



# Student Notes

# Session #1: Who is the Holy Spirit?

## 1) THE HOLY SPIRIT IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE \_\_\_\_\_

THE WORD SPIRIT OF GOD IS MENTIONED 29 TIMES IN THE BIBLE. THE WORD "HOLY GHOST" IS MENTIONED 89 TIMES, AND THE WORD "HOLY SPIRIT" IS MENTIONED 7 TIMES

*GENESIS 1:1-2* – <sup>1</sup>In the beginning **God** created the heavens and the earth. <sup>2</sup>Now the earth was formless and empty, darkness was over the surface of the deep, and the **Spirit of God** was hovering over the waters.

*GENESIS 1:26* – <sup>1</sup>Let us make man in **our image**.

*ACTS 2:32-33* – <sup>32</sup>"God raised **Jesus** from the dead, and we are all witnesses of this. <sup>33</sup>Now he is exalted to the place of highest honor in heaven, at God's right hand. And the **Father**, as he had promised, gave him the **Holy Spirit** to pour out upon us, just as you see and hear today.

*EPHESIANS 2:18* – <sup>18</sup>Now all of us can come to the **Father** through the same **Holy Spirit** because of what **Christ** has done for us.

*GALATIANS 4:6* – <sup>4</sup>And because we are his children, **God** has sent the **Spirit** of his **Son** into our hearts, prompting us to call out, "Abba, Father."

<sup>1</sup> *JOHN 5:6* – <sup>6</sup>And **Jesus Christ** was revealed as **God's Son** by his baptism in water and by shedding his blood on the cross – not by water only, but by water and blood. And the **Spirit**, who is truth, confirms it with his testimony.

EACH ASPECT OF THE TRINITY HAS A DIFFERENT \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_ IN OUR LIVES.

## 2) THE HOLY SPIRIT IS R \_\_\_\_\_

GOD IS LOVE BECAUSE HE HAS RELATIONALLY LIVED AND EXPRESSED LOVE IN TRINITY. GOD HAS \_\_\_\_\_ LOVE, \_\_\_\_\_ LOVE, AND \_\_\_\_\_ LOVE ALL AT THE SAME TIME.

SINCE HE IS RELATIONAL, THE HOLY SPIRIT HAS E \_\_\_\_\_

*EPHESIANS 4:30* – <sup>30</sup>And do not bring sorrow to God's Holy Spirit by the way you live. Remember, he has identified you as his own, guaranteeing that you will be saved on the day of redemption.

SINCE HE IS RELATIONAL, THE HOLY SPIRIT HAS HIS OWN DESIRES AND W \_\_\_\_\_

*1 CORINTHIANS 12:11* – <sup>11</sup>It is the one and only Spirit who distributes all these gifts. He alone decides which gift each person should have. (As he wills)

SINCE HE IS RELATIONAL, HE STILL COMMUNICATES WITH THE FATHER

*ROMANS 8:27* – <sup>27</sup>And the Father who knows all hearts knows what the Spirit is saying, for the Spirit pleads (intercedes) for us believers in harmony with God's own will.

WHO IS THE HOLY SPIRIT? HE IS \_\_\_\_\_, THE 3<sup>RD</sup> PERSON OF THE \_\_\_\_\_ WHO RELATIONALLY CONNECTS US TO THE FATHER THROUGH JESUS CHRIST.

## 3) THE HOLY SPIRIT IS M \_\_\_\_\_ BUT CLEARLY SEEN THROUGHOUT HISTORY

JESUS BECAME FLESH AND DWELT AMONG US. WE DON'T KNOW WHAT HE LOOKED LIKE, BUT WE KNOW HE EXISTED, AND HE EXPERIENCED EVERYTHING WE DID WITHOUT SIN.

YET THE HOLY SPIRIT IS \_\_\_\_\_. HE IS VERY MUCH LIKE THE WIND. YOU CAN'T \_\_\_\_\_ THE WIND, BUT YOU FEEL THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE WIND.

## OLD TESTAMENT REFERENCES TO THE HOLY SPIRIT AND EVIDENCE OF HIS WORK

EVERYTHING THE HOLY SPIRIT IS INVOLVED IN HELPS MOVE THE \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_ OF GOD FORWARD. WHEN WE ALLOW THE HOLY SPIRIT TO MOVE IN OUR LIVES, WE ALLOW THE \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_ OF GOD TO MOVE FORWARD IN US.

