The Spirit-Filled Life Pt 4. August 27, 2023

"Receive"

Key Verse

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and **lean not on your own understanding**; in all your ways submit to Him, and He will make your paths straight.**Proverbs 3:5-6**

1. Trust with all your heart:

a) <u>Believe</u> (Deuteronomy 6:1-4)

b) Obey (Deuteronomy 6:5-7)

c) Faith (Hebrews 11:1-2)

2. Three Symptoms of "Led" POISONING.

a) Led by **REASONING.** (Luke 9:13)

b) Led by **EMOTIONS / FEELINGS.** (Matthew 14: 28)

c) Led BY **FALSE SPIRITS**. (1 John 4:1-3)

Ecce Quam Videri = To Be, Rather than to Seem.

.... Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. **John 20:21-22**

3. Three Essential <u>ATTITUDES</u> To receive the Holy Spirit.

a) Jesus <u>HUMBLED</u> Himself. (Matthew 3:13-15)

b) Jesus **SURRENDERED**. (Matthew 4:1-11)

c) Jesus was **OBEDIENT**. (Hebrews 4:14-16)

- **4.** Three Steps to Receiving the Holy Spirit Immersion.
 - a) You must **ASK.**
 - b) You must **BELIEVE.** (Trust)
 - c) You must **RECEIVE.**

The Bottom Line:

Remember: The primary work of the Holy Spirit is to LEAD (move, draw, point, reveal, and transforms) us to be like Jesus the God/Man.

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At Manna Church, We believe...

...the Bible teaches that the Lord Jesus Christ baptizes **regenerated believers** in the Holy Spirit. (John 15:26)

The baptism of the Holy Spirit is an empowering work of the Spirit, which is distinct from the regenerating work of the Spirit, which is offered to every Christian.

Reflect and Respond

- 1. What does it mean to fully trust in the Lord with all of your heart? Can. Describe a time when you fully trusted? Have you ever shared this story with any one else? Why (or) Why Not?
- 2. In what areas of your life are you "leaning on your own understanding?" What is keeping you from trusting the Lord)be honest with yourself and with the Lord)?
- 3. Can you identify your biggest fear? Human reasoning? Could the enemy be trying to block you from experiencing God's fullness? Can you talk to the Lord (pray) about your fears and hesitations? What might happen if you committed this to the Lord?
- 4. Over the past month, Pastor Tom has talked about the necessity of being baptized (immersed) in the Holy Spirit. Have you asked your Heavenly Father to baptize (immerse) you in His Holy Spirit? If not, Why?

Luke 11:11-13

Which of you fathers, if your son asks for a fish, will give him a snake instead? Or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"