

# HOLY SPIRIT BAPTISM PARTICIPANT NOTES

**WATERFALLS CHURCH**

VERSION 1.0 – 05-02-2021



**PART ONE**

**1 Introduction**

Key Scriptures John 14:15-17, Acts 2:17, Luke 11:13, Acts 1:8, Rom 8:14

The Bible makes a distinction between the work of the Holy Spirit at salvation or in the new birth, and the baptism of the Holy Spirit or being filled with the Holy Spirit. (John 3:3-8; Acts 1:5; Acts 8:15) This study seeks to explain the Holy Spirit baptism and how believers under the new covenant can receive and experience the baptism.

Participants will learn about:

- The Baptism of the Holy Spirit
- What is the baptism of the Holy Spirit
- Things to know about the Holy Spirit Baptism
- Outward Evidence of the Holy Spirit Baptism
- Speaking in Tongues
- How to Receive the Baptism of the Holy Spirit

**2 What is the baptism of the Holy Spirit**

The baptism of the Holy Spirit refers to the outpouring of the Holy Spirit promised by Jesus on believers (Luke 24:49; Acts 1:4). It is an experience during which believers receive or are endued with power from on high by the Holy Spirit. God desires that all believers should experience the baptism of the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit in this instance endues the believer with power to be witnesses for Christ.

Purpose of the Holy Spirit Baptism.

- The Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 8:29; 16:6-7)
- The Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 1:8)
- The Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Cor 12:7-11)
- The Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ (Jude 20; Romans 8:26-28)
- The Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ (John4:23-24; Phil 3:3; 1 Cor 14:15)
- The Spirit \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 13:2-4)

**3 Things to know about the Holy Spirit Baptism**

- The baptism of the Holy Spirit is a separate experience from the indwelling presence at Salvation. (Acts 2:38-39, Acts 8:14-17, Acts 19:1-6)
- Receiving the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit at conversion is not the same as the Holy Spirit baptism. (Acts 10:34-48)
- The fact that a person has been genuinely converted or born again does not by itself constitute evidence that the person has received the Holy Spirit baptism. (Acts 19:6; Acts 8:12-17)



## PART TWO

## 4 Outward Evidence of the Holy Spirit Baptism

- There is one – and only one – outward manifestation common to all occasions where people received the baptism in the Holy Spirit. In each case the scripture explicitly states that those who received this experience “spoke with tongues” or “spoke with other tongues”
- Other supernatural manifestations are also mentioned, but none is mentioned as having taken place on more than one of the five occasions. Acts 10:45-46; Acts 2:4 ; Acts 8:17 ; Acts 19:6

**Speaking in tongues** is the accepted New Testament evidence that a believer has received the baptism of the Holy Spirit. The evidence that a person has received the Holy Spirit baptism still remains the same: the person speaks with tongues as the Holy Spirit gives utterance. (Acts 10:44-46, Acts 19:6,)

- *“6 When Paul placed his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they spoke in tongues[a] and prophesied.” Acts 19:6*
- *“44 While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message. 45 The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on Gentiles. 46 For they heard them speaking in tongues[a] and praising God. Then Peter said, Acts 10:44-46*
- *“17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; 18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.” Mark 16:16-17*

## 5 How to Receive the Baptism of the Holy Spirit

The essential preparation for believers to receive the Holy Spirit is that they be

\_\_\_\_\_ on the nature of God’s provision for them and how they may claim this provision through faith. Here are some ways set forth in scripture for receiving the Holy Spirit baptism.

- Believe Jn 7:38
- Be Thirsty. Jn 7:37
- *“37 In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, **If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink.**” “38 **He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.**” John 7:37-38*
- An essential condition is \_\_\_\_\_ .
  - a) \_\_\_\_\_ . Lk 11:13  
*“13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him? Luke 11:13”*
  - b) \_\_\_\_\_ . Luke 11:13
  - c) \_\_\_\_\_ (actively receiving / yieldedness) Jn 7:37  
*“37 In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink.” John 7:37*

Drinking represents an active process of receiving. The filling of the Holy Spirit cannot be received by a negative or passive attitude. No one can drink except of his own active volition, and no one can drink with a closed mouth. As it is in the natural, so it is in the spiritual. God cannot fill a closed mouth. John 7:37-39, Psalm 81:10