

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...every day, 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, 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 My name is Joshua Massey and I would like to tell you my story.

• From a young age, I struggled with my parents and didn't understand why. I heard them say we were a Christian family and saw them really help people in need. But how they treated each other behind closed doors stirred up so much fighting and silence that it caused much confusion and anger in me. I was a young boy caught in the middle. 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.



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Revelation 12:11



Joshua Massey

My name is Joshua Massey and I would like to tell you my story. I am the Vice President of a Software Development at Xpressdocs Holdings, Inc. a marketing solutions company. From a young age, I struggled with my parents and didn't understand why. I heard them say we were a Christian family and saw them really help people in need. But how they treated each other behind closed doors stirred up so much fighting and silence that it caused much confusion and anger in me. I was a

young boy caught in the middle. Then Dad took a job working weekends and thus began the immediate decline in our church life. Manipulation, fighting, and silence overshadowed every moment of laughter. By twelve years old, I was already growing in resentment and independence. By fourteen, I was sneaking out of the house and mixing in with a local gang. My anger mixed with the genuine desire for real family consumed me and without spiritual guidance or mentoring on truth, I was very lost and empty. My drive kept me making high grades in school, and even winning awards. I was able to hide what I was becoming. I began rejecting those who cared about me most. I was nearly killed multiple times and became sexually active without a real clue of the consequences. At fifteen, I found myself in a situation that sent shockwaves through my life ... it looked like I'd gotten my girlfriend pregnant. "WOW!" I was found out, at least at some level.

Along the way I found myself at a small country Pentecostal church

where an evangelistic, people-loving pastor shared about Jesus with me. I was filled with much fear. What I now understand is, conviction of sin plus lots of skepticism causes a person to question on whether God really existed or cared for me. One day, I mustered up enough faith to actually kneel at an altar and seek out a “deal” with God... saying, “If He was listening and cared, I would serve Him the rest of my life if He would not let this girl be pregnant.” Believe it or not, within a week or two, we found out she was NOT pregnant. I had experienced my first miracle and was now faced with a decision, “Would I keep my word to God?”

Well, hypocrisy and not keeping one’s word was on the top of my list for resenting people. How could I do the very thing I’d come to hate so much? I had very little discipleship at the time; I began pulling away from the crazy life a little at a time, the best way I knew. I kept doing well in school, graduated with honors, and set off for Junior College. That girl that we thought was pregnant ended up giving her own heart to Christ. After graduating with my first degree, we got married and moved away, in June 1998.

After separating ourselves from all the old non-life-giving influences, things began changing for us. God led us to a great church family. We both had good jobs, and I was in college working on my second degree. But something was still missing. We knew Jesus, but still had lots of unhealed, unresolved issues and hurts, which, in me, led to anger. We didn’t seem to have real overcoming power and freedom. Then the Lord led us out with this pastor to pioneer a new mission-minded church. Along the way we were baptized in the Holy Spirit, and empowered to be true witnesses of Jesus. Then in October 2004, I received the revelation of son ship, feeling like a real son for the first time in my life. Everything began changing with how I saw life and people. My heavenly Father enabled me to lead many people to Christ. I was training others to do the same and began really giving away the Father’s love to everyone. My heavenly Father poured into me much truth in His Word with a passion to tell others.

Then in 2007, He stirred my heart for pastors and unity in the Body. He gave me a clear word of direction to go back to Ennis, where we grew up and unite pastors, crossing race, and denomination lines, with city and business leaders. At the same time, He stirred my bride’s heart to move back to where we grew up to mentor our nieces. So, we transitioned out of all our ministry roles and obeyed God. We got back to Ennis in January 2008 and started our missions. Since then we

are seeing pastoral relationships across racial, social, and denominational lines growing every month. We are seeing the city transformed in front of us with our heavenly Father having raised up a saved mayor, city manager, school superintendent, hospital CEO, city economic director, fire chief, police chief, and other business leaders. Just recently our heavenly Father gave me a clear word that He was sending a revival to Ennis by way of His kids rejecting sin and sharing His truth with others. He showed me little flames of the Holy Spirit that He would ignite with each sharing and together a wild fire of His would break out. God has been stirring united intercessory prayer across Ennis for over thirty years, for God to send a revival to our city.

OUR VISION is based on a vision that God gave to a businessman- a dairy farmer. In that vision, he saw hundreds of despondent men who felt they had no chance of making it in the world. Then they heard a message of hope and they came alive! Their heads held high; they were transformed into productive men with dignity and purpose.

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 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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