

The Baptism in the Holy Spirit



The Person of the Holy Spirit



- Who is He?
 - Part of the Trinity of God
- Where is He today?
 - On this earth, in people (I Corinthians 6:19)
- When did He come here permanently?
 - Day of Pentecost (Acts 2:1-4)
- Why did He come?
 - God in flesh (Jesus) could only be in one place at a time; now the world can see God everywhere, in Spirit-filled Christians

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- What is it a baptism in?
 - Fire (Matthew 3:11)
- Was Jesus filled with the Holy Spirit?
 - All His life (Acts 10:38, Matthew 1:18, Luke 3:22, 4:1, 10:21)
- Who should ask for it?
 - All who have repented and believed (Acts 2:38)
- How should we ask for it?
 - Persistence out of desperate hunger (Luke 11:5-13, Acts 1:14)
- How can we earn it?
 - We can't! It's a free gift (Acts 10:45)
- How many times should we be baptized?
 - Continually (Acts 13:52, Ephesians 5:18AMP, Romans 15:13)

The Ministry of the Holy Spirit

- Helper and Comforter (John 14:26)
- Glorify Jesus (John 16:14)
- Teach all truth (John 16:13)
- Bring conviction concerning: sin, righteousness, judgment (John 16:8-11)
- Power to be witnesses (Acts 1:8)
- Power to speak God's Word boldly (Acts 4:31)
- Give utterance (Luke 12:12)
- Pour out God's love in our hearts (Romans 5:5)

5 Main Reasons Why Many Believers Are Not Baptized in the Holy Spirit

(Zac Poonen – <http://poonen.org/zac>)

1. They have been intellectually convinced that they were automatically baptized in the Spirit when they were born again.
2. They feel that they are not worthy enough to receive it.
3. They don't believe that God is a good God who gives this gift freely.
4. They don't thirst because they are not desperate enough for it.
5. They wait for some experience, unwilling to allow God to decide what gift/manifestation is for them.