

## **What does this have to do with us?**

“And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, “which,” He said, “you have heard from Me; for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.” Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, “Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” And He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea AND Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” **Acts 1:4-8**

### **The “With”, “In” and “Upon” Ministry of the Spirit**

“**With**” (“Para”, in Greek) means “with, or alongside”

And I will pray the Father, and He shall give you another Helper, that He may be **with** you forever, the Spirit of Truth, whom the world cannot receive because it does not see Him nor know Him. But you know Him, for He dwells **with** you and shall be **in** you. **John 14:16,17**

And when that One comes, He will convict the world concerning sin, and concerning righteousness, and concerning judgment. Concerning sin, because they do not believe on Me; concerning righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

**John 16:8-11**

“**In**” (“En”, in Greek) means “inside” - See above – John 14:17

And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, Receive the Holy Spirit. **John 20:22**

“**Upon**” (“Epi” in Gk) means “over, upon, superimposed upon”

And having met with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to await the promise of the Father, “which you heard from Me. For John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized in the Holy Spirit not many days from now”. Then, indeed, these coming together, they asked Him, saying, “Lord, do You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” And He said to them, “It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father has put in His own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes **upon** you. And you shall be witnesses to Me both in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and to the end of the earth. **Acts 1:4-8**

And when Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly a sound came out of the heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the house where they were sitting. And tongues as of fire appeared to them, being distributed; and it sat **upon** each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance. **Acts 2:1-4**

# The Baptism of the Holy Spirit



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## **Jesus Promises to Send the Holy Spirit**

“But now I go to Him who sent Me, and none of you asks Me, Where do You go? But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your heart. But I tell you the truth, it is better for you that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Comforter will not come to you. But if I depart, I will send Him to you. And when that One comes, He will convict the world concerning sin, righteousness, and judgment. Concerning sin, because they do not believe in Me; concerning righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; concerning judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged. I have yet many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. However, when He, the Spirit of Truth, has come, He will guide you into all truth. For He shall not speak of Himself, but whatever He hears, He shall speak. And He will tell you things to come. He will glorify Me, for He will take of what is Mine and will declare *it* to you. All things that the Father has are Mine. Therefore I said that He will take of Mine and will declare it to you”. Then His disciples said to one another, “What is this that He says to us, A little while and you will not see Me, and again a little and you will see Me? And, because I go to the Father?” Therefore they said, “What is this that He says, A little while? We do not know what He is saying”. **John 16:5-18**

And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Comforter, so that He may be with you forever, the Spirit of Truth, whom the world cannot receive because it does not see Him nor know Him. But you know Him, for He dwells with you and shall be in you. I will not leave you orphans. I will come to you. **John 14:16-18**

## **Jesus emptied Himself in order to be filled: (Philippians 2:5-11)**

“But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels...” **Hebrews 2:9**

“Therefore, in all things He had to be made like His brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest” **Heb 2:17**

## **Old Testament prophecy declared that Jesus would rely on the Holy Spirit:**

“There shall come forth a Rod from the stem of Jesse, and a branch shall grow out of His roots. The Spirit of the Lord shall rest upon Him, the Spirit of wisdom and understanding, the Spirit of counsel and might, the Spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the Lord.” **Isaiah 11:1,2**

## **Luke chronicles the relationship that Jesus had with the Spirit:**

“When all the people were baptized, it came to pass that Jesus also was baptized; and while He prayed, the heaven was opened. And the Holy Spirit descended in bodily form like a dove upon Him, and a voice came from heaven which said, "You are My beloved Son; in You I am well pleased." **Luke 3:21,22**

“Then Jesus, being filled with the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness...” **Luke 4:1**

“But Jesus answered him, saying, "It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.” **Luke 4:4**

“Then Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and news of Him went out through all the surrounding region. And He taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all.” **Luke 4:14-15**

“The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives And recovery of sight to the blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed; to proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD.' Then He closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him. And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." **Luke 4:18-21**

## **Other Scriptures:**

“Therefore, whatever I speak, just as the Father has told Me, so I speak.” **John 12:50**

"Do you not believe that I am in the Father, and the Father in Me? The words that I speak to you I do not speak on My own authority; but the Father who dwells in Me does the works.” **John 14:10**

“How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?” **Hebrews 9:14**

“Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a Man attested by God to you by miracles, wonders, and signs which God did through Him in your midst...” **Acts 2:28**

“How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him.” **Acts 10:38**