

## Element 70: Pattern of 5 First Steps into the Kingdom of Christ / Step 3 (Continued)

106<sup>th</sup> Lesson in the 8 Essential Elements of the Biblical Christian Gospel Series

Baptized in the Holy Spirit Series (2017 Version) – Section C: Imparting or Receiving Holy Spirit Baptism

### Chapter 13A: God's "Promise" for All Followers / Believers

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- I. **Eight Essential Elements: Outline & Overview** (*See Titles & Dates Posted in Most Outlines of This Series*)
- II. **Recently Element 7: Pattern of 5 First Steps into Kingdom: Focus on Steps 3, 4 & 5 (3 Parallel Series')**  
**Element 7 – Step 3: Running Conterminously w/ Baptized in the Holy Spirit Series (2017 Version)**
  - A. **Eight Essential Elements of the Biblical Christian Gospel:**
    1. **Element R7A & R7B.** Preview of the Necessity of Rediscovering & Restoring Biblical Patterns
    2. **The Five First Steps into the Kingdom of God / Christ** (One Issue in Biblically Complete Conversions)
      - i. Receiving Jesus Christ Our Lord & Savior: (a) New Birth & (b) Conversion: Repentance & Faith (GCF Podcast: Eight Essential Elements of the Biblical Christian: Element 6A to 6W (24 Weeks)
      - ii. Water Baptism: "Messages on Baptism" / John Weis – "The Everlasting Covenant & Baptism"
      - iii. **Baptized in the Holy Spirit: Currently Recording "Baptized in the Holy Spirit Series" (2017)**
      - iv. Deliverance & Healing(s): Upcoming "Demons & Deliverance Series" / More on Element 7
      - v. Entering & Maintaining a NT Biblical Lifestyle: (a) Vertical Disciplines & (b) Horizontal Community
  - B. **Past 5 Weeks: 8EE Series 7Na to 7Ne (Step 3 Cont.) / BHS Section B: Finding & Following the Pattern**  
**BHS Series Chapter 12A, B, C & D: "The Promise" Fulfilled: 5 Biblical Patterns from 5 Biblical Examples**  
**(BHS 12A) Example 1: Pentecost: "The Promise" Arrives in Power (Acts 2:1-21; 36-47)**  
**(BHS 12B) Example 2: Phillip in Samaria: "The Promise" Fulfilled in Samaria (Acts 8:1-24)**  
**(BHS 12C) Example 3: Saul on the Road to Damascus "The Promise" Commissions Paul (Acts 9:1-31)**  
**(BHS 12D) Example 4: Peter's Eyes Opened to OT as "The Promise" Comes to Cornelius & the Gentiles**  
**(BHS 12E) Example 5: Paul Brings "The Promise" to the Jews & Gentiles in Ephesus**
- III. **Today: 8 Essential Elements of the Gospel Series: Element 70: (Step 3 Continued) aka**  
**Baptized in the Holy Spirit Series / Section C: Imparting or Receiving Holy Spirit Baptism**  
**BHS Series Chapter 13 (Continued): God's "Promise" for Every Follower / Believer**  
**Prelude: Ascension Thursday: Jesus Commands Disciples to Wait in Jerusalem to Be Clothed w/ Power from Receiving "The Promise of the Father" (aka "Baptized in the Holy Spirit")**  
**(Luke 24:49)** <sup>49</sup> And behold, I am sending forth the promise of My Father upon you; but you are to stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."  
**(Acts 1:4-5, 8)** <sup>4</sup> Gathering them together, He commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the promise of the Father, "Which," He said, "you heard of from Me; <sup>5</sup> for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."... <sup>8</sup> but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth." (**Receiving "the Promise of the Father" is to be "Baptized with the Holy Spirit."**)
- IV. **The Biblical Meaning of: God's "Promise" for Every Follower (Believer) / (Breaking it Down Into 3 Parts)**
  1. **(Part 1) Who Are the Followers (Believer's) / What are Their Merits, Qualifications or Credentials?**  
**(John 6:44)** No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day.  
**(John 15:16a)** You did not choose Me but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and *that* your fruit would remain, ...  
**(Romans 3:9-12)** <sup>9</sup> What then? Are we better than they? Not at all; for we have already charged that both Jews and Greeks are all under sin; <sup>10</sup> as it is written, "THERE IS NONE RIGHTEOUS, NOT EVEN ONE; <sup>11</sup> THERE IS NONE WHO UNDERSTANDS, THERE IS NONE WHO SEEKS FOR GOD; <sup>12</sup> ALL HAVE TURNED ASIDE, TOGETHER THEY HAVE BECOME USELESS; THERE IS NONE WHO DOES GOOD, THERE IS NOT EVEN ONE." (Cf. Psalms 14 & 53)