- *GENESIS 1*

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- *GENESIS 41:38-39* - JOSEPH'S RELATIONSHIP WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

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- *NUMBERS 11* AND THE 70 – "MANY OLD TESTAMENT LEADERS WERE INDWELT WITH THE SPIRIT."

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- *ISAIAH 63:9-11, NUMBERS 11:25, 2KINGS 2:15, ISAIAH 11:2* - MOSES

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- *2SAMUEL 23:2* - DAVID SPOKE OF HIS LAST ORACLE BY THE SPIRIT

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- **ACTS 3:22, LUKE 7:11-17 – THE OLD TESTAMENT ANTICIPATES A MESSIAH WHO FUNCTIONS AS A PROPHETIC LEADER IN THE TRADITION OF MOSES AND ELIJAH**

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- **1SAMUEL 16:14 – THE SPIRIT DEPARTS SAUL**

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- **1SAMUEL 16:13 – THE SPIRIT CAME UPON DAVID**

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**WE SEE THAT THE HOLY SPIRIT IS AT WORK RESTING UPON SOME, AND ABIDING OR TAKING RESIDENCE IN A FEW. THEN TOWARD THE END OF THE OLD TESTAMENT WE SEE SOMETHING SHIFTS:**

*JOEL 2:28* – <sup>28</sup>And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, and your young men will see visions.

**ALL PEOPLE, REGARDLESS OF GENDER, AGE, BACKGROUND, RACE, OR RANK. IT DOESN'T MATTER HOW MUCH RELIGIOUS BACKGROUND YOU HAVE OR WHERE YOU COME FROM. GOD PROMISES THAT THE HOLY SPIRIT (THE PROMISE) IS FOR \_\_\_\_ !**

## EVIDENCE OF THE WORKING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE NEW TESTAMENT

EVERYONE CONNECTED TO THE BIRTH OF JESUS WAS \_\_\_\_\_ WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT.

- **JOHN THE BAPTIST:** *LUKE 1:15* – <sup>15</sup>for he will be great in the sight of the Lord. He is never to take wine or other fermented drink, and he will be **filled with the Holy Spirit** even from birth.
- **MARY THE MOTHER OF JESUS:** *LUKE 1:35* – <sup>35</sup>The angel answered, “**The Holy Spirit** will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God.
- **ELIZABETH:** *LUKE 1:41* – <sup>41</sup>When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the baby leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with the **Holy Spirit**.
- **ZECHARIAH:** *LUKE 1:67* – <sup>67</sup>His father Zechariah was filled with the **Holy Spirit** and prophesied.

JOHN PROPHETICALLY KNEW THAT JESUS WAS THE MESSIAH AND THROUGH HIM THE HOLY SPIRIT WAS GOING TO COME.

*LUKE 3:16* – <sup>16</sup>John answered them all, “I baptize you with water. But one more powerful than I will come, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the **Holy Spirit** and with fire.

BAPTIZE MEANS TO PLUNGE, OR TO DRENCH. THE HOLY SPIRIT WANTS TO DO THE SAME THING IN OUR LIVES. HE WANTS TO \_\_\_\_\_ US IN HIS SPIRIT, HE WANTS US TO BE \_\_\_\_\_ IN THE SPIRIT.

*ACTS 1:8* – <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere – in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

*ACTS 2:2-4* – <sup>2</sup>Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

WHO GOT FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT? ALL OF THEM. THE AMAZING  
\_\_\_\_\_ OF THE HOLY SPIRIT WAS NOW BEING \_\_\_\_\_ OUT ON  
EVERYONE.

VERSE 15 EXPLAINS THE PROMISE. VERSES 37-39 SPELL OUT THAT THIS IS FOR  
YOU AND FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS TO COME. NOW WE LIVE IN THE AGE OF  
\_\_\_\_\_.

