

Pneumatology: A Study of the Holy Spirit – Part 5
The Ministry of the Spirit in NT Believers: Baptism, Filling, Sealing

A Brief Review

There is one God eternally existing in three persons as a perfect Unity: God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit (3 in 1). The Holy Spirit, as the third member of the Trinity, is (1) a person – not a force or power or influence and (2) He is God – equal in glory and power and divinity with both the Father and the Son. And although the Trinity is one in essence and nature; the persons of the Trinity have different roles or functions they perform in both Creation and the Redemption of man. A summary of the working of the Holy Spirit can be seen in these four words, the Holy Spirit: Empowers, Purifies, Reveals, and Unifies. The HS was present and active in the OT and in the Life of Christ. And the HS is present and active in the life of NT believers today.

The Ministry of the Holy Spirit in NT Believers

1. Words and Actions to Distinguish

Phrase	Key Text	Meaning	Timing	Effect
A. Regeneration of the HS	Titus 3:4-6	New life produced by the Holy Spirit	One time/once only at conversion	We are made new
B. Indwelling of the Holy Spirit	Jn. 14:16-17	The invading and internal residence of the Holy Spirit	One time/once only at conversion	We gain a new internal presence
C. Baptism of the Holy Spirit	Rom. 6:1-41 Cor. 12:12-14	A change in placement by the Holy Spirit	One time/once only at conversion	We are placed into Christ and His church
B. Sealing of the Holy Spirit	Eph. 1:13-14	Officially “Marked” by the Holy Spirit	One time/once only at conversion	We are guaranteed a new destiny
E. Filling of the Holy Spirit	Eph. 5:18-21	Empowered by the Holy Spirit	Repeated/Anytime throughout the Christian life	We are supplied with a new empowerment

2. Baptism of the HS (Spirit Baptism)

A. _____ do we get the phrase from?

- Mt. 3:11; Mk. 1:8; Lk. 3:16; Jn. 1:33
- Acts 1:5, 11:16
- 1 Cor. 12:13
- Never Baptism “_____”, rather Baptism “_____” or “_____”

B. _____ does “Baptism in the Holy Spirit” mean?

- 1) A phrase to describe the _____ and _____ of the HS in the NT
- 2) A phrase used by Paul to describe _____ with Christ

C. _____ all the confusion and debate?

- 1) Failure to recognize the _____ and _____ point in biblical history
 - a) The _____ Promise - Ezek. 36:24-28
 - b) _____ Promise - Jn. 14:16-17; 15:26; 16:7-13
 - c) The _____ - Acts 2
 - d) What we see is the _____ from an _____ experience of the HS to the _____ experience of the HS
- 2) Failure to distinguish between _____ and _____ texts
 - Example: Acts 2 and Acts 9

D. _____ is one “Baptized in the HS” today?

- 1) At the moment of _____ - Rom. 8:9; Eph. 1:13

a) What about the _____ text?

- Acts 8:4-25; Acts 10; Acts 19:1-7

2) _____ commanding us to be “Baptized in the HS”

E. Should we _____ a “second experience” of the HS today?

- _____. We should _____ to be “filled with the HS”

3. Filling of the HS

A. _____ do we get the phrase from?

- Acts 2:4; Acts 4:8, 23, 31
- Eph. 5:18

B. _____ from the verses above

1) We are (all) _____ to be filled

2) It is an event that can occur _____

C. _____ does “Filled with the Holy Spirit” mean?

1) To be _____ and _____ by the HS

2) A new _____ for ministry

D. What are some of the _____ associated with being filled with the HS

1) _____ for Christ

2) _____ worship and thanksgiving

3) _____ relationships

4) _____

4. Sealing of the HS

A. _____ do we get the phrase from?

- 2 Cor. 1:21-22; Eph. 1:13-14; 4:30

B. _____ does “Sealed with the Holy Spirit” mean?

1) It denotes _____

2) “Deposit,” “Seal,” and “Earnest” - means “a pledge,” that is, part of the purchase money or property given in advance as security for the rest. The gift of the Spirit to believers is a down payment on our heavenly inheritance, which Christ has promised us and secured for us at the cross. It is because the Spirit has sealed us that we are _____.

3) It's God's _____ - 2 Cor. 5:1-5