

# CONNECTING WITH GOD LESSON 5

## THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY GHOST

### Read

#### Acts 2:1-4; 38

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#### Romans 8:9-15

*9 But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. 10 And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. 11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you. 12 Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh. 13 For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live. 14 For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God. 15 For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.*

The steps to salvation are not difficult or enshrouded in mystery!

1. **The first step is** \_\_\_\_\_; sorrowful attitude and confession of sin.
2. **The Second step is** \_\_\_\_\_; in the name of Jesus by immersion.
3. **Third step IS** \_\_\_\_\_; receiving the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

The word **GHOST** in the Bible is also translated **SPIRIT** in some places. Both words are translated from the Greek word **PNEUMA**, meaning spirit. So, the **HOLY SPIRIT** or **HOLY GHOST** is the **SPIRIT** of God. **HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD GOD ALMIGHTY!** He is Holy!

#### Genesis 1:2

*2 ...the Spirit of God moved on the face of the waters.*

#### John 4:24

*24 God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.*

#### Luke 24:39

*39 Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.*

## WHAT DOES THE OLD TESTAMENT SAY ABOUT THE HOLY GHOST?

**Isaiah 28:9-12** Tells of stammering lips and another tongue that God would give to His people.

*9 Whom shall he teach ... 11 For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people. 12 To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear.*

Paul spoke of this experience in **I Corinthians 14:21**

*21 In the law it is written, With men of other tongues and other lips will I speak unto this people; and yet for all that will they not hear me, saith the Lord*

Isaiah said that this experience would be like drawing water from the wells of salvation

**Isaiah 12:3**

*3 Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation.*

**Joel 2:28-29** Tells of God pouring out His Spirit upon all flesh:

*28 And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: 29 And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit.*

**Peter quotes these verses in Acts 2 and tells us that the outpouring of the Holy Ghost on the day of Pentecost was a fulfillment of that prophecy.**

**Isaiah 32:15** The Spirit would be poured down on us from heaven.

*15 Until the spirit be poured upon us from on high, and the wilderness be a fruitful field, and the fruitful field be counted for a forest.*

## **WHAT DOES THE NEW TESTAMENT SAY ABOUT THE HOLY GHOST?**

John the Baptist is quoted by all four Gospel writers that Jesus would baptize them with the Holy Ghost and with fire.

**Matthew 3:11**

*11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire:*

**Mark 1:8**

*8 I indeed have baptized you with water: but he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost.*

**Luke 3:16**

*16 John answered, saying unto them all, I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I cometh, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire:*

**John 1:33**

*33 And I knew him not: but he that sent me to baptize with water, the same said unto me, Upon whom thou shalt see the Spirit descending, and remaining on him, the same is he which baptizeth with the Holy Ghost.*

Jesus said that John was a prophet.

**Luke 7:24-30**

*24 And when the messengers of John were departed, he began to speak unto the people concerning John, What went ye out into the wilderness for to see? A reed shaken with the wind? 25 But what went ye out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they which are gorgeously appalled, and live delicately, are in kings' courts. 26 But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? Yea, I say unto you, and much more than a prophet. 27 This is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee. 28 For I say unto you, Among those that are born of women there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist: but he that is least in the kingdom of God is greater than he. 29 And all the people that heard him, and the publicans, justified God, being baptized with the baptism of John. 30 But the Pharisees and lawyers rejected the counsel of God against themselves, being not baptized of him.*

1. \_\_\_\_\_ (John 4:10-14)

**10** Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water. **11** The woman saith unto him, Sir, thou hast nothing to draw with, and the well is deep: from whence then hast thou that living water? **12** Art thou greater than our father Jacob, which gave us the well, and drank thereof himself, and his children, and his cattle? **13** Jesus answered and said unto her, Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again: **14** But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

2. \_\_\_\_\_ (John 3:1-8)

**1** There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: **2** The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him. **3** Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. **4** Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? **5** Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. **6** That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. **7** Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. **8** The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

3. \_\_\_\_\_ (John 14:16-17)

**16** And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever; **17** Even the Spirit of truth; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.

