

Who Is the Holy Spirit & the Baptism of the Holy Spirit
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Introduction

- You can Know About _____ and Still Miss Life_____ God
- Scripture presents the Christian life as Spirit-empowered, not self-sustained.
- Biblical teaching produces clarity, confidence, and hunger, not fear.
- A right understanding of the Spirit fuels both assurance and obedience.

Part 1: Who is the Holy Spirit?

- The Holy Spirit is Not an _____, He is _____ (Matthew 28:19).
 - Third person of the Trinity who creates, regenerates, and sanctifies.
- Question: Do I relate to the Holy Spirit as a real person I depend on—or as an idea I acknowledge? What does my daily life reveal?

Part 2: The Attributes of the Holy Spirit

- The Power of the Holy Spirit Is Never the _____, Our _____ Is
- The Spirit is:
 - _____ (knows all things, even the depths of God). (1 Cor. 2:10)
 - _____ (present everywhere simultaneously). (1 Cor. 2:10)
 - _____ (divine power at work in creation & salvation). (Luke 1:35)
 - _____, not created or temporary. (Hebrews 9:14)
- Question: If the Spirit who lives in me is all-powerful, where might my lack of surrender be limiting His work in my life?

Part 3: The Holy Spirit in the Old Testament

- The Holy Spirit Has _____ Been Actively _____.
 - The Spirit empowered individuals for leadership, wisdom, craftsmanship, and courage. His work was selective and task-specific, not absent.
 - Empowerment often came temporarily for specific moments or callings.
 - The Spirit restrained evil, brought judgment, and directed God's people.
 - The Old Testament consistently presents the Spirit as active and divine.
 - Num. 27:18; Deut. 34:9; Judg. 3:10, 6:34, 11:29, 13:25; 14:6, 19; 15:14; 1 Sam. 11:6; 16:13, 19:20-23; Ex. 31:3; 35:31; Ezek. 11:5
- Question: What specific task, responsibility, or calling might God want to empower me for, rather than asking me to do it in my own strength?

Part 4: The Holy Spirit Within People in the Old Testament

- The Spirit Worked Within People Before _____, But Something _____ Was Coming
 - Some OT believers clearly experienced the Spirit within them.
 - Jesus' words point to greater fullness, not prior absence.
 - The new covenant promises a permanent indwelling of the Spirit.
 - Pentecost fulfills prophetic expectation, not theological contradiction.
 - Spirit's work moves from selective empowerment to universal indwelling.
- Question: Am I trying to live for God instead of learning to live with God, and how would my pace, joy, or peace change if I truly depended on the Spirit?

Part 5: Why The Holy Spirit Matters

- Christian Life Was Never Meant to Be Lived _____, The Spirit Is Our _____ (John 14).
 - The Spirit applies salvation personally to believers.
 - He teaches, guides, convicts, comforts, and empowers.
 - Conviction is meant to lead to repentance and freedom, not shame.
 - The Spirit enables obedience that human effort cannot sustain.
 - Christianity without the Spirit becomes moralism, not transformation.
- Question: If the same Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead lives in me, what fear, habit, or limitation do I need to stop accepting as "just the way I am"?

Part 6: The Holy Spirit Lives in Believers

- The Holy Spirit Doesn't _____ Believers, He Lives ____ Them (Romans 8:11)
 - Every true believer is indwelt by the Holy Spirit at conversion.
 - The Spirit's indwelling is permanent, not seasonal.
 - Indwelling guarantees adoption, assurance, and future resurrection.
 - While all believers have the Spirit, not all rely on Him equally.
 - Growth: learning to walk in dependence on the Spirit already given.
- Question: Do I rest in the truth that I fully belong to Christ through salvation, or have I subtly believed there are "levels" of Christianity?

Part 7: Baptism in The Holy Spirit

- _____ in the Holy Spirit is the _____ Into New Life
- Matt 3:1; Mark 1:8; Luke 3:16; John 1:33; Acts 1:5
 - Baptism in the Spirit unites believers to Christ and His body.
 - It is not a second experience, but part of conversion itself.
 - All believers share this baptism equally.
 - Scripture never commands believers to seek Spirit baptism after conversion.
 - Confusing baptism with filling leads to unnecessary division.
- Question: How do I respond when others grow differently than I do, and does my posture reflect humility and unity or comparison and pride?

Part 8: Pentecost as a Transition

- Pentecost Was a _____ Moment, Not a Repeated _____
 - Pentecost marks the beginning of the new covenant era.
 - The delay of the Spirit for the disciples was historically unique.
 - Today, believers receive the Spirit immediately at salvation.
- Question: What would it look like for me to pray daily, “Holy Spirit, fill me again,” and actually expect God to meet me there?

Part 9: Empowerment without Division

- The Holy Spirit Produces _____, Not Spiritual _____
 - Scripture teaches degrees of maturity, not classes of Christians.
 - Spiritual growth varies in pace and expression.
 - No gift or experience makes one believer more saved than another.
 - Unity must be preserved even amid different experiences.
 - The Spirit’s work always builds the body—it never fractures it.

Part 10: Be Filled with the Spirit

- Being Filled With the Spirit Is _____, and Empowerment Is _____
 - Varying Language: Filled, Baptism, and Empowerment
 - Believers are commanded to be continually filled with the Spirit.
 - Repeated filling leads to boldness, obedience, and joy.
 - Empowerment flows from surrender, not striving.

Part 11: Do You Need Tongues to be Spirit-Filled?

- Spiritual Power Has _____ Evidences, And None Should _____ the Church
 - Power; Wisdom; Boldness; Prophecy; Faith; Maturity

Conclusion: Salvation Brings the Spirit, Filling Sustains Us, Growth Unites Us