

## DNA 2 Baptism and Gifts of the Holy Spirit

### Bible calls the HS “Comforter”

The word comforter in the Greek is; paraclete which means: Comforter, Counselor, Helper, Intercessor, Advocate, Strengtheners and Standby.

By sending the Holy Spirit Jesus could break the limitations of having to be in one place at one time.

Holy Spirit is with us. Conviction of sin leading to Salvation

Holy Spirit inside us. Salvation Experience or New Birth

Holy Spirit upon us. Power to bear witness of Christ

### What is the Baptism of the Holy Spirit

**John 16:6-7:** Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you.

### Salvation, Water Baptism and HS Baptism, Separate experiences?

Some people say “Well I am Born again, I am born of Spirit” I have the Holy Ghost already! They quote; **John 20:22: And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit.**

This was actually the born again experience. We receive Jesus via the Holy Spirit in getting born again. How do we know this? Because if disciples received the HS then why did they need to wait again in Acts chapter 1?

### Scripture clearly shows that they are 3 different experiences

**Acts 8: 12 – 17:** But when they **believed Philip** *(1. born again experience)* as he preached the things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, **both men and women were baptized.** *(2. Water Baptism experience)* ...skip to verse 14  
14 Now when the apostles who were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, 15 who, when they had come down, prayed for them that they might **receive the Holy Spirit.** *(3. Baptism of Holy Spirit experience)* 16 For as yet He had fallen upon none of them. They had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus *(water baptism).* 17 Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

### Purpose of the Baptism of the HS

1. **Bear Witness:** primary purpose of baptism is power and boldness to witness.

**Acts 1:8:** 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.”

*You shall receive virtue, miracle ability, supernatural energy after the holy ghost has come upon you for a specific purpose, to enable you to give absolute evidence and miraculous proof of my resurrection (amplified)*

**Acts 4 v 33:** And with great power (not great witnessing) the apostles gave witness to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus.

He told the Disciples to wait for the baptism of the Holy Spirit before going out and fulfilling the great commission. **See Acts 1:8.** If the apostles who walked talked and lived with Jesus needed the Baptism of the HS before they went out to reach the lost and make disciples how much more do we need this today?

## **2. Power for Guidance:**

**John 16:13:** *"However, when He, the Spirit of truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth; for He will not speak on His own authority, but whatever He hears He will speak; and He will tell you things to come."*

*The HS shows us what is to come, sometimes he does this through other people, through circumstances, through his word, by a thought, impression, dream, vision, there are so many ways that the HS communicates to us.*

## **3. Power for life Change:**

**Acts 10 v 38:** how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.

**Why do people get slain in the spirit?** (main thing is are they touched by God)

**John 18 v 6:** Now when He said to them, "I am He," they drew back and fell to the ground.

**Ezekial 3 v 23:** So I arose and went out into the plain, and behold, the glory of the LORD stood there, like the glory which I saw by the River Chebar; and I fell on my face. Then the Spirit entered me and set me on my feet.

**Psalms 115 v3:** But our God *is* in heaven; He does whatever He pleases.

**Holy Spirit is God and he can do what he likes – Spit mans tongue/mud**

**Mark 7 v 31 - 35:** Some people brought a man who could neither hear nor speak and **asked Jesus to lay a healing hand on him.** He took the man off by himself, put his fingers in the man's ears and some spit on the man's tongue. Then Jesus looked up in prayer, groaned mightily, and commanded, "Ephphatha!—Open up!" And it happened. The man's hearing was clear and his speech plain—just like that.

**1 Corinthians 2 v 14:** But the natural man does not receive the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.

**Romans 1 v 9:** god who I serve with my spirit. We are made in the image and likeness of God, God is spirit, bible says those who worship god must do so in spirit and in truth.

4. **Power for Prayer:**

**Acts 4 v 31:** And when they had prayed, the place where they were assembled together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness.

**Romans 8:26-27:** Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. 27 Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to *the will of God*.

5. **Power for Holiness: struggle in prayer because you struggle in sin**

**2 Peter 1:3-4:** as His divine power (HS) has given to us all things that *pertain* to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue, 4 by which have been given to us exceedingly great and precious promises, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption *that is* in the world through lust.

Bible says if you walk in the spirit you wont fulfill the lusts of the flesh.

The baptism with the Holy Spirit will not of itself make you a better Christian. We need to allow the Holy Spirit to convict us of our wrong attitudes and develop our Character, 9 gifts and 9 fruits of the Spirit working with each other brings great balance in our lives.

**Facts about the Gifts of the HS**

**1. Don't be ignorant: 1 Corinthians 12** Now concerning spiritual *gifts*, brethren, **I do not want you to be ignorant...**

Yet we find so much of the Church in a state of ignorance over the Gifts, whether it be poor teaching or no teaching it seems that in many Churches the Holy Spirit is often acknowledged but then ignored.

**2. Gifts are to be used**

**God has an expectation and command that we use the Gifts**

**Romans 12: 6:** Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, **let us use them:**

**1 Peter 4:10:** As each one has received a gift, **minister it** to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

**3. When should we use the Gifts?**

1 Cor 12:11 But one and the same Spirit works all these things, **distributing to each one individually as He wills.**

When does God give us these gifts? When we need them. When we need a word of knowledge that's what we will get. When we need the gift of prophecy that is when we will get it.

**4. Greek word for Gift/s is Charisma:**

*This is derived from Greek word Charis (Grace). So first off Grace is free it cannot be earned.*

**So Charisma is grace made effective, grace made available in a particular way, which is by the Gifts of the Spirit.**

*We can make God's grace available to mankind by the Gifts, for instance when we release the gift of healing to a person who is sick, we are effectively releasing God's grace to that person, as even though we do not deserve God's grace he still died for us and bore our sin and our sickness so we don't have to be in sin or sick.*