

## Person and Work of the Holy Spirit

Week 7

### Chapter 10

#### XI. The Baptism In The Holy Spirit—Its Nature And Importance

- A. The Coming of the Holy Spirit
  - 1. The coming of the Spirit of Christ
    - a. Comes at conversion
    - b. Imparts the Christ-life
    - c. Reveals Christ
    - d. Makes Him real
  - 2. The coming of the Holy Spirit at the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.
    - a. Comes in His (the Holy Spirit's) own Name and right
    - b. In His own Person comes upon and fills the waiting believer
- B. The Coming of Power from on High
  - 1. **Acts 1:4-5 (NLT2)**
    - <sup>4</sup>Once when he was eating with them, he commanded them, "Do not leave Jerusalem until the Father sends you the gift he promised, as I told you before.*
    - <sup>5</sup>John baptized with water, but in just a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."*
  - 2. He commanded them to not leave until they received the Gift He promised.
  - 3. The power He imparted was to be the power to witness.

### Chapter 13

#### XI. The Baptism In The Holy Spirit—How to Receive It

- A. We must first be saved.
  - 1. The requisite for receiving the Baptism in the Spirit is that of being right with God.
  - 2. **John 14:16-17 (NLT2)**

<sup>16</sup>*And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, who will never leave you.*

<sup>17</sup>*He is the Holy Spirit, who leads into all truth. The world cannot receive him, because it isn't looking for him and doesn't recognize him. But you know him, because he lives with you now and later will be in you.*

B. We must obey.

1. **Acts 5:32 (NLT2)**

*We are witnesses of these things and so is the Holy Spirit, who is given by God to those who obey him.”*

C. We must ask.

1. **Luke 11:13 (NLT2)**

*So if you sinful people 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.”*

2. **James 4:2 (NLT2)**

*You want what you don't have, so you scheme and kill to get it. You are jealous of what others have, but you can't get it, so you fight and wage war to take it away from them. Yet you don't have what you want because you don't ask God for it.*

D. We must believe.

1. **Galatians 3:14 (NLT2)**

*Through Christ Jesus, God has blessed the Gentiles with the same blessing he promised to Abraham, so that we who are believers might receive the promised Holy Spirit through faith.*

2. **John 7:39 (NLT2)**

*(When he said “living water,” he was speaking of the Spirit, who would be given to everyone believing in him. But the Spirit had not yet been*

*given, because Jesus had not yet entered into his glory.)*

## Chapter

### XI. The Sign Gifts of the Spirit

#### A. Charisma

1. The word charisma is a Greek word which means “spiritual gift”—not natural or carnal or “soulical”—freely given to believers by God.
2. It denotes an extraordinary ability that is bestowed upon a human being by the infinite strength and power of the Third Person of the Trinity, Who is called the Holy Spirit.
3. This spiritual gift is bestowed as a special service to the Body of Christ.
4. These charisma gifts of the Spirit are the weapons of our warfare—the artillery believers need to destroy the works and the powers of the Devil.
  - a. We must learn of their existence.
  - b. We must learn how to avail ourselves of them.
  - c. We learn about their proper usage.
5. These charisma gifts are not designed to make you “different” from or “better” than other people; they are given to equip you for God’s service.
6. If you desire the gifts of the Spirit to function in your life, you must be a person of action.

#### B. Two Foundation Stones

1. There are two foundation stones on which the gifts of the Spirit are laid.
  - a. Unity
  - b. Love
2. Unity
  - a. There must be unity in the Body of Christ.
  - b. On the Day of Pentecost, the people were all together in one place and in one accord. **Acts 2:1 (NKJV)**

*When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.*

- c. The body is made up of multiple parts working together in unity to form a single body. 1

**Corinthians 12:12 (NKJV)**

*For as the body is one and has many members, but all the members of that one body, being many, are one body, so also is Christ.*

3. Love

- a. While God's purpose is to sweep the world with His power, the key that unlocks the door to all that God has for us today is love.

- b. **1 Corinthians 13:1-3 (NLT2)**

*<sup>1</sup>If I could speak all the languages of earth and of angels, but didn't love others, I would only be a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal.*

*<sup>2</sup>If I had the gift of prophecy, and if I understood all of God's secret plans and possessed all knowledge, and if I had such faith that I could move mountains, but didn't love others, I would be nothing.*

*<sup>3</sup>If I gave everything I have to the poor and even sacrificed my body, I could boast about it; but if I didn't love others, I would have gained nothing.*

- c. Paul is saying here that without love, you cannot produce the gifts of the Spirit. You cannot produce them in an atmosphere of selfishness and jealousy; they just will not function.

