## 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 <u>faith</u> 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

They overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony…
**Revelation 12:11**

## A Ministry In Business

**Don Ostrom**

I was raised in church and deep poverty as a teenager. My folks were poor and they had the idea that if you had lots of money you surely couldn't be spiritual. I was saved at 13 years old but was wishy-washy until I was filled with the Holy Spirit at age 17. What a change! Right after that I led one of my classmates to the Lord. He went on to bible school; I felt led by the Lord to attend Northwest Bible Institute in Seattle, graduating four years later. One lesson I learned was to stay active in church, starting with our youth group in Vancouver, Washington.

Manila! After three weeks aboard ship, we finally arrived in the Philippines. Neither my wife Marlene nor I could speak the language; we knew no one there, and we knew little of their customs. In spite of these severe limitations, the Lord faithfully honored our obedience and blessed our efforts as we pioneered a church in Mindanao.

Our first service started with two people. Today there are 500 churches which may be traced back to that first little church where we ministered for three years.

Tragedy interrupted this promising missionary work. My wife's father and sister were killed in a plane crash. Marlene's mother had passed away about six months after we arrived in the Philippines. It was imperative that we return to the States to run the six convalescent centers which her father had owned and operated.

Confused, I got down on my knees in the basement of our home on Magnolia Street in Seattle and cried out, "God, I don't understand. I want to know. Am I a businessman or a preacher?"

As clearly as when He had called me into the ministry, the Lord replied, "Son, it makes no difference to Me if men call you one or the other. As long as you do My will, you will bring glory to My name." God taught me some valuable lessons during that struggle. He showed me there isn't much difference between being a missionary and a Christian businessman. It's just a matter of location.

One day one of my managers introduced me to a couple of elderly ladies, saying, "These two women have just given their hearts to the Lord." One of them said, "Mr. Ostrom, just think - after all these years, now I know where I am going."

I also have had the joy of seeing people healed in our centers. One year, 50 percent of those who came to Belmont Terrace returned to their homes.

Even though Marlene and I were called home from the Philippines, God did not lift our burden for the world. He has led me to participate in a number of evangelistic outreaches, including a FGBMF airlift in which we shared the Good News in Denmark, Norway, Scotland, Germany and Honduras. In each of those countries we saw people saved and baptized in the Holy Spirit. Others were healed. As a businessman I have traveled to over 50 nations of the world.

My story is unique. I was raised in a full gospel church, completed Bible school and served the Lord as pastor, evangelist and then as missionary. While God calls many businessmen into fulltime ministry, He called me from the Philippines to serve Him in the marketplace.

I have a ministry, for now as a businessman I can speak from a different perspective than that of a preacher. The man in the marketplace can identify with me. I understand what he is going through, and he can relate to my experiences.

Minister or businessman, my task is the same: to bring such men to Jesus.

*To read Don's full testimony and find more businessmen stories, please visit [http://FGBT.org](http://FGBT.org)*

**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.**

**GOD'S PURPOSE FOR OUR FELLOWSHIP**

- 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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