

## 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"

Who is the Holy Spirit? He is God. You might ask, "If the Holy Spirit is God, and Jesus is God, and the Heavenly Father is God, are there three Gods?" No. There is only one God as stated earlier. But God is unified as One and exists in the three Persons of Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. This threefold nature of God is exhibited even in creation. Humans have a body, a mind, and an eternal spirit. Our mind is not our body. Our spirit is not our mind. Are we then three people? No. We are just one person with three manifestations.

• After we receive eternal life through confessing Jesus as Lord and Savior, we can also receive what the Bible calls the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. The purpose of this Baptism is to be anointed like Jesus and do the works that He did. Through this Baptism we receive the power of God, the supernatural fruit of the Holy Spirit, and the supernatural gifts of the Holy Spirit.

• The fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, long-suffering, and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23). We receive these supernatural capabilities in our lives when we receive the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.

• Some of the gifts of the Holy Spirit are listed in 1 Corinthians 12. Through the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, God distributes these great gifts to each one individually as He wills for each situation (1 Corinthians 12:8-11).

• Would you like to receive this great gift?

Yes No

• Throughout the New Testament, the Bible shows the manifestations of the gifts after receiving the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. Initially the gift of utterance, a language not previously known to the person is received, or interpretation of tongues, or prophesy. The gifts of power are faith, healings, or miracles. The gifts of revelation are also available: word of knowledge, word of wisdom, or discernment of spirits, or any combinations of these gifts. The Holy Spirit will manifest His presence differently at different times depending on which gift or gifts are needed at that time.

• Do you believe these things?

Yes No

• The Baptism in the Holy Spirit is received by faith just as salvation is received. Pray the following prayer or one similar to it.

• Dear Heavenly Father. I believe You are the source of all love and power. I ask right now for the gift of the Holy Spirit. I have faith in You, and that You will give me this great gift. Because I have asked, I believe I have now received the Power of God, the fruit of the Holy Spirit, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit in my life. I have received all these wonderful gifts by faith. I also ask that You will show me how to use these gifts for Your glory by Christ Jesus. I pray now thanking you in the name of my Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

• Do you believe you have received these great gifts?

Yes No

• You have received these gifts. You should begin to use these gifts now that God has given you.



# Hearing His Voice

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

**Revelation 12:11**

## Finding My Keys



**Mark Malloy**

Hello, my name is Mark Malloy. I buy, renovate, and rent properties. I am the youngest of four children of Francis and Helen Malloy. My parents were born in Pennsylvania, got married and raised their family in California. We were a tight nit family. My parents had all the boys on a swim team and soccer team from a young age. We attended church.

When I was six, my mother and father got into real estate. My dad would load up all the boys and our friends into his car and we would pass out real estate fliers. When our rental properties became vacant, we would renovate as needed.

I played soccer in junior high, and in high school I was on the swim team and played water polo. I was president of my senior class. However, we stopped going to church every week. I wondered if there was a God. I wondered if the Bible was true and if some other religions were true. When I was 15 a friend of mine from swim team asked me if I wanted to go to a concert at a large church. The songs were lively and upbeat.

After the concert, the host spoke. He explained the Bible in a way that made sense to me. He spoke of the fallen nature of man. This fallen nature is natural for man to do things that is wrong in God's sight. These wrong choices are called sin in the Bible. Sin is an archery term that means "Missing the mark." When we sin, we miss the target that God has set for us.

I always had thought that at the end of my life God would weigh my good deeds against my bad deeds, and if I was good enough I would go to heaven. The speaker explained that even one broken commandment would exclude us from heaven. He explained how God is holy and could not allow sin in His presence. This didn't look good.

Then he explained how God sent his son Jesus Christ into the world to be the sacrifice to pay for our sin. He read the Bible, verse "For God so loved the world that he gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever would believe in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life."

I always thought that maybe Jesus would accept me if I was good enough. The idea of being saved by faith and not based on my efforts was clear. When he asked if anyone wanted to receive Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, I went forward. I wanted all of Jesus and prayed to receive His precious Holy Spirit. I received my prayer language about five years later. When I would lose my car keys, I would pray in tongues, and God would tell me where to look.

That decision has forever changed my life. I was a friendly person and enjoyed peoples' approval. When I counted the ballots for our senior breakfast awards banquet, I got nearly every vote for the Steve Martin / Class Clown award. I loved to joke around and disrupt teachers to make a funny comment. I loved being the center of attention.

Once I became a Christian, I was concerned about the person's salvation then their approval of me. I began to talk to people about sin, and God's only provision for man's sin: Jesus' death on the cross as our substitute. A few of my friends became Christians. But many more didn't, and we began to drift apart. But that was alright because now I had the Lord in

my life. I did not need the approval of other people. I wanted God's approval.

Since becoming a Christian I have had many trials and made many wrong, sinful choices. Each time I go astray, the Lord brings me back. Sometimes it is painful. The Lord disciplines those He loves.

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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 a 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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