- d. **1 Corinthians 13:13 (NLT2)**

*Three things will last forever—faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love.*

C. Weapons of Our Warfare

- 1. The power of God is invincible, and the gifts of the Spirit have been given to the church as the weapons of our warfare.

2. Jesus said in **John 14:12 (NLT2)**  
*“I tell you the truth, anyone who believes in me will do the same works I have done, and even greater works, because I am going to be with the Father.*
3. **Zechariah 4:6 (NLT2)**  
*Then he said to me, “This is what the LORD says to Zerubbabel: It is not by force nor by strength, but by my Spirit, says the LORD of Heaven’s Armies.*
4. **2 Corinthians 10:4 (NKJV)**  
*For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds,*

## **XII. God’s Gifts To The Church**

### **A. Categories of Gifts**

1. Power Gifts—Gifts which *do* something
  - a. God imparts His own divine powers and abilities to man.
  - b. The gifts of power involve a supernatural ability and energy which man does not naturally possess.
  - c. Elements
    - i. The Gift of Faith
      - 1.) God’s sovereign impartation of faith for man to believe on a level above the measure of faith that every person is given.
      - 2.) The “gift of special faith.”
      - 3.) A supernatural endowment of belief and confidence for a specific situation.
      - 4.) This gift opens the door to God’s miraculous provision, deliverance, protection, etc.—to believe beyond belief.
      - 5.) God works on our behalf, but

independent of us.

6.) God does the work *for* us, not *through* us.

7.) Scriptural examples

a.) Jesus crossing the Sea of Galilee in a fishing boat when a huge storm threatened to capsize the vessel. (**Mark 4**)

b.) Ananias when he was sent to visit and pray for a man named Saul (Paul). (**Acts 9**)

c.) The raising of Eutychus back to life by the Holy Spirit through Paul (**Acts 14**)

ii. The Gifts of Healing

1.) God working through the instrumentation of man to heal the sick without medical assistance, natural means, or human skill.

2.) Man is simply the conduit through which God's power works.

3.) It is the only gift of the nine that is plural.

4.) It is a limited gift—not anyone has the ability to heal all infirmities.

5.) Two venues of the operation of healing

a.) Laying hands on the sick by believers **Mark 16:17-18**  
(**NLT2**)

*<sup>17</sup>These miraculous signs will accompany those who believe: They will cast out demons in my name, and they will speak in new languages.*

*<sup>18</sup>They will be able to handle snakes with safety, and if they drink anything poisonous, it won't hurt them. They will be able to place their hands on the sick, and they will be healed."*

- b.) Anointing with oil by the elders  
**James 5:14-15 (NLT2)**

*<sup>14</sup>Are any of you sick? You should call for the elders of the church to come and pray over you, anointing you with oil in the name of the Lord.*

*<sup>15</sup>Such a prayer offered in faith will heal the sick, and the Lord will make you well. And if you have committed any sins, you will be forgiven.*

- 6.) Scriptural examples

- a.) Jesus operated in this gift quite frequently.

- i.) **Matthew 4:23 (NLT2)**

*Jesus traveled throughout the region of Galilee, teaching in the synagogues and announcing the Good News about the Kingdom. And he healed every kind of disease and illness.*

ii.) **Matthew 8:16 (NLT2)**

*That evening many demon-possessed people were brought to Jesus. He cast out the evil spirits with a simple command, and he healed all the sick.*

b.) Paul shipwrecked on island of Malta—Publius' father-in-law healed. **(Acts 28)**

iii. The Gift of the Working of Miracles

1.) Definition

- a.) Divine intervention that alters circumstances.
- b.) Supernatural intervention in the ordinary course of nature
- c.) Temporary suspension of the accustomed order
- d.) Interruption of the system of nature as we know it operated by the force of the Spirit

2.) A person doing a supernatural act by the divine energy of the Holy Spirit.

3.) Scriptural examples

- a.) Israelites crossing the Red Sea **(Exodus 14)**
- b.) Elijah and the widow with the oil and the meal **(1 Kings 17)**
- c.) Jesus cursing the fig tree **(Mark 11)**
- d.) Jesus feeding the 5,000 **(John 6)**