*FILL-IN ANSWER KEY: TRINITY, ROLE, FUNCTION, RELATIONAL, SELF-DIRECTED, OTHERS DIRECTED,  
COMMUNAL, EMOTIONS, WILL, GOD, TRINITY, MYSTERIOUS, MYSTERIOUS, SEE, EFFECTS, PLAN,  
PURPOSE, PLAN, PURPOSE, ALL PEOPLE, FILLED, SUBMERGE, INTOXICATED, PROMISE, POURED,  
THE HOLY SPIRIT*

# SESSION #2:

## WHAT DOES THE HOLY SPIRIT DO?

### THE HOLY SPIRIT TRULY REVOLUTIONIZES OUR LIVES IN TWO WAYS

HE FIRST \_\_\_\_\_ OUR CHARACTER. SECOND, HE \_\_\_\_\_ US WITH SPIRITUAL GIFTS.

#### 1) THE HOLY SPIRIT TAKES RESIDENCE INSIDE OF US AT S \_\_\_\_\_

WHEN WE CROSS THE LINE INTO A RELATIONSHIP WITH HIM, WE BECOME \_\_\_\_\_. WE GET TO HAVE A \_\_\_\_\_ THROUGH HIS SPIRIT.

*ROMANS 8:14-15* – <sup>14</sup>For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. <sup>15</sup>So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when He adopted you as His own children. Now we call Him, "Abba, Father."

WE DON'T HAVE TO BE \_\_\_\_\_ TO FEAR ANYMORE. WE HAVE BECOME ACCEPTED BY GOD AND HAVE BECOME \_\_\_\_\_. WE KNOW BECAUSE WE HAVE RECEIVED THE HOLY SPIRIT INSIDE OF US.

*2 CORINTHIANS 1:21-22* – <sup>21</sup>It is God who enables us, along with you, to stand firm for Christ. He has commissioned us, <sup>22</sup>and he has identified us as his own by placing the Holy Spirit in our hearts as the first installment that guarantees everything he has promised us.

THE FIRST ROLE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IS TO TAKE \_\_\_\_\_ IN OUR LIVES. HE BECOMES THE \_\_\_\_\_, OR LORD.

*1 CORINTHIANS 6:19* – <sup>19</sup>Do you not know that your bodies are **temples of the Holy Spirit**, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own;

WHEN WE \_\_\_\_\_, THERE IS GENUINE LIFE CHANGE BECAUSE WE ARE NOW \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE LIVING AND ALL-POWERFUL SPIRIT OF GOD.

#### 2) THE HOLY SPIRIT TRANSFORMS OUR C \_\_\_\_\_

*TITUS 3:4-6* – <sup>4</sup>But – When God our Savior revealed his kindness and love, <sup>5</sup>he saved us, not because of the righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He washed away our sins, giving us a new birth and new life through the Holy Spirit. <sup>6</sup>He generously poured out the Spirit upon us through Jesus Christ our Savior.

WHEN WE \_\_\_\_\_ CONTINUALLY TO GOD:

- WE START FEELING \_\_\_\_\_ TO DO THINGS THAT WE DIDN'T BEFORE
- WE START FEELING \_\_\_\_\_ REGARDING THINGS THAT WE DO AND SAY THAT DISHONOR GOD AND HIS CHILDREN

*JOHN 14:16* – <sup>14</sup>And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you.

*GALATIANS 5:16-23* – <sup>16</sup>So I say, let the Holy Spirit guide your lives. Then you won't be doing what your sinful nature craves. <sup>17</sup>The sinful nature wants to do evil, which is just the opposite of what the Spirit wants. And the Spirit gives us desires that are the opposite of what the sinful nature desires. These two forces are constantly fighting each other, so you are not free to carry out your good intentions. <sup>18</sup>But when you are directed by the Spirit, you are not under obligation to the law of Moses.

<sup>19</sup>When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, the results are very clear: sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures, <sup>20</sup>idolatry, sorcery, hostility, quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissension, division, <sup>21</sup>envy, drunkenness, wild parties, and other sins like these. Let me tell you again, as I have before, that anyone living that sort of life will not inherit the Kingdom of God.

<sup>22</sup>But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup>gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against these things!

IF THERE IS NOT \_\_\_\_\_ MOVEMENT IN OUR LIVES, WHETHER THE FIRST LIST IS \_\_\_\_\_ OR THE SECOND LIST IS \_\_\_\_\_, THEN WE ARE \_\_\_\_\_ THE HOLY SPIRIT! A FOLLOWER OF JESUS SHOULD ALWAYS HAVE \_\_\_\_\_ INSIDE OF THEM IF THEY ARE ACTIVELY WALKING WITH JESUS, BECAUSE THE HOLY SPIRIT TRANSFORMS OUR CHARACTER.

