

HAVE YOU RECEIVED? JUNE 23, 2019

ACTS 19:1-6

Some teach that once saved, we have all the Spirit there is. Paul, who wrote over half the New Testament didn't think so. His question to these twelve men makes that clear. After locating them spiritually, he gets them saved, water baptized, and Spirit baptized. He knew the importance of all three baptisms.

“Have you received the Holy Ghost since you believed?” If we're saved and water baptized, we should be Spirit baptized as well.

THREE BAPTISMS, BAPTIZERS

1. By the spirit, into Christ. **1 CORINTHIANS 12:13** - Saved
2. By a believer, in water. **MATTHEW 28:19** – Water baptized.
3. By Jesus, in the Spirit. **MATTHEW 3:11** – Spirit baptized.

“SHOULD RECEIVE” - JOHN 7:37-39

- John's gospel records events the other gospels didn't. John focused more on the first two years of Jesus' ministry while the others focused on the last year. John records Cana, the Nobleman's son, Bethesda, Lazarus and the 153 fish catch.
- Here, the focus is on the Feast of Tabernacles and the water drawing ceremony. “Imagine a whole parade of worshipers and flutists led by the priest to the pool of Siloam. The priest has two golden pitchers. One is for wine. He fills the other with water from the pool. As the flutes continue to play, a choir of Israelites chant **PSALMS 118**. The whole procession heads back to the temple through the water gate. A trumpet sounds as the priest enters the temple area. He approaches the altar where two silver basins are waiting. He pours wine into one of the basins as a drink offering to the Lord and water from the pool of Siloam into the other. The whole ceremony, with the parade and the flutes and the singing, was such a joyful occasion that one of the ancient Rabbis wrote: Anyone who has not seen this water ceremony has never seen rejoicing in his life.”
- **PSALMS 118:22-29** – Jesus is the fulfillment of their chant. His loud cry identifies Him as the rock in the desert and invites them to drink from Him and receive rivers of Holy Ghost power.

JESUS MUST DEPART – JOHN 16:7-11

- If Jesus doesn't depart, the Spirit won't come to reprove the world of sin, righteousness and judgment. For Him to come, Jesus had to finish His work and be glorified. The Spirit needs something to work with.
- **JOHN 16:12-16** – The Spirit will guide, speak, show things to come, and glorify Jesus. He plays a major role in the believer's life, but the believer must receive Him.
- **LUKE 11:13** – One must be thirsty and one must ask.

THE PROMISE AND PATTERN – ACTS 1:4-5

1. Pentecost - **ACTS 2:37-39**
 - A. Repent.
 - B. Be baptized.
 - C. Receive the Spirit.
2. Samaria – **ACTS 8:12-17**
 - A. Believe.
 - B. Baptized.
 - C. Receive the Spirit.
3. Cornelius – **ACTS 10:44-48, 11:12-15**
 - A. Saved.
 - B. Water baptized.
 - C. Received the Spirit.