

YOUNG WARRIORS SESSION 4

Holy Spirit Baptism

I. Holy Spirit Baptism in the Bible

John 20:21-22

“So Jesus said to them again, ‘Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also send you.’ Then He breathed on them and said, ‘Receive the Holy Spirit.’”

a.) Receive: take it right now

b.) The Holy Spirit went inside the disciples

Acts chapters 1&2: The disciples were told to wait in Jerusalem so that they could receive a supernatural experience and be endued with power.

Matthew 3:11

“I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.”

Acts 1:5,8

“...for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

“But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

a.) power: dunamis (the greek word); miracle working power

b.) this power is needed in order to fulfill the destiny of God

c.) witness: marta (the greek word): martyr

-A martyr is one who lays his life down for a cause/belief.

1.) God wants us to be clothed in such power that will give you the power to be willing to lay your life down for Him.

John 3:30

“He must become greater and greater, and I must become less and less.”

II. What does it mean to be baptized by the Holy Spirit?

1.) The baptism of the Holy Spirit is about receiving supernatural power to do a supernatural work.

EXAMPLE: Peter the disciple walked with Jesus, was taught by Jesus, and even walked on the water, however he still denied Christ. When Peter denied Christ he was missing the baptism of the Holy Spirit. When Peter was baptized by the Holy Spirit in Jerusalem, we never again saw him deny Jesus.

2.) The baptism of the Holy Spirit is not the same as having a born again experience. It is being endued with power to lay your life down for Christ.

Act 2:1-4

“When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided

tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.”

a.) They spoke as the Spirit gave them utterance.

-They did the speaking

3.) 2 Elements about Holy Spirit Baptism

a.) become immersed in the Power of God

b.) speaking in other tongues

III. What is Speaking in Tongues?

1.) Tongues is a supernatural language that you did not naturally learn.

2.) Sometimes it can be another language that is known to Earth, but sometimes it is a heavenly language.

1 Corinthians 13:1

“If I speak all the languages of earth and of angels, but didn’t love others, I would only be a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.”

a.) the apostle Paul wrote this

3.) The Book of Acts

a.) 120 people were in the upper room

b.) 12 people spoke in languages of men because all heard them praising

God in their own language.

1 Corinthians 14:2

“For if you have the ability to speak in tongues, you will be talking only to God, since people won’t be able to understand you. You will be speaking by the power of the Spirit, but it will all be mysterious.”

4.) Tongues is a supernatural prayer language from God that the Holy Spirit within us prays through us and for us.

5.) It is the perfect prayer and will of God that bypasses the brain.

a.) Our brain gets in the way

EXAMPLE: When we don’t know what to pray or when we think we know what God wants but He actually wants something different.

1 Corinthians 14:18

“I thank God that I speak in tongues more than any of you.”

a.) apostle Paul wrote this

b.) Paul wrote 2/3 of the New Testament and also prayed in tongues

6.) When you pray in tongues you begin to understand the mysteries of God.

a.) tongues is for today and forever; some people do not believe in it

EXAMPLE: Pastor Steve was raised Catholic. Two days after Pastor Steve was born again, he started speaking in tongues.

STUDY QUESTIONS

- 1.) What is the root word for power and what does it mean?

- 2.) Why is it important to be endowed with power?

- 3.) Why did Peter deny Christ and what was he missing?

- 4.) What is tongues and what two ways can tongues be understood?

- 5.) Why is praying in tongues important?