4. \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 1:8)

**8** But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

## WHAT IS THE HOLY GHOST?

Many different times in scripture the Holy Ghost is described. Notice the following:

### Romans 8:9-11 \_\_\_\_\_.

**9** But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. **10** And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. **11** But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

### I Corinthians 12:13 \_\_\_\_\_.

**13** For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

**John 3:1-8** \_\_\_\_\_.

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**Ephesians 4:30** \_\_\_\_\_.

**30** And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.

**II Corinthians 1:22** \_\_\_\_\_.

**22** Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.

**Isaiah 28:12** \_\_\_\_\_.

**12** To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear.

**Romans 8:15** \_\_\_\_\_.

**15** For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

**I Corinthians 10:1-4** \_\_\_\_\_.

**1** Moreover, brethren, I would not that ye should be ignorant, how that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea; **2** And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea; **3** And did all eat the same spiritual meat; **4** And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.

**Acts 1:8** \_\_\_\_\_.

**8** But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

**John 14:18-19; 26** \_\_\_\_\_.

**18** I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you. **19** Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see **26** But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

**WHO CAN HAVE THE HOLY GHOST?**

God has made conditional promises to those who want the Holy Ghost. When these Bible conditions are met, **ANYONE** can have the Holy Ghost. God is no respecter of persons, but will give the Holy Spirit to them that ask Him.

## Luke 11:13

*13 If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?*

Look at these following scriptures for what the Bible says:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

### **Joel 2:28-29**

*28 And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: 29 And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids In those days will I pour out my spirit.*

### **Acts 2:16-17**

*16 But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel; 17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:).*

2. \_\_\_\_\_

### **Matthew 3:11**

*11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire:*

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### **Acts 2:38-39**

*38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. 39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.*

4. \_\_\_\_\_

### **Acts 5:32**

*32 And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.*

5. \_\_\_\_\_

### **Acts 8:1-40 (5-6, 14-17)**

*5 Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them. 6 And the people with one accord gave heed unto those things which Philip spake, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did.*

*14 Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent unto them Peter and John: 15 Who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost: 16 (For as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.)*

*17 Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost.*

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### **Acts 10:44-48**

*44 While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. 45 And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also*

was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. **46** For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter, **47** Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we? **48** And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

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### **Acts 10:35**

*35 But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.*

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### **Revelation 5:9**

*9 And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;*

Angels desire to look into this great salvation, prophets have searched and inquire diligently into it and to think you and I can have it!

### **I Peter 1:10-12**

*10 Of which salvation the prophets have inquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you: **11** Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow. **12** Unto whom it was revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into.*

## **WHAT IS THE EVIDENCE OF THE HOLY GHOST?**

On the day of Pentecost, the birth of the church, one hundred and twenty spoke with other tongues as the Spirit gave them the utterance when they received the Holy Ghost.

### **Acts 2:1-4**

*1 And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. **2** And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. **3** And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. **4** And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.*

God's Word is very precise in giving us example after example to this phenomenal sign of speaking in tongues as evidence one has received the Holy Ghost. Millions have experienced this glorious ecstatic utterance when they receive the like precious gift.

**Paul spoke with tongues more than all the Corinthian church.**

### **I Corinthians 14:18**

*18 I thank my God, I speak with tongues more than ye all:*

**No doubt, the first occasion was when he received the Holy Ghost.**

**Acts 9:17-18**

*17 And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost. 18 And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.*

**Numerous scriptures are at your disposal for study, these are some of them.**

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**Isaiah 28:9-12**

*9 Whom shall he teach knowledge? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts. 10 For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little: 11 For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people. 12 To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear.*

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**Acts 19:1-6**

*1 And it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper coasts came to Ephesus: and finding certain disciples, 2 He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?*

*And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost. 3 And he said unto them, Unto what then were ye baptized? And they said, Unto John's baptism. 4 Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus. 5 When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. 6 And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied.*

## **SYNONYMOUS TERMS FOR THE GIFT OF THE HOLY GHOST**

The following nine terms are found in the Bible to describe the experience of the infilling Spirit. They are used interchangeably by different writers of the New Testament.

