

The Person of the Holy Spirit – 03/09/11

Matthew 3:11 – John said, I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: *he shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit, and with fire:*

Do you want ALL of what Jesus came to bring?

John 16:12-15

12 "I have much more to say to you, more than you can now bear.

13 But when *he, the Spirit of truth*, comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.

14 He will bring glory to me by taking from what is mine and making it known to you.

15 All that belongs to the Father is mine. That is why I said *the Spirit* will take from what is mine and make it known to you.

John 14:16-18

16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever —

17 *the Spirit of truth*, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.

18 I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.

John 14:25-27

25 "These things I have spoken to you while being present with you.

26 But the Helper, 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 to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

John 16:7 - Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper (the Holy Spirit) will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you.

Luke 24:49-51

49 And, behold, I send *the promise of my Father* upon you: but you should tarry in the city of Jerusalem, until you are endued with power from on high.

50 And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them.

51 And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.

Acts 1:4-5,8

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.*"

8 But you shall *receive power* when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Is this experience available today or was it only available to the early church?

Acts 2:38-39

38 Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive *the gift of the Holy Spirit*.

39 *The promise* is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call."

“The Promise” of the Holy Spirit is for **you** (The people of that day), **their children** and for **all that are far off, for all whom the Lord will call**.

Since **“The Promise of the Father,” “The Baptism of the Holy Spirit,”** or **“The Gift of the Holy Spirit”** are for all people throughout the church age, we must determine by Scripture what should happen when this experience is received.

Initial Outpouring to the Jew and Gentile – Initiated by God

Acts 2:1-4

1 When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting.

3 Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them.

4 And they were all *filled with the Holy Spirit* and began to *speak with other tongues*, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Acts 10:44-48

44 While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who heard the word.

45 And those of the circumcision who believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because *the gift of the Holy Spirit* had been poured out on the Gentiles also.

46 *For they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God*. Then Peter answered,

47 "Can anyone forbid water, that these should not be baptized who have received *the Holy Spirit just as we have*?"

48 And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then they asked him to stay a few days.

3 other places in ACTS – Initiated by man

Acts 19:1-7

1 And it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper coasts came to Ephesus: and finding certain disciples,

2 He said to them, Have you received the Holy Spirit since you believed? And they said to him, We have not so much as heard whether there is a Holy Spirit.

3 And he said to them, Unto what then were you baptized? And they said, John's baptism.

4 Then Paul said, John truly baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying to the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus.

5 When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

6 And when Paul had *laid his hands upon them*, the *Holy Spirit came on them*; and they *spoke with tongues, and prophesied*.

7 And all the men were about twelve.