

► He equips the church with gifts to do
Kingdom ministry
(He helps us fulfill His purposes for His church)

- Administration
- Apostleship (church planting)
- Craftsmanship
- Creative Communication
- Discernment
- Encouragement
- Evangelism
- Faith
- Giving
- Healing
- Helps
- Hospitality
- Intercession
- Interpretation
- Knowledge
- Leadership
- Mercy
- Miracles
- Prophecy
- Shepherding
- Teaching
- Tongues
- Wisdom

The question is not how much you have
of the Holy Spirit... but rather how much
He has of you!

the work of the holy spirit

"On one occasion, while He was eating with them, He gave them this command: 'Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift My Father promised, which you have heard Me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' So when they met together, they asked Him, 'Lord, are You at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' He said to them: 'It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by His own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.'"

(Acts 1:4-8 p. 770)

Five values to remember...

- Commit to Biblical authority and balance
- We need the life of the Holy Spirit in our life
- The Holy Spirit actively worked in both the Old Testament and the New Testament
- The Holy Spirit is God
- Do not confuse "emotion" as a "move" of the Spirit

God is working by His Spirit today, around the world, and in His church...

1. The Holy Spirit guides in truth

▶ In the world...

“When He comes, He will convict the world of guilt in regard to sin and righteousness and judgment...”
(John 16:8, p. 765)

▶ In the church...

“But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all truth. He will bring glory to Me by taking from what is Mine and making it known to you. The Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.”
(John 16: 13-14; 14:26, p. 764)

“When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from Heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.”
(Acts 2:1-4, p.771)

: The Baptism in the Holy Spirit is an immersion into a relationship with a Divine Person (the Holy Spirit), and the Baptizer is Jesus. This Baptism is important for becoming an effective witness for Christ. Simply come to Jesus asking, and by faith receive the Father’s gift for you.

2. The Holy Spirit helps the church

▶ He matures believers

(He helps us become fully-devoted followers of Christ)

“Those who live according to the sinful nature have their minds set on what that nature desires; but those who live in accordance with the Spirit have their minds set on what the Spirit desires. The mind of sinful man is death, but the mind controlled by the Spirit is life and peace. You, however, are controlled not by the sinful nature but by the Spirit, if the Spirit of God lives in you.”
(Romans 8:5-6,9; p. 800)

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.”
(Galatians 5:22-23, p. 826)

▶ **When you are baptized in the Holy Spirit, the Biblical pattern indicates that you will speak in tongues** (see: Acts 2:4, 10:44-47, 19:1-6).

“Tongues” serve four purposes:

- As an evidence of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit (see: Acts 2:4, 10:44-47, 19:1-6)
- As a beautiful way for God’s Holy Spirit to pray through us (“For anyone who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God. Indeed, no one understands him; he utters mysteries with his spirit.” I Corinthians 14:2)
- As a source of personal edification - “built up” (see: Acts 14:4, 18; 12:10).
- As a source of encouragement for gatherings of believers... when an utterance in tongues is interpreted, every believer present is edified (I Corinthians 14).

▶ He empowers believers for evangelism

(He helps us share our faith with people far from God)

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(Acts 1:5, 8, p.770)