

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW



In John 3:5 Jesus says, Truly, Truly, I say unto thee, except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter the Kingdom of God.

“That which is born of the flesh (carnally minded, human nature with it’s frailties, moral and physical, and passions) and that which is born of the Spirit (Christ’s Spirit, the Holy Spirit) is spirit.”

“Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.”

“The wind bloweth where it pleases and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and wither it goeth: so is every one that is born (regenerated, conceived) of the Spirit.”

John 3:6-8

“That whosoever believeth (is committed to, entrusts his spiritual well being to Christ) in Him should not perish but have eternal life.”

“For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”

“For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved.”

John 3:15-18

In Peter’s first sermon after he was filled with the Holy Ghost and now had great boldness, he said,

“Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

For the promise (Holy Ghost) is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.”
Acts 2:38, 39

Luke 11:13 says, “If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your Heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him!”

You have to repent for your sins and ask Jesus to come into your life and change you, to be born again. You have to surrender your life to Him and let Him lead you. You must have a relationship with Him that lasts into Eternity.

The Holy Spirit is the Comforter He promised in John 14:16. It says, “And I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Comforter, that He may abide with you for ever!”

He will fill you with great joy and will be there to comfort and guide you through life. The Holy Spirit is a wonderful gift! I have it and I don’t know how I could live without it, now that I have it!

Jesus baptizes with the Holy Ghost. Acts 1:5 “For John truly baptized with water: but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.” The disciples were told to tarry in Jerusalem and pray for the promise of the Father (the Holy Ghost) until they received it so they would then have power and boldness to witness the gospel and the help of the Holy Ghost to direct them. The Holy Ghost told them where to go to spread the gospel.

An example of that is: Acts 13:2-4:

“As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them.”

“And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away.”

“So they, being sent forth by the Holy Ghost departed unto Seleucia; and from thence they sailed to Cyprus.”

This wasn’t just for the disciples, soon to be called Apostles. The Holy Ghost was for everyone. Read how the Gentiles received the Holy Ghost in Acts 10:44-46:

"While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the Word. And they of the Circumcision (the Jews) which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the Holy Ghost.

"For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God!"

"Then in Acts 19 Paul said to the people there "Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there by any Holy Ghost."

Verse 6: "And when Paul laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them: and they spake with tongues and prophesied."

Read all about how to be baptized in Acts 10:47, 48 and 19:3-5, and how Jesus was baptized in Matthew 3:16 and Mark 1:10. In addition read Mark 1:5, and John 3:23.

Jesus and the apostles are our example of how to baptize. We are to be baptized in Jesus Name by immersion.

We are only to be baptized when we are old enough to know what sin is and be able to repent for our sins and commit our life to Christ.

In Chapter 9 Paul was baptized and received the Holy Ghost and then he was sent out to preach the gospel.

Having the Baptism of the Holy Ghost can make you bold enough to go and tell everyone about Jesus when before you felt like you just weren't brave enough to do it.

Acts 2:16-18 says that Jesus is still pouring out His Spirit upon all people:

"And it shall come to pass in the last days (the last days started after Jesus rose from the dead) saith God, I will pour out of My Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: and on My handmaidens I will pour out in those days of My Spirit; and they shall prophesy...

Pouring out His Spirit means being filled with the Holy Ghost and speaking with tongues as the Spirit gives the utterance.

The Baptism of the Holy Ghost, in other words being filled with His Spirit is the most wondrous thing that you can receive on Earth in addition to receiving Jesus Christ as your Saviour! It brings you more joy than you can take in, if you continue to seek fellowship with Jesus and keep reading and studying and pondering in your Bible, and keep obeying what you read. Most of what we obey is written in the New Testament. We don't obey the old laws anymore, but there are great riches in the Old Testament too.

The Holy Ghost guides and teaches you and gives you comfort. It holds you up spiritually when you are too weak to stand on your own.

When you are filled with His Spirit you will speak with tongues as the Spirit gives the utterance and every time you praise and worship Him you will find yourself speaking in tongues again. It just comes naturally and it fills you with so much joy!! He will pray for you in the Spirit when you don't even know what to pray for yourself as you speak in tongues.

I strongly encourage you to seek this Gift. If you ask, He isn't going to give you something evil but something good!

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