

What's It All About? (Part 7) Holy Spirit Baptism: What's the *Why*? Pastors Panel June 5, 2022

SERIES TEXT: For from Him and through Him and to Him are all things. To Him be the glory forever! Amen. Romans 11:36 NIV

BIG IDEA: The doorway to discovering faith, life and meaning is Jesus, Who proclaims, "I am the door." (John 10:9 KJV)

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HOLY SPIRIT BAPTISM: WHAT'S THE WHY?

- With over 7.753B opinions worldwide, Jesus says, "You will receive <u>POWER</u> when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, <u>TELLING</u> PEOPLE ABOUT ME EVERYWHERE..."
 Jesus, Acts 1:8 NLT
- When the day of Pentecost came, they were all TOGETHER... All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other <u>TONGUES</u>... Acts 2:1, 4 NIV
- Like an empowered light, tongues is observable evidence of The Holy Spirit's power inside of you.
- WARNING: Scripture (Acts 2) notes the Spirit-filled as:
 - 1) <u>Awed</u>
 - 2) Perplexed
 - 3) Ridiculed: Others in the crowd RIDICULED them... Acts 2:13 NLT
 - Then Peter stood up... "I can tell you <u>CONFIDENTLY</u>..." Acts 2:14
- "'Everyone who calls on The Name of The Lord will be saved.'" Peter, Acts 2:21 (intertextual echo of Joel 2:32)
- Each of you must repent of your sins and TURN TO GOD, and be baptized in the Name of JESUS Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. Then you will receive the gift of The HOLY SPIRIT. THIS PROMISE IS TO YOU, YOUR CHILDREN, AND TO THOSE FAR AWAY – <u>ALL</u>... Acts 2:38-39 NLT

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- www.opentheword.org
- "Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own." 1 Corinthians 6:19 ESV
- "In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams." Acts 2:17
- Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you?
 1 Corinthians 3:16 ESV
- But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. Galatians 5:22-23
- "He must increase, but I must decrease." John 3:30 NKJ

"Our Source of enablement has not changed: 'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit, says The Lord Almighty' (Zechariah 4:6)" - Dr. Timothy Laurito Speaking in Tongues: Why and How We Should Seek God for a Fresh Outpouring of The Holy Spirit

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Holy Communion Scripture:

For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

1 Corinthians 11:23-26 NIV

