

THE HOLY SPIRIT AND HIS GIFTS

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MATTHEW 3:11

- 1.) The Baptism with the Spirit is a subject that should be approached with much reverence and respect.
 - A.) Moses at the Burning Bush. **EXODUS 3:1-5**
 - B.) Isaiah before the Throne. **ISAIAH 6:1-7** God is holy. The things of God are holy. Isaiah's unclean mouth was purified by fire to enable him to speak God's Word without condemning himself because of his own shortcomings.
 - C.) The Spirit Baptism wasn't available until Jesus completed His redemptive work. Once He accomplished His finished work, the Holy Spirit was sent to do a twofold work in the life of the believer.
 - * **JOHN 20:22** Regeneration is the first work. Jesus breathes on them and they're born again. **GENESIS 2:7; EZEKIEL 37:9.**
 - * **LUKE 24:49** Why the wait? Why not immediately? Because Pentecost hasn't come yet. These are two distinct works of the Spirit.
 - D.) Jesus was holy; yet, He too was anointed to do the work He was sent to do. **ACTS 10:38, MATTHEW 3:16-17, JOHN 3:34.** If Jesus needed anointed, what about us?
- 2.) The emphasis continued in the early church.
 - A.) **ACTS 19:1-6** Paul thought they were saved so he asks if they received the Holy Ghost yet. Discovering they weren't saved; he gets them saved and spirit-filled.
- 3.) The Habitation of God.
 - A.) **1 CORINTHIANS 6:19-20** The effect is not greater than the cause. The incoming presence of God in personality and power is greater than any manifestation of the spirit. **LUKE 10:17-20, ACTS 4:31-33.**
- 4.) Maintaining a Spirit-Filled life.
 - A.) Prayer - **ACTS 4:29-31**
 - B.) Worship - **EPHESIANS 5:18-20**
 - C.) The Word - **ACTS 6:7-8**
- 5.) Spiritual Gifts - **1 CORINTHIANS 12:1,7**
 - A.) We're not to be ignorant or without knowledge regarding the manifestations of the Spirit.
 - B.) The Gifts are intended to benefit every believer.
 - C.) There are nine manifestations that can be divided into three groups of three: Revelation Gifts, Power Gifts, and Vocal Gifts.

Conclusion

If we've been born again, Jesus said we should then receive the Holy Spirit and be filled with power from on high. This power is to be used to benefit others, not just ourselves. Are we thirsty? **JOHN 7:37-39.**