come after him, that is, in Jesus.”

V. 5 When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

V. 6 When Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they spoke with other languages and prophesied.

V. 7 They were about twelve men in all.

#17 How to Receive the Baptism of the Holy Spirit

Let us consider two questions:

1. What goal did Jesus have in mind when teaching the disciples (Luke 11:1-13)?

To teach them to pray (Luke 11:1).

2. What was the main principle He was sharing with the disciples by using the story in Luke 11:5-13?

Jesus was emphasizing a principle by way of contrast. He shows us that the Father's response to our request for the Holy Spirit (Luke 11:9-13) will not be like that of the friend who was reluctant to grant the needs of his friends (Luke 11:5-8).

Our Heavenly Father will give us the Gift of the Holy Spirit when we ask for it (Luke 11:13).

Summary

We should ask, seek and knock to receive the Holy Spirit who will come and teach us to pray (Luke 11:19, 13; Romans 8:26).

#18 Luke 11

V. 1 And it came to pass, as He was praying in a certain place, when He ceased, one of His disciples said to Him, "Jesus, teach us to pray, as John, the Baptizer, taught his disciples."

V. 5 And Jesus said to them, "Which of you shall be a friend, and go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend, lend me three loaves;

V. 6 For a friend of mine in his journey is to come to me, and I have nothing to set before him?

V. 7 And he will answer from within and say, Do not trouble me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give to you.

V. 8 I say to you, though he will not rise and give to him because he is a friend, yet because of his persistence he will rise and give him as many as he needs.

V. 9 And I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you shall find; knock, and it will be opened to you.

V. 10 For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be open.

V. 11 If a son asks for bread from any father among you, will he give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent instead of a fish?

V. 12 Or if he asks for an egg, will he offer him a scorpion?

V. 13 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those that ask Him?"

Testimony

Although I had walked with Jesus for several years, it wasn't until my freshman year of college that I began to walk in the empowerment of the Holy Spirit consistently. One afternoon when I was alone in the sanctuary of our local church, I was laying on my face before God, desiring more of Him. After some time of prayer seeking His face, God gave me my prayer language which I have continued to utilize daily since. This prayer language has on numerous occasions enabled me to receive direct revelation from the Father. On one occasion, as I was praying in tongues while meeting with a student on campus, the Holy Spirit revealed to me a word of knowledge for this student. Although I

did not know her personally, God revealed specific past hurts related to her abuse as a younger girl in her own church. This opened the door for targeted prayer which released her from demonic oppression and ended with her receiving the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Tongues

#19 The Baptism of the Holy Spirit is accompanied by evidence of speaking in tongues.

Being therefore exalted as the Right Hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this, which you now see and hear (Acts 2:33)."

Who in the Bible encouraged speaking in tongues?

Jesus told His disciples that believers would be able to speak in tongues (Mark 16:17).

Paul encouraged believers to speak in tongues (1 Corinthians 14:5, 18, 26, 39).

Who can understand tongues?

Can God understand tongues (1 Corinthians 14:2).

No man can understand tongues (1 Corinthians 14:2).

How should you use tongues?

Pray and sing in tongues (1 Corinthians 14:14-15).

We can pray and sing in the Spirit and we can pray with the understanding also.

What do tongues do for us?

Gives us special communication with God (Romans 8:26).

Builds up our faith (Jude 20).

Conclusion: TONGUES + INTERPRETATION = PROPHECY

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Mark 16

V. 17 And these signs will follow those that believe: In my name, they will cast out devils; they will speak in new tongues;

1 Corinthians 14

V. 5 I wish you all spoke in tongues...

V. 18 I thank God, I speak in tongues more than you all;

V. 26 How is it, then, brethren? When you come together, every one of you has a psalm, has a teaching, has a tongue, has a revelation, has an interpretation. Let all signs be done for edification.

V. 39 Therefore, brethren, desire earnestly to prophesy, and do not forbid to speak with tongues.

V. 2 For he who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God, for no one understands him; however in the spirit he speaks mysteries.

V. 14 For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my understanding is unfruitful.

V. 15 What is the result then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will also pray with the understanding. I will sing in the spirit, and I will sing with understanding.

Romans 8

v.26 Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weakness. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

Jude

V. 20...building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit.

#21 Conclusion

Scripture tells us about the Holy Spirit and His Name:

1. Though it may be called:

- a. the "baptism in the Holy Spirit" (Acts 1:5).
- b. the "gift of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:38; 10:45).
- c. being "filled with the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:4).
- d. "the Promise of the Father" (Acts 1:4; 2:39).
- e. Being "endued with power from on high" (Luke 24:49). These phrases are all describing the same experience. Jesus foretold what would

come upon His disciples at Jerusalem (Acts 1:4).

2. When someone is "Born Again," the Holy Spirit comes to live inside of him (John 3:6-7; Romans 8:9-11). When Jesus Baptizes someone in the Holy Spirit (Matthew 3:11), he is immersed in or filled with the Power of the Spirit (Acts 1:8).

3. The Bible shows that it is very important for Christians to be Baptized in the Holy Spirit and to speak in tongues (Acts 19:2-6).

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4. There are some instances in the Bible when Laying on of Hands was used to administer the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, and there are other cases when it was not. NO HANDS (Acts 2:4, 10:44) HANDS (Acts 8:17, 19:6).

5. The Scriptural Evidence of someone being Baptized in the Holy Spirit is speaking in an unknown tongue as the Spirit gives him utterance (2 Corinthians 13:1). "In the mouth of two or three witnesses every word shall be established." So, since we have three clear scriptures (Acts 2:4, 10:46, 19:6), this evidence of tongues can readily be established.

6. There are no examples given in scripture of individuals who did not receive the Baptism in the Holy Spirit who sincerely and honestly desired to receive it (Acts 2:39).

7. According to Jesus, the Baptism in the Holy Spirit is worth asking, seeking and knocking for, and He promises us that we will receive it (Luke

11:9-13).

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