

Element 7Pe: Pattern of 5 First Steps into the Kingdom of Christ / Step 3 (Continued)

123rd 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 14B5: The Second of Five Common Hindrances to Being Baptized in the Holy Spirit More on the Charlie Brown Syndrome

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I. Eight Essential Elements: List of the Eight Elements & Overview (Commenced 5/17/2005)

0. Intro: Proclamation / Pre-Evangelism / Disciples / Pole Fishing / Diagnostic Tools / 7 Missing Elements
1. God: Essential Biblical Attributes: (Non-Communicable & Communicable)
2. Man: Essential Biblical Attributes: (3 Issues / Culpability / Empowerment)
3. The 10 Commandments: (Exodus 20:1-17) & (Deuteronomy 5:1-21)
4. Historical Narrative of Israel & Warning(s) of Eternal Cosmic Judgment: Gospel Presentations in Acts
5. Jesus Christ: Only Mediator: Intro to Christology: Bridge / Solution / Ministry / Atonement / Reign
6. Receiving Jesus Christ: (John 1:12-13) Responding: Key Components & Exchanges of Soteriology
7. The First 5 Steps into the Kingdom of Christ: The Biblical Pattern of Conversion (Exodus 25:8-9, 40)
8. Maturing in Jesus Christ: 3 Tools of Grace - Vital Growth Ingredients / Necessity of Discipleship

II. The Five First Steps into the Kingdom of Christ & Biblically Complete Conversions

Note 1: Understand the Critical Difference Between Today's Average Verses Biblically Normative. (Patterns)

• Majority of "Bible-believing" Western Christians have Experienced only 0 to 2 of these 5, but contemporary average Christian experience is not Normal, Normative or a Model Pattern, but sub-Biblical & sub-Normal.

1. Receiving Jesus Christ – John 1:12-13 (2 Ingredients of Receiving Jesus: Regeneration & Conversion)
2. Water Baptism: (Mark 16:15) (Acts 10:44-48) (Cf. Ephesians 4:4-6 w/ Hebrews 6:1-2) (**GCF Podcast**) (8 Ingredients of All Biblical Covenants: #5 - Ceremonies of Celebration, Enactment, Renewal & Remembrance.)
3. Baptized in the Holy Spirit: 7 Passages in N.T. "Baptized in the Holy Spirit" (1 Corinthians 12:13) (**2 Tim. 3:1-5**) ... ⁵ holding to a form of godliness, although they have denied its power; Avoid such men as these. (**Luke 24:49**) (**Acts 1:3-5, 8**) (See Joel 2:28-32 Quoted by Peter in Acts 2:14-21) (See Ezekiel 36:24-30)
4. Deliverance & Healing(s): Addictions, Demons – (Luke 10:18-20) (Matthew 15:21-28) (Acts 19:11-20)
 - a. Define 2 Aspects of Deliverance (Why Christians Need Deliverance)
 - b. Healings as Plural: (1 Cor. 12:9, 30 " ... gifts of healings ... both words are plural in Greek)
5. Entering a New Testament Lifestyle: (Acts 2:37-47) (Horizontal First & Then Vertical) (John 10:1-10)
 - a. Historical Spiritual Disciplines vs "Quit-Times" & Devotionettes. (Raisinettes / Anemic) (**Is. 50:4**)
 - b. Christian Community: Never settle for "going to church." (War w/out Training & Gear.) (**Is. 51:20**)

III. August 20, 2017: The Five (5) Most Common Categories of Hindrances / Obstacles

IV. Recently: Baptized in the Holy Spirit Series (2017): Section C: Imparting or Receiving Holy Spirit Baptism Chapter 14: Common Hindrances (Obstacles) to Being Baptized in the Holy Spirit (& Filling, Yielding, Etc.)

