

5. **God does not usually drop the Holy Spirit on a person**, the believer has to **ask**. Luke 11:9-13.

6. **God will not allow a seeker to receive a fake infilling or a fake gift...NO fakey, NO flakey!**

7. **God has a ministry for all believers. Read 2 Cor. 5:18.** Are we all called as ministers of reconciliation? _____

Read Matt. 28:18-20; Act 1:8, 2:36-41. Are we all a part of the "Great Commission?" _____

Read Luke 4:18 aloud. Why does God want the Spirit of the Lord upon each believer? _____

"The Anointing of the Holy Spirit sanctifies us and makes us holy, setting us apart for the purposes of God. A sweet fragrance will begin to rise from us, and others will be drawn to that sweetness." – Dr. Fuchsia Pickett.

Devotional Private Prayer Language

The most important thing is Jesus, not the gifts, not tongues. **The private prayer language:**

Edifies/builds up (Jude 1:20). Every perfect gift is from above (James 1:17).

Builds faith (Jude 1:20). [Research says it also revs up our immune system 38%.]

Empowers, energizes, emboldens, and strengthens the inner man (Eph3:16).

Allows the Spirit to give the perfect prayer; the Spirit prays and bypasses the mind or intellect (Rom. 8:26).

A new language—a private language—made up of words from heavenly languages and sometimes earthly languages not learned or studied.

Helps a person make melody /spiritual songs to the Lord (Eph. 5:17-21).

Helps maintain the anointing from the Holy One (1 John 2:20).

Helps Christians stay holy by His power in us (1 Peter 1:13-16).

Prep: Repent, confess, renounce, forgive

Notes on Prayer Language: Use tongue and open mouth/ Allow air to flow over voice box. Repeat the sounds you hear coming up from your spirit-man. May sound dumb like "**Yab-a-dab-a-do.**" May sound like syllables, like a child trying to sound out a word: **sal-va-tion**. Do not talk in English. Energy will come from praying in a prayer language, so pray early in day while doing chores, while driving, while worshiping.

Prayer Procedure: If ready to receive, stand in prayer circle. If want to observe, be seated.

Spirit Baptism Prayer—anoint with oil.

Anoint the believer's **ears** to hear what the Spirit is saying to the church in this hour. Anoint **their hands** to do what the Lord has called them do and anoint their **feet to go** where the Lord would have them go.

Invite: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. **Luke 3:16:** Jesus, come and baptize your son/daughter, lay your hands upon them, and fill them with the **Spirit of the Living God. Luke 11:9-13:** each person needs to ask Jesus for the Baptism in the Holy Spirit. **Mark 11: 24:** they receive by faith, just like salvation. **Acts 2:4:** all will be filled with the Spirit and speak as hands are laid on them. Some will receive after they get back home.

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3-Spirit Baptism

(The 3rd Class on the Ministry and Work of Holy Spirit)

"...the baptism with the Holy Spirit is the birthright of every believer." – R. A. Torrey

After salvation, the **baptism / infilling / sanctification** in the Holy Spirit is the most important event in a Christian's life and the starting point of an expanded Christian ministry. "The day I made **Jesus my Lord and Master, not just my Savior.**" "To be a son of God is to be filled with the Holy Spirit and led by the Holy Spirit" (Rom. 8).

You have had the Holy Spirit residing in you since salvation day, **but does He really have you?** Spirit baptism is when **He gets all of you!**

"He who believes in Me, as the Scripture said, from his innermost being shall flow rivers of living water" (John 7:38 NASB).

"I {John the Baptist} indeed baptize you with water unto repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire" (Matthew 3:11 NKJV).

"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" (Luke 24:49 NASB). "For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call" (Acts 2:39 NKJV).

“And being assembled together with them, He **commanded** them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father ‘which,’ He said, ‘you have heard from Me; for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be **baptized with the Holy Spirit** not many days from now” (Acts 1:4-5 NKJV.)

“...but **you shall receive power** when the Holy Spirit has come upon you....” (Acts 1:8 NASB). “And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; (Mark 16:17).

The enemy has been very effective in stirring up controversy over the work of the Holy Spirit and the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Why? Because that is what gives us power! “Satan has opposed the doctrine of the Spirit-filled life about as bitterly as any other doctrine there is” wrote A. W. Tozer.

Thoughts on “Spirit Empowering” from some great pastors and thinkers:

“...**The one thing needful** for the Church, and the thing which, above all others, men ought everywhere to seek for with one accord and with their whole heart, is **to be filled with the Spirit of God**” (Andrew Murray).

“**If any believer** in any age does not have the baptism with the Holy Spirit, it is solely because he does not claim his privilege in Christ” (R. A. Torrey).

Personal Preparation to Receive the Baptism/Infilling/Sanctification in the Holy Spirit or Making Jesus Lord and Master, not Just Savior

1. **First, be born-again/saved/converted.** Each Christian received the Holy Spirit on the day of salvation prayer.
2. **Second, repent of or confess sins, as much as possible, as the Lord reveals.**
3. **Forgive all who have caused hurt or woundedness, forgive self, and forgive the Lord for any perceived injustices.**
4. **Renounce aloud all non-Christian experiences and ungodly organizations (KKK, Freemasonry, pornography, etc.)**
5. **Renounce aloud all occults: witchcraft, wicca, and cults/ false religions).**
6. **Break curses off your family line and wash your family line in the blood of Jesus.** (There will be nothing to block future blessings or the prayer language.)

Holy Spirit Baptism:

1. **Jesus is the baptizer** in the Holy Spirit. (See Luke 3:16; Matt. 3:11; Mark 1:8; John 1:33.)
2. **Jesus commanded seekers to wait for the power before ministering** (Acts 1:1-8).
3. **Accepting the Spirit Baptism is a momentous occasion. Remember:** 120 people in Upper Rm? There was a noise like a mighty wind that filled the place, they saw tongues of fire on each person, and all were filled with the Holy Spirit and received a new language (Acts 2: 1-8).

4. After the Spirit Baptism, gifts will start to manifest as a person begins to minister:

What gifts are possible with the Baptism in the Holy Spirit? Read 1 Cor. 12:1-11 and fill in:

v. 8 - What are the gifts? Word of _____ and Word of _____

v. 9 - What are the gifts? _____ and _____

v. 10 - What are the gifts? _____, _____, _____

v. 11 - Who is the decider of which gifts people are given? _____

What does “just as He wills” really mean? _____

It is okay to desire the gifts. “Pursue love, and desire **spiritual gifts**, but especially that you _____ (1 Cor. 14:1 NKJV)

Do not fear: if a person wants the Spirit Baptism but is timid about the gift of tongues or prayer language or the gift of discernment, do not worry. God knows what you need. Let Him decide what gifts will be manifested and when. A prayer language or tongues is the initial evidence of the Spirit Baptism, but there are many more evidences. God will use for good anything that is yielded to Him. Remember it is a process and a wonderful journey in the service of our Lord. Enjoy the new intimacy and the exciting journey.