

# *Resurrection Life of Jesus Church*

## THE LIFE OF JESUS

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### PART 22: THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

#### HISTORY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

John the Baptist declared that Jesus was going to baptize people with the Holy Ghost and fire. **Luke 3:15-16**

No one in the Old Testament had been baptized in the Holy Spirit; they were anointed by the Holy Spirit. **Judges 14:5-6; John 7:37-39**

The apostles were saved (born again) when they believed and confessed that Jesus was the Messiah and Son of God. **John 16:13-17**

Most of the disciples did not believe that Jesus was in fact the Messiah and Son of God until after the resurrection. This is when they were saved and sealed by the Holy Spirit. **John 20:19-22; Ephesians 1:12-14**

- ❖ You are saved by grace, not by works. **Ephesians 2:8-9**
- ❖ You are baptized in water through immersion *because* you are saved, not to be saved! **Acts 2:40-42**
- ❖ You are baptized in the Holy Spirit *because* you are saved! **Acts 19:1-5**

Water baptism is carried out by humans, but the baptism of the Holy Spirit is done by the Holy Spirit. **Acts 1:8**

#### THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

The first recorded baptism of the Holy Spirit is found in the Book of Acts. Let's document the moves that led to this historic event:

- ❖ The disciples were ordered to return to Jerusalem and wait for the event to happen. **Acts 1:4-5**
- ❖ They were obedient and gathered during the daylight hours in the Upper Room, praying and waiting for the Holy Ghost. **verses 12-14**
- ❖ Obedience to God is a essential for the baptism of the Holy Spirit. **Acts 5:31-32**
- ❖ Pentecost means 50 days after the Passover. Jesus was three days in Paradise and then spent 40 days with the disciples before His ascension. That leaves just seven days. After praying and seeking the Lord in the Upper Room, they were finally in one accord; there was no strife, only obedience. **Acts 2:1**

The 120 followers of Jesus were eagerly waiting for the Holy Spirit to come and expected it could happen any time. They had no idea of what the Holy Spirit was going to do when the Holy Ghost fire suddenly fell upon them. **verses 2-3**

They did not know about speaking in other tongues, but as the Holy Spirit surged through them, they began to speak fluently in unknown languages. **verse 4**



The 120 followers of Jesus left the Upper Room and poured out into the streets of Jerusalem speaking the languages of the visiting Jews from other nations. **verses 4-11**

This was a supernatural event since most of Jesus followers were from Galilee and were not educated but they were preaching about Jesus and His resurrection. People were perplexed how this was happening. Some thought they were drunk, but that would be a first; imagine getting drunk and speaking a brand new language that you have never heard or studied before! **verses 12-13**

## **THE FIRST SERMON**

Peter was no longer intimidated; he was a new person after being filled with the Holy Spirit. The words he spoke had the convicting power of the Holy Spirit. **Acts 2:14-21**

## **HOW TO BE BAPTIZED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT**

How does someone get baptized in the Holy Spirit?

1. You must be born again (saved). **Romans 10:9-11**
2. Sometimes the Holy Spirit just comes upon a person. **Acts 10:44-48**
3. Most of the time it is necessary for you to ask God to baptize you in the Holy Spirit. **Luke 11:9-13**
4. You cannot harbor any unforgiveness or bitterness. **Matthew 6:14-15**
5. You must receive it in faith; it is a gift from God. **Hebrews 11:1-6**

***Remember, it's not so important how you begin your life after salvation, but how you finish it!***

***Do you have an ear to hear with?***