

Baptized in the Holy Spirit Series
Section B: Following the Biblical Pattern
Chapter 3: Baptized in the Holy Spirit: Five Patterns from Five Examples

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I. Context - Five First Steps Into the Kingdom of God / Christ

1. Receiving Jesus Christ – John 1:12-13
2. Water Baptism – Matthew 28:18-20
3. Baptized in the Holy Spirit – Acts 1:8 (7 Passages in N.T. use “Baptized in the Holy Spirit”)
4. Deliverance & Healing – Addictions, Demons - Luke 10:18-20; Matthew 15:21-28; Acts 19:11-20
5. Entering a New Testament Community Lifestyle – Acts 2:37-47

Note: Step 1 Must Happen First – Steps 2 to 5 may happen in any subsequent order. (See 5 Biblical Examples)

II. Baptized in the Holy Spirit - Five Biblical Patterns (From 5 N.T. Examples in Section II Below)

1. A Distinct and Separate Experience from the New Birth
2. The Outward Initial Evidence of an Inner Reality – Speaking in Tongues
3. Normally Followed Shortly After Conversion – Moments to Few Days
4. Spiritual Impartation / Atmosphere –

Each occurrence was accompanied either by anointed persons laying hands on the recipients or in an atmosphere of prayer and / or proclamation where faith was rising due to Holy Spirit’s manifest presence.

5. Additional Biblical Manifestations / Experiences / Results / Fruits Followed –

Important: Although Speaking in Tongues was the Initial Outward Evidence Accepted by the Apostles, Other Clearly Biblical Fruits of the Holy Spirit always followed. These Included:

- a. Testing / Brokenness / Repeated Fillings – See Example of Our Lord (Matt. 3-4 & Luke 3-4)
- b. Boldness for Witnessing / Proclamation / Attesting Miracles
- c. Increased Zeal & Passion for God. Anointing. (Romans 5:5)
- d. Fruit, Gifts, Manifest Presence, Personal and Corporate Holiness; Sacrifices, Etc.

III. Baptized in the Holy Spirit - Five Biblical Examples – Demonstrates 5 Patterns Above (From Acts)

Prelude: Acts 1:3-9, 14 & Luke 24:44-53

1. Example 1: Acts 2:1-21, 37-41 (Pentecost – Contains 2 Examples in One Chapter)

- a. (Point 1) Recipients were the 120 obedient / faithful followers of Christ.
- b. (Point 2) They all Spoke in Tongues as the Spirit gave each Ability to Speak. (vs. 4)
Only example of tongues of fire or mighty wind in Scripture – Not a Pattern
- c. (Point 3) Compare 1:3, 5 with 2:1 (Forty Days, Not many days, Pentecost)
- d. (Point 4) 1:14, 2:1 (Matthew 18:20)
- e. (Point 5) Accusations 2:13 leads to Peter’s Proclamation 2:14ff.

See Also Acts 2:37-47 (Point 5a, b, c, d) / See Also Acts 4:23-33 (Point 5a, b, c, d)

2. Example 2: Acts 8:4-18 (Phillip Proclaims Christ to the Samaritans)

- a. (Point 1) vs. 14-18; Follows vs. 12
- b. (Point 2) vs. 18; “Simon saw...” (Not able to discern spiritually)
- c. (Point 3) vs. 14-18; Follows vs. 12; the Distance from Samaria to Jerusalem.
- d. (Point 4) vs. 15, 17-18; Apostles prayed w/ laying on of hands; “Spirit was bestowed”
“...they began laying their hands on them, and they were receiving the Holy Spirit.”
- e. (Point 5) vs. 25: Apostles proclaimed throughout Samaria. (vs. 26; Phillip taken up to Gaza)

Note: In Examples 3 & 4 the Recipients are Baptized in the Holy Spirit before Water Baptized. (See 5 Steps)