**(2 Corinthians 4:6-7)** <sup>6</sup> For God, who said, “Light shall shine out of darkness,” is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the Light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. <sup>7</sup> But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, so that the surpassing greatness of the power will be of God and not from ourselves;

**(Romans 3:21-28)** But now apart from the Law the righteousness of God has been manifested, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, <sup>22</sup> even the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all those who believe; for there is no distinction; <sup>23</sup> for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup> being justified as a **gift** by His **grace** through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; <sup>25</sup> whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith. This was to demonstrate His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed; <sup>26</sup> for the demonstration, I say, of His righteousness at the present time, so that He would be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. **(Cf. Acts 13:48b)** <sup>27</sup> Where then is boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? Of works? No, but by a law of faith. <sup>28</sup> For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from works of the Law. **(Cf. Hebrews 12:2 “the Author” archēgós)**

## 2. (Part 2) Who is Included in “Every” Believer / Follower? Who is Not Included? Who is Eligible?

**(Acts 2:36-39)** <sup>36</sup> Therefore let all the house of Israel know for certain that God has made Him both Lord and Christ—this Jesus whom you crucified.” <sup>37</sup> Now when they heard *this*, they were pierced to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “Brethren, what shall we do?” <sup>38</sup> Peter *said* to them, “Repent, and each of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup> For the promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off, as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself.” <sup>40</sup> And with many other words he solemnly testified and kept on exhorting them, saying, “Be saved from this perverse generation!”

**(1 Corinthians 1:26-31)** For consider your calling, brethren, that there were not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble; <sup>27</sup> but God has chosen the foolish things of the world to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to shame the things which are strong, <sup>28</sup> and the base things of the world and the despised God has chosen, the things that are not, so that He may nullify the things that are, <sup>29</sup> so that no man may boast before God. <sup>30</sup> But by His doing you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption, <sup>31</sup> so that, just as it is written, “LET HIM WHO BOASTS, BOAST IN THE LORD.” **(Recall 2 Corinthians 4:6-7 from Above) (Read 1 Timothy 1:12-17)**

**(1 Timothy 1:12-17)** <sup>12</sup> I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because He considered me faithful, putting me into service, <sup>13</sup> even though I was formerly a blasphemer and a persecutor and a violent aggressor. Yet I was shown mercy because I acted ignorantly in unbelief; <sup>14</sup> and the grace of our Lord was more than abundant, with the faith and love which are *found* in Christ Jesus. <sup>15</sup> It is a trustworthy statement, deserving full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, among whom I am foremost. <sup>16</sup> Yet for this reason I found mercy, so that in me as the foremost, Jesus Christ might demonstrate His perfect patience as an example for those who would believe in Him for eternal life. <sup>17</sup> Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God (who alone is wise – NKJV), *be* honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

**(Eph. 1: 13-14)** In Him, you also, <sup>(a)</sup> after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation <sup>(b)</sup> having also believed, you were <sup>(c)</sup> sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise, <sup>14</sup> who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, <sup>(d)</sup> with a view to the redemption of God's own possession, <sup>(e)</sup> to the praise of His glory. **(2 Cor. 5:5)**

**(Luke 11: 9-13)** <sup>11</sup> "Now suppose one of you fathers is asked by his son for a fish; he will not give him a snake instead of a fish, will he? <sup>12</sup> "Or if he is asked for an egg, he will not give him a scorpion, will he? <sup>13</sup> "If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?"

## 3. (Part 3) What is “The Promise of the Father?” What Does “the Promise” Include? (Next Week) The Nature and Scope of “The Promise of the Father.” “The Promise” for All God’s People



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