

**BAPTISM
OF THE
HOLY SPIRIT**

BEING BORN AGAIN

TEACHING NOTES

What is the work of the Holy Spirit in a believer's life?

- When you're born again, the Holy Spirit indwells every believer, regenerates us, and gives us new life, and seals us as children of God.
- The Holy Spirit also convicts us, leads us, and guides us into all truth as believers.
- The Holy Spirit is a person.

What did Jesus tell us about the Baptism of the Holy Spirit?

- Jesus said the Holy Spirit would empower all believers.
 - "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."
Acts 1:8 (ESV)

When did we first see a Baptism of the Holy Spirit in the Bible?

- In the book of Acts, we learn that the Spirit came like a rushing wind, and the Holy Spirit filled all of the 120 gathered; they began to speak in tongues.
- Thousands gathered around because they saw the disciples prophesying, speaking in tongues, and preaching.
 - Peter, who just 40 days earlier denied Jesus, stepped up and preached the best sermon known to man.
 - Peter said, "These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning!"
Acts 2:15 (NIV)
 - This was a work of the infilling/baptism of Holy Spirit: It is the empowerment promised to every believer.
- This is different than the Spirit indwelling you, but coming upon you in power and giving an anointing so that you, like the disciples, can be His witness.

Who can be Baptized with the Holy Spirit?

- "This promise is to you, to your children, and to those far away—all who have been called by the Lord our God." Acts 2:39 (NLT)
 - Not for the few in the early church—but for all who God calls to Himself.
 - It is to empower, fill, and receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit as your overflow so that you are fully prepared with power for ministry.

Are there more instances of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit in the Bible?

- We find this in the book of Acts chapter 9, where it depicts Paul's conversion: believers first believed, were baptized, and the Holy Spirit came upon them.

What are some expressions of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit?

- Speaking in tongues
 - Praying in a heavenly language the Father gives you.

Who can be Baptized in the Holy Spirit?

- Available for all believers.
- It is a promise for you.
- “Don’t be drunk with wine, because that will ruin your life. Instead, be filled with the Holy Spirit.”
Ephesians 5:18 (NLT)
- Like water baptism, the Baptism of the Holy Spirit is an immersion into the dynamic, supernatural life of the Spirit, and a release of the gifts of the Spirit.
 - We’re called to continuous filling (over and over).

How can I receive the Holy Spirit?

- If you have not received the Baptism of the Holy Spirit yet, study the scriptures and pray that He fills you, just like He filled the disciples with the power of the Holy Spirit.
- As Christians, we need all the power we can get of the Holy Spirit -- to walk supernaturally in the dynamics of the Holy Spirit, demonstrating the words and the power of the gospel.
- This is a gift for you. It is for everyone, and you can have it if you simply ask Jesus to Baptize you in the Holy Spirit.

MAKE IT YOUR OWN

Baptism of the Holy Spirit: When the Holy Spirit comes upon believers to anoint and equip them with power to be His witness.

Is Baptism of the Holy Spirit different than water baptism? Read: Acts 1:5.

Why does God give us a Baptism of the Holy Spirit? Read: Acts 1:8, Luke 24:29, Mark 16:20, Acts 2:43, 1 Corinthians 12:7, 1 Corinthians 14:3, and 1 Corinthians 14:12.

What are some gifts of the Holy Spirit? Read: Acts 1:8, and 1 Corinthians 12:7-11.

Can I be Baptized in the Holy Spirit? Read: Acts 2:17-21, Luke 11:11-13, and 1 Corinthians 12:31.

When you first believed, you received the seal of the Holy Spirit living in you in full measure.

The Holy Spirit indwells every believer, regenerates us, gives us new life, and seals us as children of God. The Holy Spirit also convicts us, leads us, and guides us into all truth as believers. Baptism of the Holy Spirit is completely separate from the indwelling Spirit all believers have, but a subsequent act where the Holy Spirit comes upon you to fill you with power. It isn't something God forces on us, but something we are all offered and can ask Him for. If you want all God has for you, simply ask for it!

Prayer:

Lord, thank You for Your presence in my life and for the seal of the Holy Spirit. I'm requesting all that You have for me. Fill me with a Baptism of Your Holy Spirit and pour out all of the gifts You have for me. I confess an openness and a desire for all of the spiritual gifts and ask that You guide me in using them to fulfill Your divine purposes in power. Thank you for the privilege to partner with You. In Jesus' name, Amen.

What's Next?

1. Step forward for prayer and ask someone to pray with you for the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.
2. The gifts of the Spirit aren't for us, but to be used by us for others. Put your new spiritual gifts to us by serving at church! Visit: www.radiant.church/teamradiant