

Empowered: A Study on the Holy Spirit
Prayer and the Holy Spirit
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The Baptism in the Holy Spirit has nothing to do with a person's salvation.
(Acts 19:1-7)

The Holy Spirit does not make you a super - Christian. He does give you super tools to put Jesus on display.

If you teach the Holy Spirit without Jesus, you get into error and heresy.

Remember the nine gifts of the Holy Spirit:
Wisdom, Knowledge, Faith, Healing,
Miracles, Prophecy, Discernment, Tongues, Interpretation of tongues.

The differing views:

1. Cessationist: The gifts were only for the early church.
2. Extreme Pentecostalism: Holy Spirit revelation and Scripture are on equal ground.
3. Classic Pentecostal: Baptism in the Holy Spirit is a separate experience that follows salvation.

Three Baptisms: (Robert Morris)

1. The Holy Spirit baptizes us in Jesus. (1 Corinthians 12:13)
2. The disciple baptizes us in water. (Matthew 28:19)
3. Jesus baptizes us in the Holy Spirit. (Matthew 3:11)

Think about the moments of supernatural encounter in your life.

They are most likely preceded by your seeking of God.

Prayer occurrences in the Book of Acts:

- Acts 2:4

- Acts 4:24

- Acts 7:59

- Acts 9:40

- Acts 12:5, 12

- Acts 13:3

- Acts 16:25

Therefore:

1. Prayer and the supernatural go together.

2. 20 of 25 occurrences of prayer in Acts are corporate in nature.

3. There is a momentum to prayer.

Prayer creates its own appetite.