

The Holy Spirit: Ministry, Gifts, and other Delights

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A. Regeneration (Tit. 3:5; Jn. 1:13; 2 Cor. 5:17)

The action of being eternally and irrevocably united with the Messiah as our heart is changed by the Spirit and faith is born.

B. Indwelling (Jn. 4:10,14; 6:35; 7:38; 14:16-17; 16:7; 1 Jn. 3:24; 4:14-15; Rom. 5:5; 8:9,11; 1 Cor. 2:12; 3:16; 6:19-20; 2 Cor. 5:5; Gal 4:6)

The permanent union of the new believer with God through the personal, eternal, irrevocable presence of the Spirit, who takes up permanent residence in you, His temple.

C. Baptism (1 Cor. 12:13; Eph. 4:5; Acts 1:5; 11:16)

That action of the Spirit which associates and unites us both with God and with His people.

D. Sealing (2 Cor. 1:22; Eph. 1:13; 4:30)

The divine proof that the believer's salvation is permanently secured by God because we permanently belong to Him.

E. Filling (Eph. 5:18)

To yield oneself to control and empowerment by the Spirit for the purposes of holy living and service.

F. Walking (Gal. 5:16-18, 24-25; Rom. 8:4)

To daily depend, moment by moment, step by step, choice by choice on the Spirit for power, guidance and direction to live according to God's standards and not those of the sin nature.

G. Grieving (Eph. 4:30)

Our willful impedance of the Spirit's process of guiding and controlling our lives.

H. Quenching (1 Thess. 5:19)

To consciously resist, suppress, stifle, or otherwise obstruct the ministry of the Spirit to the believer by replacing the Spirit's will with your own.

I. Illumination (Jn. 14:26; 16:12-15; 1 Cor. 2:6-16; 1 Jn. 5:20)

The believer's receipt of supernatural understanding and insight in the interaction of God's word through the guidance, teaching and prompting of the Spirit.

J. Transformation

The process marking the Spirit's inevitable transformation of the believer into the image of the Messiah, beginning with regeneration, and ending in glorification.

1. God will perfect, confirm, strengthen and establish us (1 Thess. 5:23; 1 Pet. 5:10).
2. We shall be like Christ when he returns (1 Jn. 3:2).
3. The Spirit is progressively transforming us into Messiah's image (Rom. 8:29; 2 Cor. 3:18).

K. Fruits (Gal 5:22-23)

Attitudes, choices, and characteristic dispositions in the believer that result from dependence on the Holy Spirit.

X. The Gifts of the Holy Spirit (Rom. 12:6; 1 Cor. 12:1-31)

A. Definition

Divinely given abilities, designed to be the means through which the Messiah ministers to and through His body, the church.

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1. 1 Peter 4:10
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3. Ephesians 4:11-16
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