3. Example 3: Acts 9:1-20 (Paul's Calling)
 - a. (Point 1) vss. 3-8; Paul's Calling / Conversion; vss. 17-18 Receives H.S. & Water Baptized.
 - b. (Point 2) Notice text does not say he did or did not. However, 1 Corinthians 14:18
 - c. (Point 3) vs. 9; Three days.
 - d. (Point 4) vs. 17; Ananias laid on hands, Ananias filled w/ Spirit (explain) Paul filled.
 - e. (Point 5) vs. 20: "...and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus ..."
4. Example 4: Acts 10:34-48; 11:12-18 (Cornelius and the Gentiles)
 - a. (Point 1) 10:44; 11:17 "after believing"
 - b. (Point 2) 10:45-46; 11:15 "for" "just as He did upon us at the beginning"
 - c. (Point 3) Combine above two points.
 - d. (Point 4) Angel appears to Cornelius, Peter's Vision, Peter's proclamation,
 - e. (Point 5) Acts 11:19-21ff
5. Example 5: Acts 19:1-6 (Paul at Ephesus)
 - a. (Point 1) vss. 1-3; Paul realizes they are not Christians; Then vs. 6 follows vs. 5
 - b. (Point 2) vs. 6; Speaking with Tongues and Prophecy
 - c. (Point 3) vss. 5-6; Same day (Most likely same hour)
 - d. (Point 4) vs. 6; Paul laid hands on them... Speaking with Tongues and Prophecy
 - e. (Point 5) vss. 7-11; speaking boldly, all in Asia heard, extraordinary miracles.

IV. Next: Chapter 3 - Imparting & Receiving the Baptism in the Holy Spirit



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(Below are Excerpts from Core Values of Grace Christian Fellowship)

5.) The Holy Spirit Empowers Us to Live a Life of Worship, Discipleship, Fruitfulness and Obedience

Our lives are to be filled by the power of the Holy Spirit who is dynamically moving in the world today. God indwells us by the Holy Spirit. The Spirit applies God's Word to our hearts in transforming power. The fruit of a Spirit-filled life is Christ-likeness. **The charismatic gifts of the Spirit equip us for service and worship. We embrace the manifest presence of the Holy Spirit to enable us to glorify Christ and exalt God the Father. The ministry of Jesus is ongoing & unchanged in the church through the power of the Holy Spirit.** (John 15:26-27; 16:7-15) (1 Cor. 12:3) (Acts 1:8) (Mark 16:15-20)

6.) A Life Characterized by Worship and Prayer (Philippians 3:1-3) (Colossians 4:2-6) (John 4:23-24)

We seek to be a community characterized by adoring and pleasing God in worship as well as birthing His redemptive purposes through prayer and fasting. (Acts 2:42) (1 Thessalonians 5:17) (Romans.12:12)

7.) Community is an Essential Biblical Value - Ministry is Every Member's Calling - Reproduction / Fruitbearing

We are called to live in committed, gracious and sincere relationships as brothers and sisters in Christ. Rejecting the practices of our individualistic culture which breed isolation and alienation, we seek to build one another up in Christ, to pursue Godly relationships, and to serve God together as a team with our time, energy, gifts and resources. We believe that every member is called to service in the life and ministry of the church fellowship. This is expressed in worship, pastoral care, ministry to children, administration, and ministry to the surrounding world in mercy and witness. Church leaders are called to equip the members for service. The maturity and health of a church community can be gauged by the distribution of service and ministry among the members. We seek to build a model Community that can be reproduced.

9.) Personal Mentoring Care / Discipleship is for All Leaders and Members (1 Peter 5:1-9) (2 Timothy 2:2)

We are committed to the care and support of church leaders and to a system of mentoring for every church member. We promote a leadership-style that equips, encourages, challenges, trains, recognizes, releases and utilizes the multifaceted giftedness in the church. Pastoral care may vary in form and intensity from small groups for growth, care, and service to personalized care for everyone and leadership training. This care should be characterized by friendship, good personal relationships, mutual respect, openness, and humility both in giving of this care and in receiving. It should also promote Christ-like character, healthy family life, wise Biblical decision-making, and a fruitful life of service in Christ Kingdom.