

Section Two – Part Three

DOES GOD REQUIRE ALL CHRISTIANS TO BE BAPTIZED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT?

As previously covered in this section, a person must first be _____ before being filled with the Holy Spirit. Scripture has proven that being filled with the Holy Spirit is a _____ to being born again.

The _____ need in a person's life is to be born again. Jesus said in John 3:3 & 5 that a person must be born again or he will _____ enter God's _____. No one will enter _____ unless his name is _____ in the _____ *[Read Rev. 21:27]*. The _____ in scripture is that a person needs to accept Jesus as Savior.

Once a person is born again he can then be filled with the Holy Spirit. Being filled with the Holy Spirit is similar to being born again; a person _____ to receive Jesus as Savior and a Christian chooses to be _____ with the Holy Spirit. God does not _____ either event upon a person. Whether or not to accept being filled with the Holy Spirit is totally at the discretion of the individual:

- In Acts 1 & 2, the _____ chose to go to Jerusalem and wait to be filled with the Holy Spirit as Jesus had instructed (Luke 24:49, Acts 1:4-5, 8).
- In Acts 2:38 Peter instructed the people to _____, be _____ in the Name of Jesus, and _____ the gift of the Holy Ghost.
- In Acts 19:1-7 Paul asked the Ephesians if they had _____ the Holy Ghost since they _____.

In all of these cases it was a matter of _____ on the part of the individual whether or not to receive the _____. There is nothing in scripture which says that a person _____ filled with the Holy Spirit in order to go to Heaven. However, the _____ in scripture is that Christians

_____ receive the baptism in the Holy Spirit. In fact, being filled with the Holy Spirit is actually presented as an _____.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE FOR BEING FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT?

When Jesus was born in the world He was the Son of God. He was the offspring of God and had His _____. Nevertheless, Jesus was not born automatically filled with the Holy Spirit just because He was the Son of God. He did not begin His ministry until _____ *[Read Luke 3:23]*. Up until that time He had not been filled with the Holy Spirit *[Read Luke 3:21-22, 4:1, 14]*. The events described in Luke could _____ have happened if Jesus were already _____ with the Holy Spirit.

The first time Jesus performed a miracle was _____. He was filled with the Holy Spirit *[Read John 1:26-29, 43, 2:1-11]*. From this time forth Jesus healed people, cast out devils, raised the dead, and preached the gospel of the _____. He was doing the _____ of the Father *[Read John 4:34, 5:19, 6:38, 12:49-50, 14:6-13]*. Jesus was able to do these things not just because He was the Son of God, but because He was filled with the Holy Spirit *[Read Acts 10:38]*.

Jesus said that Christians would be able to do what He did *[Read John 14:12]*. Since Jesus performed great _____ and preached the gospel of the Kingdom of God because He was both God's Son and filled with the Holy Spirit, _____ would hold true for Christians. When we accept Jesus as Savior we become a _____, but we are not _____ filled with the Holy Spirit. Jesus said we would receive _____ after being filled with the Holy Spirit *[Read Acts 1:8]*. Therefore, the logical conclusion is that we do not have this power until we are filled with the Holy Spirit.

Just as being filled with the Holy Spirit enabled Jesus to do the _____ of the Father, being filled with the Holy Spirit will enable us to do the _____ of Jesus. As the Son of God filled with the Holy Spirit,

Jesus was a _____ unto the Father. As a child of God filled with the Holy Spirit, we can be a witness _____. Based on the evidence in scripture, we may be born again as a child of God, but if we are not filled with the Holy Spirit, we will _____ be able to _____ fulfill what God has called us to do.

Being filled with the Holy Spirit also helps us to _____
_____ *[Read 1 Cor. 2:6-13]*. Since we now have the life and nature of God, we have the _____ to understand spiritual things relative to both the _____ and to being a _____. Understanding scripture is absolutely _____ in order to have our lives _____.

In summary, the purpose for being filled with the Holy Spirit can be explained by what Jesus said in the following passages:

- **John 14:16-17, 26**
- **John 16:13-15**
- **Acts 1:8**

Based on what scripture reveals, there should be _____ in the mind of any Christian as to whether or not he or she should _____ to be filled with the Holy Spirit.

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WHAT IS THE PROOF OF BEING FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT?

Jesus told the disciples that they would receive _____ after they were filled with the Holy Spirit. He told them to wait in _____ until they were filled with the Holy Spirit. In Acts 2, on the Day of Pentecost, the event Jesus had foretold took place. When this happened, there were three notable manifestations:

- 1) There was the _____ of a _____. (Acts 2:2)
- 2) There was the appearance of what looked like _____ which rested upon _____. (Acts 2:3)
- 3) They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to _____. (Acts 2:4)

While the first two manifestations are very notable, the only manifestation that proved something had happened _____ them was that they _____. Therefore, the _____ that the disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit was when they began speaking in tongues.