1. Incomplete Conversions: Contemporary Compromised & Confused Christianity (**Building Materials!**)
Sugar Coated Gospel; Repentance Avoidance; Lordship; Renunciation; New Kingdom
2. Charlie Brown Syndrome: Arising from Performance Based Grace Plus Theologies (See Luke 11: 9-13)
The Spirit of the Pharisees & the Galatians: Shame Based, Self-Focused vs. Christ Focused
3. Occult Involvement: (1 Corinthians 10:20-22) (Acts 19:19) (2 Corinthians 4:2)
4. Bitterness & Unforgiveness: (Matthew 6:12-15) (Matthew 18: 32-35)
5. Spirit of Unbelief: Natural Mindedness / Pseudo-Rational, Anti-Supernatural, Pseudo-Scientific, A Priori Skepticism (1 Corinthians 2:1-16) (2 Corinthians 4:4;) (Hebrews 4:12) (Matthew 13:58) (Hebrews 11:1, 3 & 6) (Mark 9:19-25) (Romans 4:19-21) (2 Corinthians 5:7; 10:3-5)

V. Today: Baptized in the Holy Spirit Series (2017 Version):

Section C: Imparting or Receiving Holy Spirit Baptism (Continued)

Chapter 14: Common Hindrances (Obstacles) to Being Baptized in the Holy Spirit (& Filling, Yielding, Etc.)

Chapter 14B5: More on the Charlie Brown Syndrome (Performance Based Condemnation, Insecurities)

Note 1: Related to Obstacles #1 (Incomplete, Confused, Partial or False Conversions) & #5 (Unbelief, Doubt.)

Note 2: Applies to Both Getting Baptized in the Holy Spirit & Walking in or Living by the Power of Holy Spirit.

A. Some Pertinent Scriptures: (Also See Separate Handout of Scriptures)

(Ephesians 1:3-8a) ³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ,⁴ just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love ⁵ He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will, ⁶ to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed (χαριτόω / charitōō) on us in the Beloved. ⁷ In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace ⁸ which He lavished on us. (NASB)

(Luke 3:22) ... ²² and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." (Quoted from **Isaiah 42:1** & Psalm 2:7)

(Galatians 4:6) And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of His Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!"

(Romans 8:9-10; 14-17) ⁹ However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him. ¹⁰ If Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, yet the spirit is alive because of righteousness. ¹⁴ For all who are being led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. ¹⁵ For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!" ¹⁶ The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him so that we may also be glorified with Him. (NASB)

B. My Testimony of Being Baptized in the Holy Spirit: Wednesday, July 17, 1974 – Room 222 Anderson Hall
(Luke 11:11-13) ¹¹ What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent; ¹² or if he asks for an egg, will give him a scorpion? ¹³ If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!" (ESV) (See NKJV)

C. The "Facts, Faith, Feelings" Train (See: <https://www.desiringgod.org/articles/fact-faith-feeling.>)

Note 3: Receiving Jesus is a Decision Followed by Faith-Filled Feelings (Affections)

"But let us also make clear that the locomotive of fact is not headed for heaven if it is not followed by a faith that treasures Christ, and if it is not pulling a caboose-load of imperfect, but new, affections." (Piper's Article)

D. Overcoming Condemnation: Shame, False Guilt, Overly Introspective Paralysis **(Romans 8:1-2)**

E. Overcoming Insecurities / Lack of Confidence & Rejection: (1 Corinthians 10:13)

1. Exercise (Experience) Trust: Grows in Reliance Upon Christ by Repeatedly Overcoming More Resistance
2. Embrace the Purpose of Testing: (aka Trials, Temptations & Battles) **(Romans 5:1-5) (1 Pet. 1:6-9, 13-15)**
3. Faith Starts w/ Thanksgiving Aloud! Trust is Rooted in God. (Proverbs 3:5-6) (Psalm 100) (1 Tim. 2:1)

(James 1:2-3, 12) ² Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, ³ knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. ⁴ And let endurance have its perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing. ¹² Blessed is a man who perseveres under trial; for once he has been approved, he will receive the crown of life which the Lord has promised to those who love Him. (NASB)

(1 Peter 4:12-13ff) ¹² Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal among you, when it comes upon you for your testing, as though something strange were happening to you; ¹³ but to the degree that you share the sufferings of Christ, keep on rejoicing, so that also at the revelation of His glory you may rejoice with exultation.

VI. Next Message: Obstacle # 3: Occult Involvement: (1 Corinthians 10:20-22) (Acts 19:19) (2 Corinthians 4:2)



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