

LAUNCHING YOUR FAITH FAITH ALIVE IN THE 21ST CENTURY

LESSON 2

BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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JESUS encouraged His Disciples to: SEE BIGGER THINK BIGGER RESPOND BIGGER

Luke 9:1-3 KJV

¹ Then he called his twelve disciples together, and gave them power and authority over all devils, and to cure diseases. 2 And he sent them to preach the kingdom of God, and to heal the sick. 3 And he said unto them, Take nothing for your journey, neither staves, nor scrip, neither bread, neither money; neither have two coats apiece.

I. THERE'S MORE

John 20:21-23 (NKJV) ²¹ So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you." 22 And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³ If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

Luke 24:49 (NKJV)

49 Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high."

YOU'VE GOT A BIG JOB TO DO...

You need the Promise of the Father.
You need
The HOLY SPIRIT

Acts 1:4-5 (NKJV)

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 (baptize—to be fully whelmed, make wet) with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

Acts 1:8 (NKJV)

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

II. A NEW DAY— THE FULFILLMENT OF PROMISE

Acts 2:1-4 (NKJV)

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.

Acts 2:4 (NKJV)

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

Acts 2:15-18 (NKJV)

15 For these are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. 16 But this is what (KJV: THIS IS THAT) was spoken by the prophet Joel: 17 'And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, That I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your young men shall see visions, Your old men shall dream dreams.

Acts 2:15-18 (NKJV)

18 And on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days; And they shall prophesy.

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The immersion of the believer into the HOLY SPIRIT HIMSELF.

THE HOLY SPIRIT

- Teaches
- Leads
- Guides
- · Convicts
- He digs out our ears to Hear Him More.
- He prompts us to hear and respond to God.

3 Major outpourings in the 20th Century alone.

- 1. AZUZA STREET
- 2. LATTER RAIN OUTPOURING
- 3. THE CHARISMATIC MOVE

Acts 2:38-39 (NKJV)

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 is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call."

WE ARE CONTINUATIONISTS

III. THE RESULTS? AN ALIVE FAITH!

NEW BOLDNESS

Acts 3:6-8 (KJV)

⁶ Then Peter said, Silver and gold have I none; but *such as I have give I thee:* In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk. 7 And he took him by the right hand, and lifted him up: and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength. 8 And he leaping up stood, and walked, and entered with them into the temple, walking, and leaping, and praising God.

A separate experience from Water Baptism

1. SAMARIA Acts 8:8—great joy in that city! BUT something was missing...

Acts 8:14-17 (NKJV)

...they sent Peter and John to them, who when they had come down, prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit. For as yet He had fallen upon none of them. They had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

2. CORNELIUS' HOUSE Acts 10:44-45 NKJV

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.

2. CORNELIUS' HOUSE Acts 10:46-48 NKJV

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....

3. THE EPHESIAN BELIEVERS Acts 19: 4-6 NKJV

⁴ Then Paul said, "John indeed baptized with a baptism of repentance, saying to the people that they should believe on Him who would 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 hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, they spoke with tongues and prophesied

Speaking in tongues is the most common resulting sign...

But not the ONLY sign.

IV. THIS IS AVAILABLE FOR ALL BELIEVERS

Acts 2:39

³⁹ For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call."

PERSONAL DEVOTIONAL PRAYER LANGUAGE vs. CONGREGATIONAL OFFICE GIFT

1 Corinthians 14:4-5 NKJV

4 He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself, but he who prophesies edifies the church. 5 I wish you all spoke with tongues, but even more that you prophesied; for he who prophesies is greater than he who speaks with tongues, unless indeed he interprets, that the church may receive edification.

1 Corinthians 14:39 (NKJV)

Therefore, brethren, desire earnestly to prophesy, and do not forbid to speak with tongues.

Interlinear Greek-English NT, Nestle-Marshall 1 Corinthians 14:5

Now I wish you all to speak in tongues, but rather in order that ye may prophesy...