In Acts 8 Philip went to the city of Samaria and preached the gospel. When the people saw the miracles and heard what Philip preached, they accepted Jesus and were born again [*Read Acts 8:5-13*]. Then, Peter and John went to Samaria for the purpose of _____ to the people for them to be _____ [*Read Acts 8:14-17*]. When the people were filled, something happened _____ that was _____ by others [*Read Acts 8:18-19*]. The only initial _____ in the Bible that people are filled with the Holy Spirit is speaking in tongues.

In Acts 10 while Peter was preaching to the people at Cornelius' house, the people were filled with the Holy Ghost. The thing that _____ Peter and his companions that the Gentiles had received the Holy Spirit was that they heard them speak in tongues. This was

the _____ manifestation mentioned which they considered as _____ that the Gentiles had received the Holy Spirit *[Read Acts 10:44-47]*.

In Acts 19, the Apostle Paul went to Ephesus. While there he ministered to believers to receive the Holy Spirit. The initial, _____ that they had been filled was that they spoke in tongues *[Read Acts 19:1-6]*.

Repeatedly in scripture God has revealed that the initial _____ that a person has been filled with the Holy Spirit is that he or she will speak in tongues. Speaking in tongues is a result of the Holy Spirit releasing His _____ in a person. Speaking in tongues is literally a _____ because it enables a Christian to do what would normally be _____: speak in a language that is unknown to the person speaking.

HOW DOES A PERSON GET FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT AND SPEAK IN TONGUES?

As shown in scripture, being filled with the Holy Spirit is a matter of _____ Him. He will not _____ Himself on a person. It is similar to being born again: a person believes on Jesus Christ and receives Him as Savior to be born again; likewise, a person _____ in being filled with the Holy Spirit, _____ to be filled, and then receives Him. Without believing in and desiring to be filled, a person will not receive the Holy Spirit.

John the Baptist said that Jesus would baptize people with the Holy Spirit *[Read Luke 3:16 & John 1:32-34]*. Therefore, when a person is born again, he needs to allow Jesus to do what John said: baptize him with the Holy Spirit.

Speaking in tongues is not the _____ that many people seem to have implied. The Holy Spirit does not _____ Himself on a person and make him speak in tongues. The Holy Spirit does not _____ of a person, making it impossible for the person not to speak in tongues. Scripture explains that when people spoke in tongues, it was _____ doing the speaking, not the Holy Spirit _____ them to speak.

- Acts 2:4 "...they...began to speak with other tongues..."
- Acts 10:46 "For they heard them speak with tongues..."
- Acts 19:6 "...they spake with tongues..."
- 1 Cor. 14:2 "For he that speaketh in an *unknown* tongue..."
- 1 Cor. 14:4 "He that speaketh in an *unknown* tongue..."
- 1 Cor. 14:5 "I would that ye all spake with tongues..."
- 1 Cor. 14:6 "...if I come unto you speaking with tongues..."
- 1 Cor. 14:13 "...him that speaketh in an *unknown* tongue..."
- 1 Cor. 14:14 "...I pray in an *unknown* tongue..."
- 1 Cor. 14:15 "...I will pray with the spirit...I will sing with the spirit..."
- 1 Cor. 14:18 "...I speak with tongues..."
- 1 Cor. 14:39 "...forbid not to speak with tongues."

In every example, the individual is speaking _____, not by coercion. A person makes a _____ to pray in tongues and the Holy Spirit instantaneously supplies the language and the words to speak. In natural terms, it would be like a person instantly being able to speak _____ even though he was never previously able to speak in that language. The difference is that the language of tongues is not _____; it is a language that _____.

The language and the words will not be _____ by the person speaking. This is because the Holy Spirit is supplying the language to the person's _____, not their _____. [Read 1 Cor. 14:14]. It is impossible for _____ to explain this. It is impossible for _____ to explain this. It is a _____ performed by _____ through the ministry of the _____ in the born again spirit of a person.

When a person first begins to speak in tongues, he may not think it is the Holy Spirit; he may think that he is the one making it up out of his mind and that it is nothing but a lot of meaningless gibberish. While it is true that it is the person using his own _____ to do the speaking, it is the Holy Spirit supplying the language. It is important to remember that when a person _____ to be filled with the Holy Spirit, the sounds that come out as he speaks will be the _____.

It is also important to remember that the Holy Spirit will not _____ a person who chooses to keep speaking in his own language. Therefore, if a person prays to be baptized with the Holy Spirit, but keeps saying things like, *"I worship you Jesus. I praise you Jesus,"* the Holy Spirit will not interrupt with tongues.

A SAMPLE PRAYER TO BE FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

The following is a sample prayer to be filled with the Holy Spirit. At the end of the prayer begin to pray in tongues. Remember that your mind will not understand the words or the language because this will all be coming out of your spirit. It may sound like you are just making a lot of unintelligible, worthless sounds; but you will be praying in tongues as a result of being baptized with the Holy Spirit.

"Dear Lord Jesus, I thank you for being my Lord and Savior. John the Baptist said you would baptize us with the Holy Spirit. I am asking you to baptize me with the Holy Spirit. I receive this baptism from you right now and I thank you for doing this.

"Holy Spirit, I receive you into my life. Fill me just like the Bible describes. I ask you to give me the gift of speaking in tongues. I thank you for this gift. In Jesus' name, Amen."