

The Baptism in the Spirit
Living in the Spirit – Part 2
Life Church St. Louis – September 25, 2016
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Acts 2:38 (NIV) 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.

John 14:17 (NIV) the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.

John 20:22 (NIV) And with that he breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit.

Luke 24:49 (NIV) I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

1. Why receive Spirit _____?

Mark 1:8 (NIV) I baptize you with water, but he [Jesus] will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

1A. Jesus _____ Spirit baptism

Acts 1:4-5 (NIV) On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: “Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”

Acts 2:39 (NIV) The promise [gift of the Holy Spirit] is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”

1B. Spirit baptism gives _____ to witness

Acts 1:8 (NIV) But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

2. How to _____ Spirit baptism

2A. Prepare by repentant _____

Acts 5:32 (NIV) We are witnesses of these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.”

2B. Ask in _____

Luke 11:13 (NIV) 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!”

2C. Begin to speak in _____ by faith

Acts 2:4 (NIV) All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

3. The _____ of Spirit baptism

3A. The Spirit will _____ to you

John 16:13 (NIV) But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the 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.

3B. The Spirit will _____ through you

Romans 8:26-27 (NIV) In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God’s people in accordance with the will of God.

3C. The Spirit will give _____ to you

1 Corinthians 12:7 (NIV) Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.

Action Plan for This Week

- Have a daily quiet time of Bible reading, prayer & writing.
 - Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun
- Study Acts 1-2, 8, 10-11 and 19 about Holy Spirit baptism.
- Invite your friends, relatives, workmates & neighbors to our Sunday service.

The Baptism in the Spirit Study Guide

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Intro. According to Acts 2:38, what are the three aspects of entrance into a full Christian life?

Why do you think that water baptism and Spirit baptism are so controversial, when God's Word is clear (2 Timothy 4:3-4, 1 Peter 5:8)?

According to John 14:17, what would change for the disciples regarding the Spirit when Jesus rose from the dead?

How does the parallelism between Genesis 2:7 and John 20:22, tell you about what happened in John 20:22?

Since the disciples were born again in John 20:22, what else were they lacking (Luke 24:49)?

1A. Why do you think it's important to understand that Jesus is the baptizer in the Spirit (Mark 1:8)?

1B. What can you see in Acts 1:4-5 that tells you of the importance of Spirit baptism?

1C. How does Acts 2:39 refute the false statement that Spirit baptism was only for the early church?

1D. What does Acts 1:8 tell you about the primary purpose of Spirit baptism?

1E. What does Paul's question of some disciples in Acts 19:2 tell you about the relationship between salvation and Spirit baptism?

1F. What do you think hinders people from being Spirit baptized?

2A. Why is obedience necessary to receive Spirit baptism (Acts 5:32)?

2B. How does Jesus' promise in Luke 11:13 refute the false teaching that Spirit baptism automatically happens at salvation?

2C. What is the common evidence of Spirit baptism in Acts 2:4, 10:45-47, 11:15-17 and 19:6?

2D. Is there anything keeping you from seeking Spirit baptism? If so, what?

3A. What is the benefit of clearly hearing the Spirit's voice (John 16:13)?

3B. What is the power in praying in tongues so that the Spirit prays a perfect prayer through you (Romans 8:26-27, 1 Corinthians 14:4)?

3C. How is Spirit baptism the gateway to spiritual gifts (1 Corinthians 12:7-11)?

3D. In what ways is Spirit baptism the starting point for the Christian life?

3E. What other questions about Spirit baptism would you like answered?