1 Corinthians 12: Office gifts in the church Setting, GOD to man

1 Corinthians 14: Personal prayer language, man to God.

1 Cor. 14:5: I would that you all spoke in tongues

1 Cor 14:18 (NASB): I thank God, I speak in tongues more than you all...

God wants us all to receive

Ephesians 5:17-18(NKJV): ¹⁷ ... understand what the will of the Lord is. ¹⁸ And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit...

Jude 1:20 (NKJV) ²⁰ But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit...

V. THE BENEFITS The Holy Spirit:

1. Prays Through You and For you.

Romans 8:26-27 (NKJV) ²⁶ Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. 27 ... He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

2. WORSHIP FATHER GOD

Acts 10:46 (NKJV) 46 For they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God.

Philippians 3:3 (NKJV) ³ For we are the circumcision, who worship God in the Spirit, rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh

1 Corinthians 14:15 (NKJV) ... I will pray with the spirit, and I will also pray with the understanding. I will sing with the spirit, and I will also sing with the understanding.

3. THE HOLY SPIRIT IS OUR TEACHER

John 16:13 (NKJV) ¹³ However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come.

IV. CONVICTS US OF SIN

John 16:8 (NKJV) ⁸ And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment

5. HELPS US IN BOLD SPIRITUAL WARFARE

Ephesians 6:17-18 (NKJV) ¹⁷ And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God; ¹⁸ praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit...

Mark 16:17 (NKJV)¹⁷ And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues;

6. GIVES US POWER IN EVANGELISM

Acts 1:8 (NKJV) ⁸ But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me ..."

VI. HOW DO YOU RECEIVE?

Repent and renounce any known sin, as well as any occult activity

Acts 19:18-20 (NKJV) 18 And many who had believed came confessing and telling their deeds. 19 Also, many of those who had practiced magic brought their books together and burned them in the sight of all. And they counted up the value of them, and it totaled fifty thousand pieces of silver. 20 So the word of the Lord grew mightily and prevailed

VI. HOW DO YOU RECEIVE?

Deuteronomy 18:9-11 (NLT) 9 "When you enter the land the LORD your God is giving you, be very careful not to imitate the detestable customs of the nations living there. 10 For example, never sacrifice your son or daughter as a burnt offering. And do not let your people practice fortune-telling, or use sorcery, or interpret omens, or engage in witchcraft, ¹¹or cast spells, or function as mediums or psychics, or call forth the spirits of the dead.

Deuteronomy 18:12-14 NLV

12 anyone who does these things is detestable to the LORD. It is because the other nations have done these detestable things that the LORD your God will drive them out ahead of you. 13 But you must be blameless before the LORD your God. 14 The nations you are about to displace consult sorcerers and fortune-tellers, but the LORD your God forbids you to do such things."

BE PERSISTENT.

Luke 11:9-11 Amplified Bible (AMP)

⁹ "So I say to you, ask and keep on asking, and it will be given to you; seek and keep on seeking, and you will find; knock and keep on knocking, and the door will be opened to you. ¹⁰ For everyone who [a]keeps on asking [persistently], receives; and he who keeps on seeking [persistently], finds; and to him who keeps on knocking [persistently], the door will be opened.

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Luke 11:12-13 Amplified Bible (AMP)

11 What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead of a fish? 12 Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? 13 If you, then, being evil [that is, sinful by nature], know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask and continue to ask Him!"

HOW?

- 1. SOME ON THEIR OWN.
- 2. RECEIVE THE LAYING ON OF HANDS.
- 3. BEGIN TO PRAISE GOD OUTLOUD. You do all that YOU can do; God does what only HE can do.

COOPERATE WITH HIM. Step out in faith and courage. ENJOY a Fresh move of God.

He's here to meet you. We're here to help.



We're sailing on in Launching Your Faith

HE WANTS YOU TO HAVE MORE. ENJOY the LORD and SAIL ON WITH HIM.