

Lessons Learned in the
School of the Spirit
Session 2

Review of Session 1

- The Holy Spirit was given when Jesus breathed on the disciples
John 20:22
- They were baptized in the Spirit on the Day of Pentecost
- Acts 2:4

The Holy Spirit Today

- The Holy Spirit comes into a believer when he/she is born again
- A second work of grace takes place when the believer is filled with the Holy Spirit
- Acts 19:1-7

How do we receive the Holy Spirit

- We ask for the Holy Spirit to be given

Luke 11:9-13

- The laying on of hands by the elders
- God distributes the gifts

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Do I have to speak in tongues to be filled with the Spirit?

- The gift of tongues is one of many gifts that provide evidence that the believer is filled with the Spirit
- Tongues are usually mentioned when the Holy Spirit comes upon believers
- Speaking in tongues is neither required nor forbidden

Why speak in tongues?

- Speaking in tongues edifies the believer
- Praying in the Spirit is the most powerful prayer

Lessons Learned

- First be sure your heart is right toward God and then everything else will be put right
- God cares about my kids more than I do and he knows when they are in trouble even when I don't

Lessons Learned

- The power of intercession saved my grandparents when they were too old to hear or understand
- The power of intercession has avoided traffic fatalities more than once

The Word of knowledge helped
found this church

- Clay's calling made sure
- Nancy's calling made sure

Spiritual gifts as needed

- The gift of faith saves a leg
- The word of knowledge saves a soul
- The gift of healing comes when needed

Transported in the Spirit

- The impossible drive made possible

1 Corinthians 14

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Prophecy and Tongues

14 Pursue love, and desire spiritual *gifts*, but especially that you may prophesy. **2** For he who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God, for no one understands *him*; however, in the spirit he speaks mysteries. **3** But he who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men. **4** He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself, but he who prophesies edifies the church. **5** I wish you all spoke with tongues, but even more that you prophesied; for[a] he who prophesies *is* greater than he who speaks with tongues, unless indeed he interprets, that the church may receive edification.

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Tongues Must Be Interpreted

6 But now, brethren, if I come to you speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you unless I speak to you either by revelation, by knowledge, by prophesying, or by teaching? **7** Even things without life, whether flute or harp, when they make a sound, unless they make a distinction in the sounds, how will it be known what is piped or played? **8** For if the trumpet makes an uncertain sound, who will prepare for battle? **9** So likewise you, unless you utter by the tongue words easy to understand, how will it be known what is spoken? For you will be speaking into the air. **10** There are, it may be, so many kinds of languages in the world, and none of them *is* without significance. **11** Therefore, if I do not know the meaning of the language, I shall be a foreigner to him who speaks, and he who speaks *will be* a foreigner to me. **12** Even so you, since you are zealous for spiritual *gifts, let it be* for the edification of the church *that* you seek to excel.

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13 Therefore let him who speaks in a tongue pray that he may interpret. **14** For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays, but my understanding is unfruitful. **15** What is *the conclusion* then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will also pray with the understanding. I will sing with the spirit, and I will also sing with the understanding. **16** Otherwise, if you bless with the spirit, how will he who occupies the place of the uninformed say “Amen” at your giving of thanks, since he does not understand what you say? **17** For you indeed give thanks well, but the other is not edified. **18** I thank my God I speak with tongues more than you all; **19** yet in the church I would rather speak five words with my understanding, that I may teach others also, than ten thousand words in a tongue.

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Tongues a Sign to Unbelievers

20 Brethren, do not be children in understanding; however, in malice be babes, but in understanding be mature.

21 In the law it is written:

“With *men of other tongues and other lips*

I will speak to this people;

And yet, for all that, they will not hear Me,”[b]

says the Lord.

22 Therefore tongues are for a sign, not to those who believe but to unbelievers;

but prophesying is not for unbelievers but for those who believe. **23** Therefore if

the whole church comes together in one place, and all speak with tongues, and

there come in *those who are* uninformed or unbelievers, will they not say that you

are out of your mind? **24** But if all prophesy, and an unbeliever or an uninformed

person comes in, he is convinced by all, he is convicted by all. **25** And thus[c] the

secrets of his heart are revealed; and so, falling down on *his* face, he will worship

God and report that God is truly among you.

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Order in Church Meetings

26 How is it then, brethren? Whenever you come together, each of you has a psalm, has a teaching, has a tongue, has a revelation, has an interpretation. Let all things be done for edification. **27** If anyone speaks in a tongue, *let there be* two or at the most three, *each* in turn, and let one interpret. **28** But if there is no interpreter, let him keep silent in church, and let him speak to himself and to God. **29** Let two or three prophets speak, and let the others judge. **30** But if *anything* is revealed to another who sits by, let the first keep silent. **31** For you can all prophesy one by one, that all may learn and all may be encouraged. **32** And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets. **33** For God is not *the author* of confusion but of peace, as in all the churches of the saints.

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34 Let your women keep silent in the churches, for they are not permitted to speak; but *they are* to be submissive, as the law also says. **35** And if they want to learn something, let them ask their own husbands at home; for it is shameful for women to speak in church. **36** Or did the word of God come *originally* from you? Or *was it* you only that it reached? **37** If anyone thinks himself to be a prophet or spiritual, let him acknowledge that the things which I write to you are the commandments of the Lord. **38** But if anyone is ignorant, let him be ignorant.

39 Therefore, brethren, desire earnestly to prophesy, and do not forbid to speak with tongues. **40** Let all things be done decently and in order.