

## Baptism of the Holy Spirit —part 2

I Baptism of the Holy Spirit did not occur in the OT nor in any previous dispensation.

II Five Salvation ministries of the Holy Spirit

III The Baptism of the Holy Spirit is first mentioned as a Prophecy from Jesus Christ.

IV The mechanics of the Baptism of the Spirit are explained in Acts 2 and 1 Cor. 13:13. Baptism means Identification.

(a) There are four real baptisms or identifications in the Bible

(1) Baptism of Moses 1 Cor. 10:2

(2) Baptism of the cross upon Jesus Christ was identified with the sins of the world. Matt. 20:22

(3) Baptism of fire Matt. 3:11

(4) Baptism of the Holy Spirit

(b) There are also three ritual baptisms

(1) Baptism of John with water identified with redemption and Jesus Christ.

(2) Baptism of Jesus Identified with Plan of God

(3) Baptism of believers in Church Age Identified with Jesus

(a) In the part of the Church Age of the Apostolic Age before the Completed Canon of Scripture.

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(b) The Greek verb, baptize, outside of the Gospels, occurred some 20 times. The Greek verb was used referring to the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, in chapter 1.

1. Acts 2 the verb baptize was used twice referring to Jews being baptized under the baptism of repentance as John did.

2. Acts 8 the verb was used referring to Samaria as moving the beginning of the Church Age. In Acts 8 the Ethiopian believed in Jesus and was baptized. And in Acts 9 the strong Jewish leader, Saul whose name was changed to Paul was baptized to lead the Jews to the fullness of baptism.

3. Gentiles were baptized in chapter 10.

4. The discussion of the baptism by the Holy Spirit is spoken of in chapter 11.

5. The opening of the Church Age in Europe began as it did in Jerusalem with water baptism in chapter 16 also in chapter 16 some Gentiles were baptized.

6. In chapter 18 there were in Corinth some Gentiles were baptized the first time Paul came to Corinth. However after that there is no mention of baptisms, in fact in Corinth Paul speaks of baptism in a derogatory manner.

7. In chapter 19:4 baptism is spoken of in reference to the baptism of John and then some were baptized in water in Ephesus.

8. The last time Baptism is mentioned in Acts are in the entire writings of the NT was in Acts 22 where Paul was speaking to the Jews in Jerusalem.

9. The Greek noun: baptism was used some 10 times outside of the four gospels. Acts 1:22, Rom. 6:4; Eph. 4:5; Col. 2:12 and 1 Peter 3:21 Acts 10:37; Acts 13:24; Acts 18:25 and Acts 19:3 it is never uses of water baptism of the Church Age. This of course means the noun is used but one time in the book of Acts.

10. The reference to baptism is not mentioned in chapter 3-the healing of the beggar and Peter's second great sermon with no mentioning of baptism. Not mentioned in chapter 4 with the great teaching of the apostles with no mention of baptism. It was not mentioned in chapter 5 where it was not mentioned in the long message to the Jews.

It was not mentioned in chapter 6 under the discussion of choosing of workers in the church

In the great chapter 7 of Stephen, baptism is not mentioned

It is not mentioned in 12

Baptism is not mentioned in the First Missionary Journey in

Chapter 13, except in a discussion of John's baptism, which really emphasizes the absence of water baptism of the Church.

What is interesting as in chapter 14 in the discussion of Paul's

problems in Iconium in the argument with Jews baptism was not mentioned.

The all important Council at Jerusalem in chapter 15 there is no mention of baptism, neither of John's or baptism in the Church.

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Baptism is not mentioned in Thessalonica, in chapter 17, not is it mentioned in Berea and not in great teaching of Athens on Mar's Hill.

Baptism is not mentioned in chapter 20 under Paul's teaching at Macedonia and Greece.

Baptism is not mentioned in Paul's sheep trip in chapter 21 from Miletus where Paul taught in Tyre and no mention of Baptism there nor in Ptolemais nor in Caesarea, then Paul goes back to Jerusalem and never mentions baptism.