*\*Prayer by Francis Chan: I am tired of living in a way that looks exactly like people who do not have the Holy Spirit of God living in them. I want to consistently live with an awareness of His strength. I want to be different today from what I was yesterday as the fruit of the Spirit becomes more manifest in me. I want to live so that I am truly submitted to the Spirit's leading on a daily basis. Christ said it is better for us that the Spirit came, and I want to live like I know that is true. I don't want to keep crawling when I have the ability to fly.*

## 5) THE HOLY SPIRIT EMPOWERS US WITH SPIRITUAL G \_\_\_\_\_

*1 CORINTHIANS 12:1-11* – <sup>1</sup>Now, dear brothers and sisters, regarding your question about the special abilities the Spirit gives us. I don't want you to misunderstand this.

<sup>2</sup>You know that when you were still pagans, you were led astray and swept along in

worshiping speechless idols. <sup>3</sup>So I want you to know that no one speaking by the Spirit of God will curse Jesus, and no one can say Jesus is Lord, except by the Holy Spirit.

<sup>4</sup>There are different kinds of spiritual gifts, but the same Spirit is the source of them all.

<sup>5</sup>There are different kinds of service, but we serve the same Lord. <sup>6</sup>God works in different ways, but it is the same God who does the work in all of us.

<sup>7</sup>A spiritual gift is given to each of us so we can help each other. <sup>8</sup>To one person the Spirit gives the ability to give wise advice; to another the same Spirit gives a message of special knowledge. <sup>9</sup>The same Spirit gives great faith to another, and to someone else the one Spirit gives the gift of healing. <sup>10</sup>He gives one person the power to perform miracles, and another the ability to prophesy. He gives someone else the ability to discern whether a message is from the Spirit of God or from another spirit. Still another person is given the ability to speak in unknown languages, while another is given the ability to interpret what is being said. <sup>11</sup>It is the one and only Spirit who distributes all these gifts. He alone decides which gift each person should have.

**GOD WANTS TO GIVE US \_\_\_\_\_. THE LIST ABOVE IS GOD'S \_\_\_\_\_ FOR THE CHURCH (THE *PEOPLE*). HE DOESN'T WANT US TO BE \_\_\_\_\_ ABOUT THE SPIRITUAL GIFTS AND WHAT THEY ARE FOR.**

**VIDEO: PASTOR FRANCIS CHAN**

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## SUMMARY OF SESSION #2

### THE HOLY SPIRIT...

1. COMES AND DWELLS INSIDE OF US WHEN WE CROSS THE LINE
2. TRANSFORMS OUR CHARACTER
3. EMPOWERS US WITH SPIRITUAL GIFTS

SUCCESS IN \_\_\_\_\_ AND IN \_\_\_\_\_ IS IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER INTRINSICALLY LINKED TO ONE'S PERSONAL DECISION TO \_\_\_\_\_.

*FILL-IN ANSWER KEY:* TRANSFORMS, EMPOWERS, SALVATION, NEW, RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD, SLAVES, CHILDREN OF GOD, RESIDENCE, OWNER, CROSS THE LINE, TEMPLES, CHARACTER, SURRENDER, DESIRES, CONVICTION, CONSISTENT, DECREASING, INCREASING, QUENCHING, SOMETHING CHANGING, GIFTS, SPIRITUAL GIFTS, VISION, IGNORANT, FAITH, LIFE, YIELD.

# SESSION #3: HOW CAN I BE BAPTIZED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT?

## THE HOLY SPIRIT

EVERY CHRISTIAN HAS THE HOLY SPIRIT LIVING IN THEM. WHEN YOU PUT YOUR TRUST IN GOD, HE PUTS HIS SPIRIT INSIDE OF YOU LIKE A \_\_\_\_\_, OR \_\_\_\_\_ (*EPHESIANS 1:13-15 & 2CORINTHIANS 5:5*).

THE BIBLE ALSO MAKES IT CLEAR THAT NO ONE CAN EVEN COME TO GOD UNLESS THEY ARE \_\_\_\_\_ BY THE SPIRIT OF GOD (*JOHN 6:44*).

YET WE SEE THE APOSTLE PAUL WRITE TO THE CHURCH IN EPHESUS, TO BE FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT.

