

The Other Baptism

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What does a relationship with the Holy Spirit bring into our lives?

John 16:7 – ⁷ But I tell you the truth: It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Comforter or Holy Spirit will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

John 14:25-27 – ²⁵ "These things I have spoken to you while being present with you. ²⁶ But the Comforter, Helper or the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

The "peace" Jesus referred to was not "a feeling", but "a person", the "person of the Holy Spirit."

The "Baptism in the Holy Spirit" is referred to as "the Promise of the Father."

Acts 1:4-5 – ⁴ And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me; ⁵ for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." What did they experience when they received "The Holy Spirit" or "The Promise of the Father"?

Acts 2:4 – ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them or gave them the utterance.

Was "The Promise of the Father" or "The Baptism in the Holy Spirit" for the early church only or for all believers?

Acts 2:38-39 – ³⁸ Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise [of the Father] is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call."

How to receive:

Luke 11:9-13 – ⁹ "So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹ "Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? ¹² Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

Your responsibility is to "ask Him", not "earn Him".