In chapter 23 at the Council in Jerusalem there is no mention of Baptism. This means in some 12 Chapters Baptism is not even mentioned.

11. But, as we know one commandment is all that is mentioned in the Word of God, but never are all the people commanded to be baptized.

12. So Water Baptism for the Church was not usually mentioned.

(c) The water baptism was replaced by the Study of the Word of God.

Baptism has been replaced by the teaching of the Word of God. Paul moved to the teaching of the Word of God. Multitude of people are more into baptism than for daily sitting down

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throughout one's life learning the word of God. Believers are to deal more with spiritual baptism, not a water baptism. So all believers, at the moment of salvation are entered into union with

Christ. But so many believers use other things to be in union with Christ, like baptism or union to a denomination all instead of coming together to study and worship God. Heb. 10:23 Let's hold firmly to the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful; 24 and let's consider how to encourage one another in love and good deeds, 25 not abandoning our own meeting together, as is the habit of some people, but encouraging one another; and all the more as you see the day drawing near.

Every person who believes in Jesus Christ are designed to unity with one another in the word of God. So all of us at the moment of salvation were entered into union with Christ, whether slave or free, we are all in union with Christ. Whether a believer is successful or unsuccessful in human standards, regardless of race, color or creed all believers are entered into union with Christ and this is the only basis of unity in the entire <sup>c</sup>church

→ Sge. As Paul opened Christianity throughout the world, he never even mentioned once baptism, but over and over he  
✓ encouraged Christians to come together for the communion and to study the Word of God and to worship together.

This unity is expressed by a command to love one another. This means other members of the family of God encouraging each other in the Christian life.

The mechanics of baptism, God the Holy Spirit takes every believer at the point of salvation and enters him into union with Christ. This and the growth in the Word of God was far more important than any other activity between believers.

Col. 3:16 Let the word of Christ richly dwell within you, with all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, singing with thankfulness in your hearts to God.

A few other passages teach the importance of Bible Doctrine than other things. Psa 34:3; Psa. 66:4 Heb.. 13:15; Eph. 5:19; Heb. 12:28-28•, Rom. 12:1-2•, Luke 4:8•, Psa. 95:6•, 1 Thess. 4:16-18•, 1 Cor. 14:15.

## V. Definition of Baptism

1. Greek word is baptize and means to dip, to immerse, to submerge for a number of reasons.

2. This Greek word for our study in the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, the word metaphorically gives four basic idea/. (1) Identification: By the Baptism of the Holy Spirit we are identified with Jesus Christ

→ (2) Induction: By the Baptism of the Holy Spirit we are inducted into the Body of Jesus Christ.

(3) Initiation: By the Baptism of Jesus Christ we are initiated into the New Age or the Church-Age.

(4) Association: By the Baptism of the Holy Spirit we are placed into Association with Jesus Christ and all that He is.

## VI. Characteristics of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit

First it is Universal---given to every person, any person who believes in Jesus Christ as Savior from the day of Pentecost to the Rapture of the Church.

1 Cor. 12:13 For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one  
— body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and  
we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Eph. 4:4 There is one body and one Spirit, just as also you were  
called in one hope of your calling;  
5 one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

Secondly: No one is to ask for the Baptism of the Holy Spirit  
nor to be baptized by the Holy Spirit. No where in Scripture are  
we instructed to ask for or seek or even desire the Baptism of  
the Holy Spirit. It is a free gift from God to everyone who  
believes in Jesus Christ as Savior, it is received by grace.

Third: Baptism of the Holy Spirit is non-experiential. It does  
not come by spiritual growth nor is it associated with  
experiential or physical experience.

Fourth: The Baptism of the Holy Spirit occurs at the point of  
faith in Jesus Christ along with the Indwelling of the Holy Spirit  
and the Sealing by Holy Spirit; along with 33 other things you  
receive at the point of Salvation.