*EPHESIANS 5:18* – <sup>18</sup>Don't be drunk with wine, because that will ruin your life. Instead, be filled with the Holy Spirit

IF WE HAVE THE HOLY SPIRIT COME LIVE INSIDE OF US AT SALVATION, WHY WOULD PAUL COMMAND US TO BE FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT?

## VIDEO: PASTOR ROBERT MORRIS

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## BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

IT IS VERY CLEAR IN SCRIPTURE THAT THERE IS AN *ADDITIONAL BAPTISM* IN THE HOLY SPIRIT THAT IS *IN ADDITION TO* THE INITIAL EXPERIENCE WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT AT SALVATION. FOR SOME THEY HAPPEN \_\_\_\_\_, FOR OTHERS THEY ARE \_\_\_\_\_, BUT THEY ARE \_\_\_\_\_ EXPERIENCES.

THE FIRST IS A \_\_\_\_\_ EXPERIENCE OF SALVATION WHEN THE HOLY SPIRIT COMES TO LIVE IN YOU; THE SECOND IS A \_\_\_\_\_ DAILY OVERFLOW AND INFILLING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. THE PURPOSE OF THE SECOND IS FOR EMPOWERMENT FOR MISSION.

## A LOOK AT THE OLD TESTAMENT AND EARLY NEW TESTAMENT

- DAVID IS NAMED A TOTAL OF 13 TIMES IN LUKE AND 11 TIMES IN ACTS.
- *LUKE 1:27, 32, 69, 2:4; ACTS 1:16, 2:25, 29, 34*
- *2SAMUEL 7*

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- *LUKE 2:11*

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- *ACTS 1:16 & 2:25*

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- *ACTS 1:3, 6; ACTS 28:28, 31*

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- *LUKE 2:11*

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LUKE PURPOSELY FASHIONED THE NARRATIVE OF ACTS IN SUCH A WAY AS TO PLACE THE ENTIRE STORY IN THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF GOD'S KINGDOM THROUGH JESUS CHRIST. THE BOOK OF ACTS IS NOT ABOUT TONGUES. IT IS ABOUT THE \_\_\_\_\_ BEING \_\_\_\_\_ BY JESUS.

## TONGUES ARE A PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST AS LORD; A PROPHETIC SIGN OF JESUS

*ACTS 2:36* – <sup>36</sup>Let all the house of Israel, therefore, know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ this Jesus whom you crucified

*ACTS 10:36* – <sup>36</sup>As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching the good news of peace through JESUS CHRIST (he is Lord of all)

*ACTS 28:31* – <sup>31</sup>proclaiming the kingdom of God and teaching the things concerning the Lord Jesus Christ.

**TONGUES IS ALL ABOUT DECLARING THE LORDSHIP OF JESUS CHRIST. EVERY TIME IN ACTS WE SEE FOLLOWERS OF CHRIST BAPTIZED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT, IT WAS SO THEY COULD \_\_\_\_\_ THE KINGDOM OF GOD (THE DEATH AND RESURRECTION OF JESUS) TO OTHERS WITH BOLDNESS.**

## A NEW SPIRITUAL GIFT

**WHY WOULD GOD CHOOSE TO USE TONGUES AS A NEW SPIRITUAL GIFT? TONGUES ARE A \_\_\_\_\_ AND THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE PROPHECY IN JOEL.**

*JOEL 2:28-29* – <sup>28</sup>And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. <sup>29</sup>Even on the male and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit.

**ACTS IS THE FIRST TIME THE HOLY SPIRIT IS POURED OUT ON \_\_\_\_\_ FLESH. IT ALSO IS SYMBOLIC FOR THE NATIONS. JESUS SAID THE GOSPEL WOULD BE PREACHED IN EVERY NATION AND THEN THE END WOULD COME. TONGUES REPRESENTS THE \_\_\_\_\_ OF THE NATIONS EXALTING THE NAME OF JESUS.**

**WHY SHOULD EVERY CHRIST FOLLOWER SEEK TO BE FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT?**

*1CORINTHIANS 12:31a* – <sup>31</sup>Now eagerly desire the greater gifts.

*1CORINTHIANS 14:1-2* – <sup>1</sup>Pursue love, and earnestly desire the spiritual gifts, especially that you may prophesy. <sup>2</sup>For one who speaks in a tongue speaks not to men, but to God; for no one understands him, but he utters mysteries in the Spirit.

