



Sermon Series: 16 Fundamental Truths

Message Title: Truth #7 – **The Baptism in the Holy Spirit**

Truth #8 – Initial Physical Evidence of Baptism in the Holy Spirit

What are the 16 Fundamental Truths?

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Truth #7 - The Baptism in the Holy Spirit:

All believers are entitled to and should ardently expect and earnestly seek the promise of the Father, the baptism in the Holy Spirit and fire, according to the command of our Lord Jesus Christ. This was the normal experience of all in the early Christian Church. With it comes the endowment of power for life and service, the bestowment of the gifts and their uses in the work of the ministry. **Luke 24:49; Acts 1:4-5,8; 1 Corinthians 12:1-31**

This experience is Distinct from & Subsequent to Salvation

Salvation is received through **repentance** toward God and **faith** toward the Lord Jesus Christ. By the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, being justified by grace through faith, man becomes an heir of God, according to the hope of eternal life.

Acts 8:12-17; Acts 10:44-46; Acts 11:14-16; Acts 15:7-9.

****With the baptism in the Holy Spirit come such experiences as:**

1. An Overflowing Fullness of the Spirit. **John 7:37-39**
2. A Deepened Reverence for God. **Acts 2:43; Hebrews 12:28-29**
3. An Intensified Consecration to God & Dedication to His Work.
Acts 2:42; Romans 12:9-18
4. A More Active Love for Christ, for His Word & for the Lost.

Mark 16:20 Acts 4:8-12

SIGNIFICANCE:

We believe after centuries of neglect, Pentecostals have brought back into the Christian experience, an appropriate emphasis on the person & work of the Holy Spirit (**Acts 1:8**).

Truth #8 - The Initial Physical Evidence:

The baptism of Christians in the Holy Spirit is accompanied by the initial physical sign of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit of God gives them audible expression.

SCRIPTURAL EXAMPLES:

Acts 2:1-4 – 1 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[a] 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

Acts 8:14-17 – 14 Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John, **15** who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit, **16** for he had not yet fallen on any of them, but they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. **17** Then they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.

Acts 9:15-19 – 15 But the Lord said to him, “Go, for he is a chosen instrument of mine to carry my name before the Gentiles and kings and the children of Israel. **16** For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name.” **17** So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, “Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.” **18** And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was baptized; **19** and taking food, he was strengthened.

Acts 10:44-48 – 44 While Peter was still saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell on all who heard the word. **45** And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out even on the Gentiles. **46** For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter declared, **47** “Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?” **48** And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

Acts 19:1-6 – 1 And it happened that while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul passed through the inland country and came to Ephesus. There he found some disciples. **2** And he said to them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?” And they said, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.” **3** And he said, “Into what then were you baptized?” They said, “Into John's baptism.” **4** And Paul said, “John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, Jesus.” **5** On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. **6** And when Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they began speaking in tongues and prophesying.