VII. The Unification of believers is achieved by the baptism of  
the Holy Spirit. Understanding of Eph. 4:5 is very important.  
One Lord, one faith, one baptism

This has nothing to do with water baptism. It has only to do  
with baptism of the Holy Spirit and more with identification.  
One Lord we all have the same Lord, and it is not by something  
we do but He does it all. And Jesus Christ is the Lord of all and  
He is Lord whether you recognize Him or not. This happens

wherever one is throughout the world, regardless of race, freedom, or in Communism, or Secular Humanism, Marxism, Cosmic Humanism or Post-Modernism, if one believes in Jesus Christ as their Savior they are in the One Lord, by One Faith under One Baptism—that is the baptism of the Holy Spirit. We are not saved by inviting Jesus into our hearts, we are not saved by raising our hands or walking an aisle, by feeling sorry for our sins, we are not saved by anything we do. We are saved by faith alone in Christ alone. "One Lord, one faith, one baptism" and the one baptism occurs at the moment we believe in Christ, it is by entrance into union with Christ, it has nothing to do with water. A person may be in Communism and makes a decision to believe in Jesus Christ and tells no one, and does nothing but by faith they are changed for all eternity.

The implication of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit provides spiritual equality not any physical change.

VIII. The Baptism of the Holy Spirit is unique to the Church Age . This is one of the primary points on why the Church Age began on the Day of Pentecost recorded in Acts 2. Jesus Christ had to leave planet earth and be glorified by God the Father only then can we be baptized in Christ.

IX. The Baptism of the Holy Spirit is distinct to the ChurchAge, not the age of Israel

Acts 1:5 for John baptized with water, but you will be futurebaptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." 10 days to the Day of Pentecost recorded in Acts 2. Future to Jesus

Christ departure from earth to the Throne of God in the Third Heaven.

Acts 11:15 "And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as He did upon us at the beginning. Specifically identifying the beginning of the C-A with the Bapt. of HS 16 "And I remembered the word of the Lord, how He used to say, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.'

X. Current Positional Truth. Have you ever heard of Current Positional Truth? Well, the basis of Current positional truth is the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and Retroactive Positional Truth Eph.1:3-6 Col. 2:12 and Rom. 6:3-4 and col 2:10 we are not only identified with Christ at the right hand of the Father, but we are identified with Christ in His death

XI Pertinent passages on the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

(1) All four of the Gospels prophesied the coming of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Matt. 3:11; Mark 1:8; Luke 24:49; John 1:33 & Acts 1:5

(2) Acts 2:1-4 records the historical beginning of Baptism of Holy Spirit and therefore the beginning of the Church-Age.

(3) 1 Cor. 12:12-13 It is very important as to where Paul now speaks of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. The Corinthian church was splitting into factions over the issue of spiritual gifts.

Overemphasis on certain spectacular gifts had led to the attitude that some believers had the more desirable gifts, while

others had lesser gifts. In response, to this splitting issue, Paul exclaims, "We're all one! Do not separate from One Another because of Spiritual Gifts. And to prove his point, he explains, "For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit" (verse 13)

(4) Gal. 3:27 For all of you who believe in Jesus Christ as Savior who were baptized at the point of faith in Jesus Christ, a believer is baptized, or put into the body of Jesus Christ; the body of Jesus Christ is made up of believers all over the world into Christ, next we have yet another description of Baptism of Holy Spirit have clothed yourselves with Christ.

The cherished name 'Christian' started out as a derogatory remark meaning: 'little Christ' the idea was you have no self identity, you cannot think for yourself, you think like Jesus Christ. How I wish this were true of everyone who has believed in Jesus Christ.

(5) Eph. 4:4-6•,

4 There is one body while the church is so divided between denominations and movements there is one universal body, the body of Christ and one Spirit, of referring to God the Holy Spirit just as also you were called in one hope/confidence of your calling;

5 one Lord, Jesus the Christ

one faith, faith in Jesus Christ to enter into this body

one baptism, which unites all believers.

6 one God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all.

### MI. Preparation for Battle

There are Two things every bel. must have to live for Christ in this New Church Age.

