

THE HOLY SPIRIT AND HIS GIFTS – 6
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REVIEW:

- There are nine gifts of the Spirit that can be divided into three groups of three: revelation, power and vocal gifts.
- Last week we started the vocal gifts: prophecy, divers kinds of tongues and interpretation of tongues.

CONTINUE: ACTS 19:1-7

1. Just because one has received Christ doesn't mean he has been baptized with the Holy Ghost. He has the Spirit in the new birth, but hasn't received power from on high.
2. The initial sign of being baptized with the Spirit is speaking in tongues: **ACTS 2:4, 10:44-47, 19:6** Also, Paul spoke in tongues more than anyone.

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1. What it's not.
 - A. Of the devil (**LK. 11:11-13**) blaspheming the Spirit isn't wise.
 - B. Linguistic ability (**COR. 14:2, 14**). It's not learning foreign languages.
 - C. Something that's ceased (**COR. 13:8-12**). If knowledge hasn't vanished away, then tongues haven't ceased. Do we know even as we are known?
 - D. Cleaning up our speech (**MK. 16:18**).
 - E. To be forbidden (**1 COR. 14:37-39**). The pattern is to covet to prophesy and forbid not to speak with tongues.
2. What it is.
 - A. Supernatural utterance in a language never learned or understood by the speaker (**ACTS 2:5-13**).
 - B. The initial evidence of receiving the Spirit Baptism (**ACTS 8:14-21**). These verses clearly prove salvation and being Spirit baptized are two separate experiences. Also, Paul spoke in tongues when he was filled with the Holy Ghost (**ACTS 9:17**).
3. Diversities of gifts (**1 COR. 12:4**). There are different kinds of tongues.
 - A. Sign tongues (**1 COR 14:22**). This occurred on the day of Pentecost.
 - B. Ministry tongues (**1 COR 14:26-28**). In the church, is a reference to public ministry. (**1 COR. 12:27-30**)
 - C. Devotional tongues (**1 COR. 14:1-5**). **VERSE 2** and **VERSE 4** reveal the devotional side to tongues. (**1 COR. 14:18-19**) show tongues is primarily a devotional gift.
4. Benefits of speaking in tongues.
 - A. Initial evidence of being Spirit filled.
 - B. Means of self-edification (**1 COR. 14:4**).
 - C. Assists us in prayer (**ROM. 8:26-27**).
 - D. Activates the Spirit's ministry within (**1 COR. 14:14-15 AMPC**).
 - E. Stimulates our faith (**JUDE 20**).

CONCLUSION: Jesus said speaking in tongues is one of the five signs that would follow believers in His Name. The choice is ours to make, "Have you received the Holy Spirit since you believed?"