

## 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

## The Voice of Thanksgiving

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

**Revelation 12:11**



Art Nersasian

I was born in the Pentecostal movement and as a boy saw the miracles of God, wonderful healings, tongues and interpretations. I saw the power of God manifested and knew what it was, yet I never had the desire to receive any of these gifts.

One year we were having a tent meeting revival in the Southern California area where I lived. I was only about eleven years old, but when I went to

the altar to accept the Lord I knew something definite had happened to me. Each individual has to have that experience with the Lord.

You can try to explain Jesus to someone and tell what it means to be saved, but you can never fully convey to another person the fullness or the depth of that experience. Each man must experience it for himself.

Then one day I met a girl. We went together for a long time before I got up enough nerve to propose to her. We were married and in the years that followed God blessed our union with two children.

Then the Lord began to deal with my wife about her spiritual condition. She had been raised in a non-Christian home, but she had a praying

grandmother who used to teach her scripture verses and talk to her about the Lord. Though she had gotten away from that early influence, now that yearning came again to her heart to be in closer touch with the Master.

This hunger began to grow within her heart and she began to seek– and the Lord answered. He never turns a deaf ear to a seeking heart. She accepted the Savior and then went on to seek a deeper experience.

One night she wanted to go to some Gospel meeting in Maywood. It was raining and I wouldn't go, so she went by herself; she was hungry for more of God. That night she received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. She came home and began to tell me about it but I wasn't too interested. Now, mind you, I knew what it was but felt that a deeper walk with the Lord might interfere with some of the things I wanted to do.

One day it suddenly dawned on me that something was amiss. I was supposed to be the Christian in this family. I was supposed to be the one to lead the family to the Lord, but my wife was closer to Him than I, and now she was going on without me! I told the Lord that He just had to do something about it, yet I wouldn't completely surrender.

There was still stuff to have and things to do. I had a business that was doing well, had an airplane, cars, trucks– almost everything a man might want– but I didn't have that desire, or willingness, to let Jesus rule over my life.

In the midst of all this I had an experience that made me know without a doubt that God loved me. One day while working I began to get a headache such as I had never had before. By noon the pain was so bad I actually wept, and my vision and entire system was affected. I went home. My wife took one look at me and knew something was wrong. I went straight into the bedroom and fell across the bed exclaiming, "I'm sick! Call the doctor. Do something!"

She said, "Let's pray."

I exclaimed, "I need a doctor! I don't need to pray!"

Nevertheless she put her arm around me and said just one word: "Jesus!"

Instantly I knew God had touched me. It was as though He had said, "My son, I love you. Won't you let me help you?"

I never returned to that old stiff-necked trail again.

Every time thoughts of doing something else came, I'd recall that day that God touched me and lifted that terrible burden from me.

*To read Art'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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