

HOLY GHOST POWER – 2
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INTRODUCTION:

We are living in the dispensation of the Holy Spirit. The Father planned out our salvation. Jesus worked out our salvation and the Spirit carries out our salvation. The Spirit's work is two-fold in the believer's life. First, He baptizes us into the Body of Christ and imparts to us the divine nature. This work is evidenced by the Fruit of the Spirit. Second, is the Baptism of the Spirit that is evidence by power and spiritual gifts. Tongues being the initial evidence.

THE PARACLETE – JOHN 14:15-18 (AMPC)

1. Sevenfold meaning.
 - A. Comforter – One who talks us out of worry, anxiety or fear.
 - B. Counselor – One who advises us or offers guidance or direction.
 - C. Helper – One who offers assistance or support.
 - D. Advocate – One who looks out for us or speaks up for us.
 - E. Intercessor – One who intervenes on our behalf.
 - F. Strengtheners – One who adds mental strength and courage.
 - G. Standby – One who remains loyal in time of need.

2. His coming was beneficial. **JOHN 16:7**
 - A. To reprove means to convict or convince the world of sin, righteousness and judgment.
 - B. To guide believers, speak to us, disclose future events and glorify Jesus.

THE VALUE OF TONGUES

What value can there be in speaking in a language we don't know or understand? We must understand there are three types of tongues.

- Sign tongues. **1 CORINTHIANS 14:21-22** – On Pentecost, those gathered from all over the then known world heard unlearned men and women speak in their languages the wonderful works of God. **ACTS 2:5-12**
 - Ministry tongues. **1 CORINTHIANS 14:5** – Paul was not discouraging tongues, he was explaining the proper use of tongues in the church. The church is edified when tongues is interpreted.
 - Devotional tongues. **1 CORINTHIANS 14:2, 14-15** – Our spirit is in direct communion with God. We by-pass the mind and engage the Spirit. Our spirit and the Holy Spirit interact.
1. The initial sign of being filled with the Spirit. **ACTS 2 & 10**
 2. A supernatural means of communicating with God. **1 CORINTHIANS 14:2**
 3. A supernatural means of edification. **1 CORINTHIANS 14:4**
 4. Helps us pray in line with God's perfect will. **ROMANS 8:26-27**
 5. Stimulates faith. **JUDE 20**
 6. Gives spiritual refreshing. **ISAIAH 28:11-12**
 7. We give thanks well. **1 CORINTHIANS 14:14-18**
 8. Helps control the tongue. **JAMES 3**
 9. Edifies the church when interpreted. **1 CORINTHIANS 14:5**
 10. Activates the Holy Spirit within. **1 CORINTHIANS 14:14-15 (AMPC)**
 11. Generates supernatural power. **EPHESIANS 5:17-20**