1. \_\_\_\_\_

### **Ephesians 4:5**

*5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism,*

### **Matthew 3:11**

*11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire:*

### **Mark 1:8**

*8 I indeed have baptized you with water: but he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost.*

### **Luke 3:16**

*16 John answered, saying unto them all, I indeed baptize you with water; but one mightier than I cometh, the latchet of whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire:*

### **Acts 1:5**

*5 For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.*

### **I Corinthians 12:13**

*13 For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.*

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### **Acts 10:45**

*45 And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the*



*Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost.*

**Acts 2:38**

*38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.*

**Acts 11:17**

*17 Forasmuch then as God gave them the like gift as he did unto us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; what was I, that I could withstand God?*

**Acts 8:20**

*20 But Peter said unto him, Thy money perish with thee, because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money.*

**Romans 5:5**

*5 And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.*

**Romans 6:23**

*23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

4. \_\_\_\_\_

**Acts 8:15-19**

*15 Who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost: 16 (For as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.) 17 Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost. 18 And when Simon saw that through laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Ghost was given, he offered them money, 19 Saying, Give me also this power, that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Ghost.*

**Acts 10:47**

*47 Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we?*

**Acts 19:2**

*2 He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost.*

**John 7:37-39**

*37 In the last day, that great day of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. 38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. 39 (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)*

5. \_\_\_\_\_

**Acts 1:8**

*8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.*

**Acts 19:6**

*6 And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied.*

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**Acts 10:44**

*44 While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word.*

**Acts 11:15**

*15 And as I began to speak, the Holy Ghost fell on them, as on us at the beginning.*

10. \_\_\_\_\_

**Titus 3:5-6**

*5 Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost; 6 Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior;*

**Acts 2:33**

*33 Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost, he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.*

**Romans 5:5**

*5 And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.*

When Cornelius and his household were filled with the Holy Ghost, four of these terms are used in five verses (**fell, poured out, gift, and receive**). Yet, it was only one experience.

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## **WHY IS THE HOLY GHOST SO IMPORTANT?**

God's Spirit is very important to us in our lives. It is a very sacred thing, so much so that Jesus warned us not to blaspheme (speak against), the Holy Ghost. Forgiveness can never be obtained for this sin. Blaspheme against the Holy Ghost is an unpardonable sin.

### **Mark 3:28-30**

**28** Verily I say unto you, All sins shall be forgiven unto the sons of men, and blasphemies wherewith soever they shall blaspheme: **29** But he that shall blaspheme against the Holy Ghost hath never forgiveness, but is in danger of eternal damnation. **30** Because they said, He hath an unclean spirit.

Great stress is laid upon the importance and the essentiality of the Holy Ghost in the Bible. **There are three basic and very important reasons for the Spirit of God to indwell in each Christian:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_.

### **Romans 8:9-11**

**9** But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. **10** And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. **11** But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

### **I Corinthians 12:3**

**3** Wherefore I give you to understand, that no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus accursed: and that no man can say that Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.

2. \_\_\_\_\_.

### **John 16:13**

**13** Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.

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### **Romans 8:26**

**26** Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

Once a person has accomplished the steps of faith, repentance, baptism, and has received the Holy Ghost, his salvation from sin is complete. Though this may sound like a difficult thing to do, it can be achieved in your life easily and quickly. It is your responsibility to believe and repent. Allow the minister to baptize you, then God will baptize you with Holy Ghost. This is Bible Salvation.

