



Foundations Class Week 4: Holy Spirit

Objectives:

- Learn who the Holy Spirit is
- Discover the role of the Holy Spirit in our lives
- Remove the misconceptions about the Holy Spirit
- Learn of the benefits of the Holy Spirit
- Understand the Baptism of the Holy Spirit and Tongues
- Learn the ministry of the Holy Spirit for your life

Who is the Holy Spirit?

A. The Holy Spirit is God, the third part of the Trinity

¹ *“In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. ² The earth was without form, and void; and darkness was on the face of the deep. And the **Spirit** of God was hovering over the face of the waters.”³ Then God said...”* – Genesis 1:1-3

“In the beginning God” = Father

“Then God said” = Word, Jesus (John 1)

“Spirit of God” = Holy Spirit

B. The Holy Spirit is _____

*“Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence?”
-Psalm 139:7*

C. The Holy Spirit is _____

“And the angel answered and said to her, “The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Highest will overshadow you; therefore, also, that Holy One who is to be born will be called the Son of God.”- Luke 1:35

Misconceptions about the Holy Spirit

A. The Holy Spirit is not a Cosmic Hallway Monitor

John 16:8 that the Holy Spirit will, “Convict the *world* of sin...”

John 3:17

B. The Holy Spirit is not a force or conception, but a _____

The Role of the Holy Spirit

A. One of the primary purposes of the Holy Spirit is _____

“For the kingdom of God is not in word but in power.” - 1 Corinthians 4:20

*“When the Holy Spirit is in you, it is illegal to not conquer something.”
– Bill Johnson*

“But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you...” Acts 1:8

“Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.” – Romans 15:13

B. Jesus needed to operate under the influence of the Holy Spirit

“Then Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee...” Luke 4:14

“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.” – Acts 10:38

C. The Holy Spirit turned cowardly _____ into world changing _____

*“in mighty signs and wonders, by the **power** of the **Spirit** of God, so that from Jerusalem and round about to Illyricum I have fully preached the gospel of Christ”
– Romans 15:19*

D. The Holy Spirit bestows wisdom and understanding

¹² *“Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God.¹³ These things we also speak, not in words which man’s wisdom teaches but which the Holy Spirit teaches,” – 1 Corinthians 2:12-13*

¹ *But when they arrest you and deliver you up, do not worry beforehand, or premeditate what you will speak. But whatever is given you in that hour, speak that; for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit. – Mark 13:11*

Benefits of the Holy Spirit

“Bless the LORD, O my soul, And forget not all His benefits” – Psalm 103:2

What the Bible says the Holy Spirit gives:

- freedom in the Spirit (Romans 8:15-16)
- the Holy Spirit intercedes on our behalf (Romans 8:2,27)
- Helper in our times of need (John 16:7)
- the wisdom of God at our side (Ephesians 1:17)
- grafted into God’s family by the Spirit of adoption (Romans 8:15)

A. The Holy Spirit helps us renew our minds (Romans 12:2; 2 Corinthians 10:5)

B. The Holy Spirit helps in our study of the Word (2 Timothy 3:16)

“Some read the Scriptures in the Greek or Hebrew, I read mine in the Holy Ghost”
– Smith Wigglesworth

C. Jesus said the ministry of the Holy Spirit is a greater benefit than His earthly presence.

“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.” -John 16:7

Baptism of the Spirit

A. Every believer has the indwelling Holy Spirit but there is a separate experience of the Holy Spirit called the baptism of the Holy Spirit

*“And afterward, I will pour out my **Spirit** on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions.”*
– Joel 2:28

⁴ *And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, “which,” He said, “you have heard from Me; ⁵ for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.” Acts 8:4-5*

¹⁵ who, when they had come down, prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit. ¹⁶ For as yet He had fallen upon none of them. They had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. – Acts 8:15-16

B. The baptism of the Holy Spirit is what activates the power of God in your life

1. Jesus did no earthly ministry until *after* He was baptized in the Holy Spirit

¹⁶ When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. ¹⁷ And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.” – Matthew 3:16-17

How Do I receive the Baptism of the Holy Spirit?

A. _____ **for it.**

“For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened.” Luke 11:10

B. Pray and _____

*Father, I thank you for the gift of the promised Holy Spirit and I desire the power that comes from being baptized in the Holy Spirit. I ask now Lord that you fill me of Your Spirit and anoint me with power from on high. Thank you for the wonderful gift and with a glad and sincere heart, I receive all that you have for me.
In Jesus Name I pray, Amen.*

Gift of Tongues

1. The Biblical pattern of the baptism of the Holy Spirit is followed by speaking in tongues. The Scriptures show different accounts of this happening:

“All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.” – Acts 2:4

“While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message.” – Acts 10:44

2. Tongues are an unknown language from your spirit not your mind, that you pray with

*“For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my mind is unfruitful.”
– 1 Corinthians 14:14*

3. Speaking in tongues blesses with Personal _____

“But you, dear friends, by building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit,” – Jude 1:20

4. Tongues are an _____ weapon

¹⁷ *“And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God;”* ¹⁸ *praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit...” – Ephesians 6:17-18a*

Greater Intimacy through the Spirit

“The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.”- 1 Corinthians 13:14