## **Find Blessing**

Live Out God's Purpose – Part 1
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Acts 2:38 (ESV) And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you

١	will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.			
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I.	Acts 19:1b-2 (ESV) Paul passed through the inland country and came to Ephesus. There he found some disciples. And he said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" And they said, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit."			
5 1	Acts 19:3-4 (ESV) And he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They said, "Into John's baptism." And Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, Jesus."			
L	Acts 19:5-6 (ESV) On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they began speaking in tongues and prophesying.			
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(	Ephesians 1:3 (ESV) Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places,			

	Ephesians 1:4 (ESV) even as he chose us in him before the foundation of th world, that we should be holy and blameless before him.				
	Ephesians 1:7 (ESV) In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of his grace,				
	Ephesians 1:9 (ESV) making known to us the mystery of his will, according this purpose, which he set forth in Christ				
3.	in the Holy Spirit				
	Ephesians 1:11 (ESV) In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will,				
	Ephesians 1:13 (ESV) In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,				
	Ephesians 1:14 (ESV) who is the guarantee of our inheritance until we acquire possession of it, to the praise of his glory.				
Action Plan for This Week					
[	☐ Have a daily time of Bible reading & prayer (Read Acts 19, Ephesians 1)☐ Mon☐ Tue☐ Wed☐ Thu☐ Fri☐ Sat☐ Sun☐				
[	☐ Invite a friend to attend the service next week.				
Į	☐ How will I obey God's Word this week?				

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Intro.	How would you describe the importance of the three essential experiences commanded in Acts 2:38?	2A.	What does it mean to be blessed with every spiritual blessing (Ephesians 1:3-4)?
Intro.	Describe how the three experiences in Acts 2:38 were restored in church history.	2B.	Why is salvation by faith through God's grace, not by works, so important (Ephesians 1:7)?
Intro.	How does the restoration of Acts 2:38 explain the existence of different types of denominations?	2C.	How does God make known to believers the mystery of His will (Ephesians 1:9)?
Intro.	In what ways does the restoration of Spirit baptism in the last century prepare the church for the fulfillment of the Great Commission and the return of Christ?	2D.	How can personalizing and speaking Scriptures of blessing to oneself help you grow spiritually?
		3A.	What is the inheritance that God has for every believer (Ephesians 1:11)?
1A.	How does the deficient teaching of Apollos in Acts 18:25 explain why the Ephesian disciples were only saved (Acts 19:1-2)?		
		3B.	How does the Holy Spirit seal every believer when they are saved (Ephesians 1:13-14)?
1B.	How does Paul's question in Acts 19:2 prove that Spirit baptism is not automatic at salvation?		
		3C.	What roles does the Holy Spirit play in the life of the Spirit baptized believer?
1C.	Why is believer's baptism by immersion so essential (Acts 19:3-4, Matthew 28:18-20)?		

1D.

to be Spirit baptized?

What was the outward evidence that the Ephesian disciples were Spirit

baptized (Acts 19:5-6)? Why should we pray, like Paul, for every believer