**WE SEE IN THE TWO VERSES ABOVE TO \_\_\_\_\_ THE SPIRITUAL GIFTS, ESPECIALLY PROPHECY.**

**THE GIFT OF TONGUES IS DIFFERENT FROM ALL OTHER GIFTS. IT IS THE ONLY GIFT THAT HAS TWO FUNCTIONS.**

- A PUBLIC FUNCTION: When combined with interpretation it can bless the congregation.
- A PRIVATE FUNCTION: It bless the person who is speaking in tongues (own personal building up).

**EVERY OTHER SPIRITUAL GIFT IS FOR THE EDIFICATION OF THE \_\_\_\_\_ ONLY. ONLY TONGUES EDIFIES THE \_\_\_\_\_ AS WELL.**

*1CORINTHIANS 14:4-5* – <sup>4</sup>The one who speaks in a tongue builds up himself, but the one who prophesies builds up the church. <sup>5</sup>Now I want you all to speak in tongues, but even more to prophesy. The one who prophesies is greater than the one who speaks in tongues, unless someone interprets, so that the church may be built up.

*1CORINTHIANS 14:18* – <sup>18</sup>I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you.

**WE ARE CALLED TO BUILD OURSELVES UP DURING THE WEEK BUT WHEN YOU COME TO THE BODY OF CHRIST IT IS TO BENEFIT \_\_\_\_\_. THE NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH WAS CREATED FOR THE BODY TO COME TOGETHER AND BUILD EACH OTHER UP AND THEN GO ON MISSION.**

**WE SPEAK IN TONGUES AS THE HOLY SPIRIT EMPOWERS US. THE SPIRIT DOESN'T SPEAK IN TONGUES – WE DO.**

*ACTS 2:4* – <sup>4</sup>And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

## **BEING FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT**

### **HOW DO I KNOW IF I HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT?**

**IF SOMEONE HAS BEEN BAPTIZED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT THEY MUST DO SOMETHING \_\_\_\_\_ (SUPERNATURAL). ACCORDING TO LUKE/ACTS EMPOWERMENT IS AN EXPERIENCE WHERE YOU DO SOMETHING OBJECTIVELY SUPERNATURAL. SOMETHING BEYOND YOUR NATURAL ABILITY. THE CONSISTENT THEME IN ACTS IS THAT TONGUES IS THE INITIAL PHYSICAL EVIDENCE.**

### **THE MAIN FOCUS**

**YOU CAN BE FAR FROM GOD AND SPEAK IN TONGUES. WE DON'T USE SPIRITUAL GIFTS AS A WAY TO MEASURE PEOPLE, WE USE THE FRUIT TO**

MEASURE PEOPLE. GIFTS ARE FREE BUT FRUIT IS DEVELOPED THROUGH RELATIONSHIP.

THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT HAS MORE TO DO WITH EXALTING JESUS AND DECLARING HIS KINGDOM THAN IT HAS TO DO WITH TONGUES. TONGUES ARE THE INITIAL SIGN OR EVIDENCE BUT NOT THE MAIN FOCUS. THE MAIN FOCUS IS JESUS!

### HOW CAN I RECEIVE BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT?

- **SEEK TO KNOW JESUS MORE**
- **SIMPLY BY ASKING**  
*LUKE 11:9-10* – <sup>9</sup>So I say to you: Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. <sup>10</sup>For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened.
- **SIMPLY RECEIVE**
- **BEGIN WORSHIPPING AND FOCUSING ON JESUS!**
  - **FOUR BARRIERS TO RECEIVING:**
    1. DOUBT – *ACTS 2:38*
    2. FEAR – *LUKE 11:11-13*
    3. INADEQUACY – *ACTS 2:2-4, 15, 37-39*
    4. WAITING FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT TO TAKE OVER – *1CORINTHIANS 14:18*

*FILL-IN ANSWER KEY: DEPOSIT, GUARANTEE, DRAWN, SIMULTANEOUSLY, SEPARATE, DISTINCT, ONE-TIME, CONTINUAL, CONTEXT, KINGDOM, FULFILLED, PROCLAIM, SIGN, FULFILLMENT, ALL, BEAUTY, SEEK, BODY, INDIVIDUAL, OTHERS, EMPOWERED.*