

Weekly Teachings

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Be Filled With The Spirit!

In four days we will celebrate the outpouring of the Spirit on the early church. As promised, Jesus accompanied the believers with signs shall following. Today, most of the church is loaded with request that she is powerless to perform. What is wrong? A study of the promises given by Jesus leads me to conclude that “The Baptism of the Holy Spirit” is a requirement to consistently walk in power.

First what is the fullness of the spirit or the baptism of the spirit. The early church were filled with the spirit. Notice **Acts 2:4; 4:8; 6:3, 5; 7:55; 9:17; 11:24; 13:9, 52; 5:15; 14:9, 4:21, 24, 31**. This is the record of the early church!

We are familiar with **Deuteronomy 5:29** and **John 7:38-39**. The promise is that out of our belly shall flow rivers of living water. That is available today! So, we are admonished to be filled with the Spirit! **Ephesians 5:18**. Remember, it is not by might or by power, but by my spirit say’s the Lord. (**Zechariah 4:6**).

We receive all from God by faith. It is the nature of God to make promises and where-ever faith is applied, God delivers on that promise. Note God’s promise of “*the baptism of the Spirit*”. **John 16:7-11, 12-15; Mark 1:6-8; Luke 3:16 – 17**. Here are examples of the Spirit moving: **Acts 4:22-31, Acts 8:13 -17**.

As the prophetic word explains, the challenging things will be done by his spirit not by man’s power (**Zechariah. 4:6**). Many are ashamed while the spirit filled person will accomplish God’s assignment. Let us read **Micah 3:8-11**. Also notice **Jeremiah 23:9,18,21-22, 32**. Again those that sit in the presence of the Lord will hear from him.

How do we receive the baptism of the Spirit? **Revelation 2:11; 3:20, Luke 11:13** shed light on the subject. **Jude 1:3** reports “we must contend for the faith.” **1 Thessalonians 5:20** gives more direction.

Here is the summary of what we have covered. We must have the same type of life as Jesus (**Zoe**). It is when we are filled that we may ask any thing and receive (**John 14:14**). It is when we are filled with Zoe that we will produce (**John 1:4**). In **John 15** a farming analogy is used to explain that it is when we are connected with the vine that we will be productive. So, be filled with the Spirit! May God be with you.

Please read then pass on.