

THE HOLY SPIRIT

"Holy Spirit Baptism"

Mk. 1:6-8

Mt. 3:11

Acts 1:4-5

- I. WAIT FOR THE PROMISE OF THE FATHER. (Acts 1:4 KJV) And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me. (Acts 1:5 KJV) For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.
 - A. The coming of the Holy Spirit (Prophesied in Isaiah)
 - B. He dwelleth with you and shall be in you. (John 14:17 KJV) Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.
 - C. *"There came a sound.* (Acts 2:4 KJV) And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance
 - D. Distinct from presence of Holy Spirit in OT (upon); NT (within; baptism in).

- II. HOLY SPIRIT IN CONVERSION.
 - A. When He is come, He will reprove the world of sin (Jn. 16:8)
 - B. No man can say Jesus is Lord, but by the Holy Ghost (I Cor. 12:3)
 - C. God hath...chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth (I Pet. 1:2)
 - D. If any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His (Rom. 8:9)
 - E. The Spirit witnesses with our spirit that we are the children of God (Rom. 8:16)
 - F. Convicts, sanctifies unto salvation, born of the Spirit

- III. BAPTISM OF HOLY SPIRIT DISTINGUISHED FROM CONVERSION.
 - A. Jesus born of Holy Spirit; thirty years later baptized in Holy Spirit
 - B. Disciples at Pentecost
 - C. Samaritan converts under Philip (Acts 8:5-13)
 - D. Cornelius (Acts 10:44) - *"While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all of them...v. 46 - "For they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God."*
 - E. Paul - Ananias laid hand on him to receive sight and be filled with Holy Ghost - *"that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost."*
 - F. Ephesus (Acts 19:1) - *"Received ye the Holy Ghost since ye believed?" "And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied."*
 - G. Types
 1. Feast of Passover and Feast of Pentecost

2. Cleansing of leper - blood, then oil
3. Oil in and upon the meal offering. (Lev 2:5 KJV) And if thy oblation be a meat offering baken in a pan, it shall be of fine flour unleavened, mingled with oil.

IV. IMPORTANCE OF RECEIVING THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.

- A. Coming of power from on high.
 1. Speak with boldness.
 2. Be witnesses.
- B. Divine equipment - supernatural endowment.
- C. Spirit makes intercession (Rom. 8:26) - *"Likewise, the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered."*
- D. Value of tongues.
 1. For self-edification.
I Co. 14:4 - *"He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth himself.."*
(Jude 1:20 KJV) But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith,
praying in the Holy Ghost,
 2. Speaks directly to God (I Cor. 14:2) - *"...he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men but unto God."*

V. INITIAL EVIDENCE.

- A. In OT, prophecy.
- B. In New Testament, tongues (except at Samaria).

VI. HOW TO RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT.

- A. First, be saved.
 1. Acts 3:10 - *"Repent ye therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord."*
 2. Acts 2:38 - *"Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost."*
- B. Obey.
 1. *"And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey Him."* (Acts 5:32)
 2. Eph. 5:18 - *"Be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Holy Spirit."*
- C. Ask.
 1. Ye have not because ye ask not (Jas. 4:2)
 2. Ask and receive not, because ask amiss. Ask according to the will of God.

3. *"And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek; and ye shall find; knock and it shall be opened unto you. For every one that asketh; receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if he ask a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children; how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?" (Lu. 11:13)*

D. Believe.

"That we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith." (Gal. 3:14)

"He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believeth on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified. (Jn. 7:38-39).

LAYING ON OF HANDS.

Samaritans by Peter and John.

Ananias and Paul.

Ephesians by Paul.