(1) Baptism of the Holy Spirit

(2) Indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

Both of these Supernatural blessings occurred on the First Day of the Church. Acts 1 Gathering them together, Jesus Christ gathering the disciples together, in Jerusalem before

He ascended to God the Father

He commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait before they went out and tried to fulfill the Great Commission, or started spreading the Gospel or teaching, They were not yet prepared to serve Him or the Father for what the Father had promised, Promise of the coming of the Holy Spirit for both Baptism of the Holy Spirit and the Indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

"Which,"He said,you heard of from Me; recorded in the Gospels 5 for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

And then and only then will you be prepared to spread the gospel and start local churches. This New Age called the Church-Age will be unique in history, No longer will there be a Special Race (Jews) or Special Nation (Israel) or even a promised land. This is a worldwide opening or an 'Intensified

Stage of the Angelic Conflict" and you will all need these Special Preparations for the Conflict you are entering. People you must understand and be aware of some of the differences between the Age of Israel and the Church-Age. The Gospel is the same, Salvation is the same, however the Warfare is much different. Now, in the Church-Age every born again believer is a target in the C-A. You individually, your marriage, your family, your church, your spiritual life.. all are under siege by Satan and his army of fallen angels. And to prepare you for this battle God had given each of us a number of Spiritual weapons.

1 He has Clothed us in Christ by the Baptism of the Holy Spirit

2 He has equipped each one with the Indwelling of the Holy Spirit for greater is He who is in you than He who is in the world Satan (1 John 4:4) and

3 He has given us the completed Canon of Scripture (sorry, Mormons) 2 Tim. 3:16 All Scripture (OT & NT) is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; 17 so that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.

Give thanks to God everyday for Baptism of the Holy Spirit and the Indwelling of the Holy Spirit and the Bible; it is these three that enable you to live in Church-Age serving and glorifying Jesus Christ.

Mil.. Results of the Baptism of the HS

1. Everyone who believes in JC as Savior is put into Union w/JC This is what the word Baptism of the HS means. And once you are put into union with JC you can never be taken out. This is one of the things God does to guarantee us with E-L; Once saved Always saved, Once Baptize Always Baptized in Christ. This is what Unifies every person around the world—we are ea. Baptized into Union with JC.

2. By baptism of HS ever bel is put into /body of JC 1 Cor 12: 13

So the Baptism of the Holy Spirit: unites us with Christ & unites us with One Another Therefore we are to love OA as JC loves us and we are to serve One Another in Spiritual.Love.

3. By the Baptism of the HS every bel. is made join heirs of JC As a result of being in union with Christ, we share what Christ has.

a. We share His eternal life (1 John 5:11-12),

b. We share His righteousness, Doctrine of Imputation of Righteousness

c. We share Christ's destiny under predestination. Jesus Christ is the only Predestined person in history and once we believe in Jesus Christ we share His destiny.

d. We share Christ's election. Jesus Christ is the only one elected in history, God has chosen to elect anyone who believes in Jesus Christ as Savior.

e. Jesus Christ, seated at the right hand of the Father, has a third royal title. We share in His royalty as His royal family.

f. We become a new spiritual species, 2 Cor. 5:17

XIV. Challenge of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. (1) This truth should give every believer confidence and identification in Christ, not in some denomination or church or some teacher, not even Paul. We are not Baptized into Paul.

(2) As we have seen we are all baptized into Jesus Christ, this should unify all believers. However, not surprisingly this truth has been used to divide so many Christians.

(3) We have spent this time and gone through this study for you, for your knowledge and comfort, please do not use this information to divide people. I encourage you not to go into some group that has other views, like (1) that the Church-Age began with Paul or (2) that you can lose your salvation or (3) Baptism of the Holy Spirit occurs sometime after initial Salvation. Referring to Second Experience or Second Blessing; or (4) This is a special blessing that gives the person some special power to live the Christian Way of Life etc but do not use this information to cause trouble to divide people. Certainly, if you are in a position, refer to the truth of Baptism of Holy Spirit to show someone that they cannot lose their Salvation. 'Comfort One Another with these Words'