## SO WHAT IS SALVATION

Salvation is described in the Bible in many different ways. Here are just a few:

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### **John 13:10**

*10 Jesus saith to him, He that is washed needeth not save to wash his feet, but is clean every whit: and ye are clean, but not all.*

### **1 Corinthians 6:11**

*11 And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.*

### **1 Peter 1:22**

*22 Seeing ye have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ye love one another with a pure heart fervently:*

### **Revelation 1:7**

*7 Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.*

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### **Ephesians 2:1-6**

*1 And you hath he quickened, who were dead in trespasses and sins; 2 Wherein in time past ye walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience: 3 Among whom also we all had our conversation in times past in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others. 4 But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us, 5 Even when we were dead in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ, (by grace ye are saved;) 6 And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:*

### **Colossians 2:13**

*13 And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;*

### **Romans 6:1-11**

*1 What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound? 2 God forbid. How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein? 3 Know ye not, that so many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death? 4 Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the*

dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. **5** For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection: **6** Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin. **7** For he that is dead is freed from sin. **8** Now if we be dead with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with him: **9** Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; death hath no more dominion over him. **10** For in that he died, he died unto sin once: but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God. **11** Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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**John 3:1-8**

**1** There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews: **2** The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him. **3** Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God. **4** Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born? **5** Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. **6** That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. **7** Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again. **8** The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every one that is born of the Spirit.

**John 3:13**

**13** And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven.

**Galatians 4:29**

**29** But as then he that was born after the flesh persecuted him that was born after the Spirit, even so it is now.

**I Peter 1:23**

**23** Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth forever.

**I John 2:29**

**29** If ye know that he is righteous, ye know that every one that doeth righteousness is born of him.

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**Romans 2:28-29**

**28** For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh: **29** But he is a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision is that of the heart, in the spirit, and not in the letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.

## Also, look at

### **Philippians 3:3**

*3 For we are the circumcision, which worship God in the spirit, and rejoice in Christ Jesus, and have no confidence in the flesh.*

### **Colossians 2:10-13**

*10 And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power: 11 In whom also ye are circumcised with the circumcision made without hands, in putting off the body of the sins of the flesh by the circumcision of Christ: 12 Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead. 13 And you, being dead in your sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh, hath he quickened together with him, having forgiven you all trespasses;*

### **Galatians 3:29**

*29 And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.*

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### **Ephesians 2:6**

*6 And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:*

### **Romans 6:4-6**

*4 Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. 5 For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death, we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection: 6 Knowing this, that our old man is crucified with him, that the body of sin might be destroyed, that henceforth we should not serve sin.*

### **Colossians 1:13**

*13 Who hath delivered us from the power of darkness, and hath translated us into the kingdom of his dear Son:*

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### **Romans 14:17**

*17 For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.*

### **Acts 8:12**

*12 But when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were baptized, both men and women.*

### **Luke 12:31-32**

**31** But rather seek ye the kingdom of God; and all these things shall be added unto you. **32** Fear not, little flock; for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

**Matthew 16:19**

**19** And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

**Mark 12:34**

**34** And when Jesus saw that he answered discreetly, he said unto him, Thou art not far from the kingdom of God. And no man after that durst ask him any question.

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**Titus 3:5**

**5** Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;

**Acts 2:1-4**

**1** And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. **2** And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. **3** And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. **4** And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

**which comes through obeying the gospel**

**I Corinthians 15:1-4**

**1** Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand; **2** By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain. **3** For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; **4** And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures:

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**II Corinthians 5:17**

**17** Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

**Galatians 6:15**

**15** For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creature.

## **Stephen, the first martyr of the church was declared to be FULL of the Holy Ghost.**

### **Acts 6:3-8**

*3 Wherefore, brethren, look ye out among you seven men of honest report, full of the Holy Ghost and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business. 4 But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word. 5 And the saying pleased the whole multitude: and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Ghost, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas a proselyte of Antioch: 6 Whom they set before the apostles: and when they had prayed, they laid their hands on them. 7 And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied in Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith. 8 And Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people.*

**May we all attain that wonderful level in God!**