



PARAKLETOS

A STUDY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



CROSSROADS CHURCH
STATEN ISLAND

Week 2:
Baptism of the Holy
Spirit

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Objective: *To provide a thorough description of the Holy Spirit.*

Goals:

Increase awareness of the Holy Spirit

Increase availability to the Holy Spirit

Increase application of the Holy Spirit

Lesson and Schedule Considerations:

Week 1: *Identity of The Holy Spirit.....Ray Parascando*

Week 2: *Baptism of The Holy Spirit....Ray Parascando*

Week 3: *Acts of The Holy Spirit.....Ray Parascando*

Week 4: *Grieving The Holy Spirit.....Dan Cogna*

Week 5: *Quenching The Holy Spirit.....Ray Parascando*

Week 6: *Indwelling of The Holy Spirit....Dan Cogna*

Week 7: *Fruits of The Holy Spirit.....John Palumbo*

Week 8: *Gifts of The Holy Spirit.....John Palumbo*

Week 9: *Filing of The Holy Spirit.....Ray Parascando*



Small Groups

Week 2: Baptism of The Holy Spirit



Get Connected.....15 Minutes

Opening Discussion Questions:

1. Please read this week's memory verses from First Corinthians 12:12-13. What does Paul say about the baptism of the Holy Spirit?

Memory Verses | Week 2:

*"For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. **13** For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit." — First Corinthian 12:12-13*

Host Tip: Stream the lesson after the memory verse is read.



Start Lesson.....20 Minutes

Week 2: Baptism of The Holy Spirit

— With Ray Parascando

Welcome back to Week 2 of our Study of the Holy Spirit Small Group curriculum. During our time together today, we will discuss the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Let's begin with the following statement:

- At the moment of salvation, God gives two great gifts to all believers: the **removal** of sin and the **receiving** of the Holy Spirit.

One of the ways to describe your possession of the Spirit is to understand the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

First Corinthians 12:12-13 / ESV, *"For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. **13** For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit."*

Definition: *The baptism of the Holy Spirit is an act by God's Holy Spirit whereby He takes a believer and places him in the body of Christ.*

Misconceptions:

- Experiential we are not to seek the baptism of the Holy Spirit
- Physical
- Verbal

Keys to Understanding the Baptism of the Holy Spirit:

1. Focus on God's redemptive timeline.

Acts 2:1-4 / ESV, *"When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. 2 And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. 3 And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance."*

2. Keep the prophecy and promise concerning the Baptism of the Holy Spirit in mind.

• Predicted by John the Baptist:

Mark 1:8 / ESV, *"I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."*

• Promised by Jesus:

Acts 1:5 / ESV, *"for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."*

3. Mark the difference between the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and the Filling of the Holy Spirit.

Ephesians 5:18 / ESV, *"And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit..."*

4. View the Baptism of the Holy Spirit as God placing you in fellowship with the body of Christ.

First Corinthians 12:13a / ESV, *"For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body."*

Stand firm if God's pardon and my position in Christ.

- *With confidence*
- *With a contrite heart.*
- *With contribution*

