



MINISTRY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

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INTRODUCTION

- There is no child of God that does not have a measure of the Holy Spirit, because salvation comes by the workings of the Holy Spirit. (Romans 8:9; John 3:5, John 16:8). And for any child of God to live a meaningful Christian life he or she needs a greater measure of the filling of the Holy Spirit. (Acts 2:12-40).

THE PERSON OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

- *Who is the Holy Spirit?*
- The Holy Spirit is the third person in Trinity. God became a man in Jesus so that Jesus could die for our sins. When Jesus ascended into heaven, His physical presence left the earth, but He promised to send the Holy Spirit so that His spiritual presence will still be among His children(Luke 24:49).

CHARACTERISTICS OF HIS PERSONALITY

- He is gentle and quiet(1Pt 3:4)
- He can be stifled (1 Thess 5:19)

THE POSSESSION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

- ◉ *Evidences*
- ◉ Any born again child of God
- ◉ Holy Ghost baptism is evidenced by speaking in tongues
- ◉ There is a strong desire to please God(Gal 5:22-23)
- ◉ There is a peace of mind that no man can understand

POSSESSION OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

- ◉ *Evidences*
- ◉ You bubble with life (John 6:63)
- ◉ You walk under much Grace
- ◉ You exhibit the power of God according to His giftings in your life
- ◉ It is evident in your prayer life
- ◉ You are empowered to serve God (Acts 1:8; Romans 12:6)

THE NAMES OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

- Counselor (John 14:15)
- The Spirit of Truth (John 14:17)

THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

- When there was an important job to be done, God chose a person to do it, and the Spirit gave that person the needed power and ability.
- Therefore, the Holy Spirit came upon individuals in order to accomplish specific goals
- *Beginning from Pentecost, however, the Holy Spirit upon came upon all Believers, not only to empower them to do God's will but also to dwell in them(Acts 2:14-21)*

THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE OLD TESTAMENT

- *Examples of such in the old testament are:*
- Artistic abilities to Bezalel (Exodus 31:1-5)
- The military prowess of Jephthah (Judges 11:29)
- The power to rule by David (1 Samuel 16:13)
- The power of prophecy on Zechariah (2 Chronicles 24:20)

GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT-1 COR 12:1-14

- ◉ Divided into three categories- Revelation, Utterance and Power
- ◉ Revelation Gifts
- ◉ Word of wisdom-Acts 9:10-16.It can be conditional 2Kings 20:1
- ◉ Word of knowledge-Acts 10:9-20
- ◉ Discerning of spirits- Gives supernatural insights in the realm of spirits (Acts 16:16-18).
Many things which seem miraculous to us usually may not come from God

GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT-1 COR 12:1-14

- The gifts of power
- Gift of faith-1 Corinth 12:9, Dan 6:16-23, 1 Kings 17:2-6
- Working of miracles- 2Kings 2:9-14, John 2:1-11
- Gifts of healing-Acts 10:38, Acts 3:6-7

GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT-1 COR 12:1-14

- Vocal gifts
- Prophecy-1 Cor 14:1-5)
- Divers kinds of tongues
- Interpretation of tongues-Renders the gift of tongue intelligible

THE WORKINGS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

- ◉ Gives strength for extraordinary tasks- Judges 3:10
- ◉ He gives change of heart- Mt 12:34-36, John 3:8
- ◉ May test us from time to time- Luke 4:1
- ◉ His presence in us ushers in God's kingdom
- ◉ Helps us understand the bible- Luke 24:45
- ◉ Helps us worship God- John 4:20-23

THE WORKINGS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

- Urges us towards salvation-John 6:44
- Guides us away from wrong places- 16:7-9
- Increases opportunities for witnessing-Acts 22:30
- Gives us power to live a Christian life-Romans 8:2
- Helps us to pray-Romans 8-26-27
- Helps us to know God's thoughts-1 Cor 2:15-16
- Produces fruits in us-Gal 5:22-23
- Brings unity to Believers-Eph 4:3

HOW TO RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT

- Must be born again
- Have a desire
- Can be by laying on of hands
- Can come as you pray in an assembly, small meeting or on your own

CONCLUSION

- There is no Christian that will go far in the things of God without the baptism of the holy Spirit and re-filling from time to time. A missionary without the baptism of the Holy Spirit will struggle in the mission field