

# The Call to Tarry for the Holy Ghost

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## The Baptism of the Holy Ghost in the Great Commission

(Matthew 28:20) Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

This promise comes to pass through the indwelling power of the Spirit, John 14:16-18.

(Mark 16:17) And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues.

(Luke 24:49) And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you; but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

(John 20:22) And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost.

This was a commandment to receive the Holy Ghost. He did not give them the Spirit, because He told them that they would be baptized with the Holy Ghost in a few days. He did not say that they were baptized.

Jesus commanded them to wait for the promise. (Acts 1:4-5, 8) And, being assembled together with *them*, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, *saith he*, ye have heard of me. (5) For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. (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 Judæa, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

## The Work of the Spirit

By the Spirit we are born into the kingdom of God; (John 3:5) 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.

The Spirit adopts us into the family of God; (Romans 8:15-16) 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. (16) The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God.

The Spirit baptizes us into the body of Christ; (1 Corinthians 12:13) 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.

The Spirit sanctifies us; (1 Corinthians 6:11) 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.

The Spirit is the seal of our salvation; (Ephesians 1:13) In whom ye also *trusted*, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise.

The Spirit is the earnest (guarantee, first installment) of our inheritance; (Ephesians 1:14, GodsWord) This Holy Spirit is the guarantee that we will receive our inheritance. We have this guarantee until we are set free to belong to him. God receives praise and glory for this.

Righteousness and peace are in the Spirit; (Romans 14:17) For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

The Spirit brings power and gives a sound mind; (2 Timothy 1:7) For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.

Power to over come sin and live righteously; (Romans 8:4) That the righteousness of the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

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Resurrection power when Christ comes for His Church; (Romans 8:11) 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.

The Spirit becomes a teacher, a guide into all truth; (John 16:13) 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.

The Spirit works in our life to give us the ninefold fruit of the Spirit; (Galatians 5:22-23) But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, (23) Meekness, temperance: against such there is no law.

The Spirit brings rest for our souls, (Isaiah 28:11-12) 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.

### The Giving of the Holy Ghost

It is given in the last days (the Church Age, from Pentecost until the Second Coming of Christ); (Acts 2:16-18) 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: (18) And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.

When the Spirit comes, one will have stammering lips before receiving it, then he will speak in tongues (another language other than one he has knowledge of) as a sign that he has received it, Isaiah 28:11; Mark 16:17.

Accounts in the Bible, Acts 2:1-4; 8:17; 10:44-46; 19:6

### How to Receive the Holy Ghost

Believe in Christ as the Scriptures tell us; (John 7:38-39) 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.)

Obey the Word and believe that the promise is for you; (Acts 2:38-39) 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.

Ask for it; (Luke 11:9-13) And I say unto you, Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you. (10) For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened. (11) If a son shall ask bread of any of you that is a father, will he give him a stone? or if *he ask* a fish, will he for a fish give him a serpent? (12) Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? (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?

Ask in the name of Jesus; (Mark 16:17) And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues.

From the ascension of Christ until the day of Pentecost, the 120 tarried for the Holy Ghost by praying, Luke 24:52- 53, Acts 1:14. The attitude of worship, prayer, supplication, blessing and praising God, joined with joy is a good foundation to receiving the Holy Ghost.