

Worshipping God in Spirit and in Truth Part 2

- **John 4:24** –
God is spirit, and his worshipers must worship in the Spirit and in truth.

Worship:

Worship is the way or manner in which we approach the throne of God to honor Him with extravagant love and extreme submission

We must learn to worship God according to who we are in The Spirit!!

- Earthly Realm and a Spiritual Realm...A Natural Realm and A Spiritual Realm
 - Kingdom of God!!! The Spiritual Realm is Kingdom of God!!
- When you begin to understand and truly grasp that you are a 3 part being...
 - Your identity is not found in your Body, or your Soul....You are a Spirit!!

I am a Spirit - I live in a Body - I possess a Soul

- *Worship is the way or manner in which we approach the throne of God to honor Him with extravagant love and extreme submission*

- When you learn to worship God out of who you are in spirit you can approach the throne of God with Gladness, Boldness and Confidence! No Fear!! Just Joy!!
- Until you learn to embrace the knowledge that you are a spirit...and not your body, not your mind, your will or your scattered emotions...you will never be able to love yourself fully or understand how God can be pleased with you and see you as perfect!

Worshipping God in Spirit and in Truth Part 2 *Baptism of The Holy Spirit*

Mark 1:1-8 –

The beginning of the good news about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God, 2 as it is written in Isaiah the prophet:

“I will send my messenger ahead of you,
who will prepare your way” —

3 “a voice of one calling in the wilderness,
‘Prepare the way for the Lord,
make straight paths for him.’”

4 And so John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. 5 The whole Judean countryside and all the people of Jerusalem went out to him. Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River. 6 John wore clothing made of camel’s hair, with a leather belt around his waist, and he ate locusts and wild honey. 7 And this was his message: “After me comes the one more powerful than I,

the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. 8 I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.”

Baptized with the Holy Spirit?

What does it mean?

Baptize – Greek: Bap-Tid-Zo Root: Bap-To
To Immerse, Submerge, make whelmed (Fully Wet), Stain

Baptism of the Spirit - Baptized into Body of Christ:

- **1 Corinthians 12:13** –
For we were all baptized by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.
 - Body of Christ
 - Doesn't matter anymore who we were in the flesh, race, education, occupation, sex
- **Galatians 3:26-29** –
So in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith, **27** for all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. **28** There is neither Jew nor Gentile, neither slave nor free, nor is there male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. **29** If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

- **Romans 6:3-4** –
Or don't you know that all of us who were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death?
4 We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life. (Born Again)

- **John 3:5-6** –
Jesus answered, "Very truly I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God unless they are born of water and the Spirit. **6** Flesh gives birth to flesh, but the Spirit gives birth to spirit.

- **How do you see the spiritual realm...the Kingdom of God? How do you enter this Kingdom...you have to be born into it!!!**

- Born Again!! Rebirth
 - Born into Kingdom of God
 - You could never qualify any other way!!
 - Jesus is your ticket...he qualifies You!!
 - Born into Body of Christ

Romans 8: 1-17(NIV) – We are in the Spirit!!

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, **2** because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death. **3** For what the law was powerless

to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be a sin offering. And so he condemned sin in the flesh, **4** in order that the righteous requirement of the law might be fully met in us, who do not live according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

5 Those who live according to the flesh have their minds set on what the flesh desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. **6** The mind governed by the flesh is death, but the mind governed by the Spirit is life and peace. **7** The mind governed by the flesh is hostile to God; it does not submit to God's law, nor can it do so. **8** Those who are in the realm of the flesh cannot please God.

9 You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. **10** But if Christ is in you, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, the Spirit gives life because of righteousness.

11 And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.

12 Therefore, brothers and sisters, we have an obligation—but it is not to the flesh, to live according to it. **13** For if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live.

14 For those who are led by the Spirit of God are the children of God. **15** The Spirit you received does not make you slaves, so that you live in fear again; rather, the Spirit you received brought about your adoption to sonship. And by him we cry, “*Abba, Father.*” **16** The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God’s children. **17** Now if we are children, then we are heirs— heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

What about Tongues!!!
Acts 1 and Acts 2 – Day of Pentecost!!

Seek Ye First The Kingdom of God!!!

- **How do you see the spiritual realm...the Kingdom of God? How do you enter this Kingdom...you have to be born into it!!!**

Luke 17:20 – Tongues...The Kingdom of God comes without observation!!

Don't directly attack people's belief that Baptism of Holy Spirit is subsequent to being filled with the Holy Spirit. Let the scriptures tell them that...

Is the Baptism of the Spirit a salvation experience or a separate experience of the Spirit after one is saved? The Bible's consistent teaching is that there is only *one Spirit baptism* - at salvation, but there are many fillings. This Spirit baptism occurs once for every believer; it is the *new birth*. The baptism of the Spirit is given to all believers alike, (1 Cor. 12:13 ALL believers are baptized by the Holy Spirit; Gal. 3:27 ALL believers have been baptized into Christ.)

"And he (Christ) is the head of the body, the church" (Col. 1:18), Jesus is the baptizer, making every believer today part of the Body of Christ. The Holy Spirit is given to bring believers into the "one body" (1Cor. 12:13). Galatians 3:26-27 "For as many of you as *were baptized into Christ have put on Christ.*"

If you are not baptized in the Holy Spirit then you are not "in Christ." Rom. 8:9 states: "*if any man has not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.*"

It is a Spirit baptism that buries us with Christ into his death (Rom. 6:3-7). Individuals could not be considered

believers before they received the baptism in the Holy Spirit, as is evident from Paul's question, to those in Acts 19:1-7..*"Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?"* Therefore the presence, the indwelling of the Holy Spirit is essential to proving salvation. Paul's question in Acts 19:2 is significant, *"Into what then were you baptized?"* Paul makes it clear that it is necessary for the Holy Spirit - what is called the baptism with the Holy Spirit: *"When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke with tongues and prophesied."*

At Pentecost Christ was the Baptizer, with the Spirit (Acts 1:5). When they received the Holy Spirit they possessed the new life in Christ through being born again! This is repeated in Acts 8 and Acts 10 for the Gentiles. There is no command in Scripture that tells us to be baptized by the Holy Spirit because it is what takes place in salvation. **Teaching another baptism with the Holy Spirit for those who are born again is not correct;** the Bible teaches to be filled and refilled as a continual and necessary process. We do not lose the Holy Spirit in us, nor do we get more of Him. What this means is that He gets more of us. We give him control of our lives daily; we present our bodies as a living sacrifice to the Lord each day, and he fills us with himself and has control over our lives.

What many believe as a separate baptism should more accurately be called a filling of the Spirit. To be filled with the Spirit is a daily thing, to be baptized with the Holy Spirit (baptized into the Body by the Holy Spirit) happens only once. **So the baptism with the Spirit is what takes place at salvation which places us in the body of Christ and He indwells us.** The filling of the Spirit is part of our sanctification, our discipleship, as give over the areas we need to for his control. Once we understand this we can pursue the right thing.