

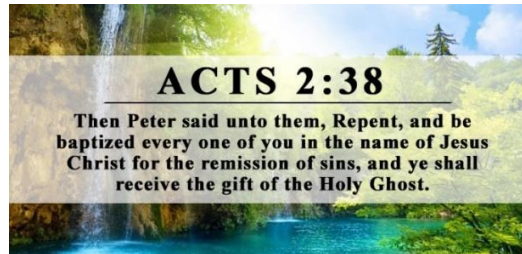
Back to the Father

Your Journey

Beginning Our Relationship

Holy Spirit Baptism

Introduction



Now that we have looked at both repentance and water baptism, let us look at the last part of Peter's response. **Acts 2:38** *"...and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."* WEB

God has always desired a close intimate relationship with mankind. The Bible states the God is spirit. **John 4:24**, *"God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."* Because God is spirit, the best way for us to have a close relationship with Him here on earth is to have a part of who He is.

There is a big difference between the baptism of the Holy Spirit and the act of repentance and water baptism. We see that repentance and water baptism was a command but Holy Spirit baptism is a *gift* from God.

As the church begins on the day of Pentecost, what happens in the upper room when the apostles and the others were praying? **Acts 2:1-4**, *"Now when the day of Pentecost had come, they were all with one accord in one place. Suddenly there came from the sky a sound like the rushing of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. Tongues like fire appeared and were distributed to them, and one sat on each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak with other languages, as the Spirit gave them the ability to speak."* WEB Here we see that as the holy spirit filled them, they spoke in other language.

John 14:26 But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things, and will remind you of all that I said to you.

Eph 1:14 who is a pledge of our inheritance, to the redemption of God's own possession, to the praise of his glory.

Joel 2:38-39 "It will happen afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; and your sons and your daughters will prophesy. Your old men will dream dreams. Your young men will see visions. And also on the servants and on the handmaids in those days, I will pour out my Spirit."

Luke 11:13 If you then, being evil, 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?" WEB