

## Would you like to hear the Good News?

God still loves you. He never stopped loving you. He loved you so much that He sent His Son Jesus to bring you back. All you have to do is let Him bring you back. Will you pray with me?

*"Lord Jesus... I want to stop trusting in myself...and what I can do...and start trusting in you...and what you have already done...when you died for me on the cross. I know that I am a sinner...and I am sorry for my sins. I ask you to forgive me...I believe you rose again...and I invite you to come and live inside of me. I want you to be my Savior and Lord...which means being #1 in my life. I want to repent and turn away...from everything you and the Bible call sin...and I totally commit myself...to obeying you...everyday, for the rest of my life. Lord Jesus baptize me in your precious Holy Spirit. Thank you Jesus."*

**Now that you have made peace with God, He is ready for you to begin to grow in a personal relationship with Him.**

**Receiving More Of Jesus? "The Baptism in the Holy Spirit"**

1. Did you know that God has a good gift for you – the Holy Spirit?
2. Would you like to ask God to receive the Holy Spirit – Luke 11:13?
3. Do you believe the Bible is the Word of God?
4. Have you heard of the Trinity – Father, Son and Holy Spirit and that all are in agreement with the Baptism of the Holy Spirit? The Father is the One Who Promised – Acts 1:8. Jesus is the One Who Baptizes us in the Holy Spirit – Luke 3:16. The Holy Spirit is the One who gives us the utterance or the words and that this is the "initial sign" of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit – Acts 2:4.
5. Do you believe that the Baptism of the Holy Spirit is speaking in tongues? – Acts 10:44-46, Acts 19:2-6
6. Would you like to know why the Baptism in the Holy Spirit is important?
  - a. Receive the ability or power of the Holy Spirit – Acts 1:8
  - b. Build up your most holy faith – Jude 1:20
  - c. Edify yourself (give yourself a spiritual battery charge) – 1 Cor. 14:4
  - d. Speak mysteries to God – 1 Corinthians 14:2
  - e. When you don't know how to pray, the Holy Spirit will pray through you the perfect will of God. (When you pray in other tongues) – Romans 8:26-28
7. How is "Salvation" different than the "Baptism in the Holy Spirit?"

Answer: Jesus described the born again experience as a "fountain of water springing up into everlasting life – John 4:14. Salvation is to benefit the believer. When we are born again the Holy Spirit enters our spirit and assures us of eternal life with God. Jesus describes the Baptism in the Holy Spirit as "rivers of living water flowing out of the heart – John 7:38-39." The Baptism of the Holy Spirit is to benefit those for whom we minister. The Baptism of the Holy Spirit provides us the power that flows out of our spirit to meet the needs of others.
8. The disciples were in the upper room on the Day of Pentecost and when they were in one accord in one place "they were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance – Acts 2:4. Who spoke in other tongues?
9. Do you believe that words are made up of syllables?
10. Will you confess that you have received the Holy Spirit, before you speak in tongues?
11. By faith speak in syllables, and allow the Holy Spirit to have your tongue, to form syllables into a new language or tongue. The Holy Spirit will flow from your heart.
12. Pray for a minute in tongues and stop. The prophet controls his own spirit or his own tongue – 1 Corinthians 14:32.
13. Continue to pray in tongues and worship the Lord.



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# Hearing His Voice

## Move It

They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony...

**Revelation 12:11**



**Adair Rippy**

As a heavy earth moving contractor, I've literally prayed D-8 bulldozer tracks back onto equipment after I discovered the power of prayer.

Most of the work of my company consists of building roads through the rugged mountains of Colorado. The heights of which one gets an unsurpassed view of the breath taking beauty of green valleys below.

The brisk, clean mountaintop air invigorates like the mighty wind of the Holy Spirit which is sweeping through denominational barriers in these last days. I'm grateful to be a part of this end-time revival.

Such was not always the case. For sixteen years my Christian experience, like misaligned bulldozer tracks, was sidetracked as I lived away from the Lord. I began life with an advantage, for my family heritage has been traced back into the thirteenth century and most of those ancestors were born again Christians. Although I'm glad of this heritage, it could do nothing for me spiritually until, by my own will, I received Jesus Christ. This personal encounter was made when I was fourteen years old.

In 1947, I suffered a very personal tragedy involving men who claimed to be Christians. Instead of looking to the perfection of Christ, my eyes were on them, and their actions were my excuse for turning from God and the church

It wasn't until 1963 that I came back to the Lord because of another trial in my life. I then found peace with Him and began to grow spiritually through prayer and the Word.

When my father, brother and I ended our partnership in the construction business, I went out on my own. I took God as my senior partner, guide and counselor and dedicated the business to Him. I'm only the manager; God is the proprietor. He taught me to pray about all things in or out of business, regardless of the size or the nature of the transaction. The Lord also taught me that He wanted me to tithe ten percent of my net earnings as well as my time. Most of all, God let me know that He was vitally interested in me as an individual.

I gave up alcohol and tobacco when I realized these habits were damaging to my testimony. God spoke to me and said "I want you to put me ahead of everything in your life. Ahead of family, friends and business."

That same year I moved my family to Glenwood Springs, Colorado and began to look for a church to attend. Our first Sunday we chose the American Baptist Church where only sixteen people were in attendance in a rundown building. Although I was turned off by this, six weeks later we were back again with the assurance that this was the church God wanted us to attend.

The reason soon became evident, for these dear people knew nothing about the moving of the Holy Spirit. Although I had not yet received the baptism myself, it was evident that this would be a fertile field in which to minister.

For nine years I worked in the church diligently, yet very cautiously, sometimes imploring the Lord to release me to go where I could fellowship with those who had experienced the deeper walk with the Spirit, but I was

reminded of the admonition in Exodus 14:13, "Stand still, and see the salvation of the Lord."

On March 29, 1967, I received the baptism in the Holy Spirit with the evidence of speaking in tongues. Then, in 1972, our church got a Spirit-filled pastor! This was worth the long wait.

*To read Adair's full testimony and find more businessmen stories, please visit <http://FGBT.org>*

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**OUR VISION FROM GOD was given to our founder Demos Shakarian, a dairyman. In the vision he saw men who looked spiritually dead standing shoulder to shoulder across the globe; they heard and received the message of hope, and were spiritually resurrected from the dead, filled with God's Holy Spirit, with radiant faces and hands lifted toward heaven praising God.**

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#### **GOD'S PURPOSE FOR OUR FELLOWSHIP**

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- To reach men everywhere for Jesus Christ with the same social, cultural or business interests.
  - To call men to God: to help men become born again, baptized in the Holy Spirit, operate in the Gifts of the Holy Spirit.
  - To mentor young men who have never had positive male role model by being a spiritual father to them.
  - To provide a basis of fellowship among all men everywhere, regardless of church affiliation.
  - To bring about a greater measure of unity and harmony in the Body of Christ.
  - To train and equip men to succeed in the business world.
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