

CHRIST BAPTIZES WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT

This will be a study the **seventh** Foundation Doctrine of Holy Spirit taught by Jesus at the Last Supper period (John 13-17).

We will study it in two parts:

- Christ baptizes with the Holy Spirit
- The Holy Spirit baptizes into Christ.

Christ Baptizes with the Holy Spirit

1. **Jesus introduced this doctrine to His disciples during the Last Supper with the special phrase - “When the Helper comes” (John 15:26) and “When He, the Spirit of truth, comes” (John 16:8, 13).**

This (When) phrase was used by Jesus to put a **timeline** from Him to the Advent of the Holy Spirit.

Jesus taught that the Advent of the Holy Spirit was connected with the Ascension-Session of Jesus Christ.

“But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away.

- for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you
- but if I go, I will send Him to you. And **He, when He comes**, will convict the world of sin and righteousness and judgment.” (John 16:7-8)

(John 14:16) “I will ask **the Father**, And He will give you another (allos/ same kind) Helper, that He may be with you forever.”

(John 14:26) “**Whom the Father will send in My name.**”

(John 15:26) “**Whom I will send to you from **the Father**.**”

(Acts 1:4b) “But wait for what the Father has promised, ‘Which,’ He said, ‘you heard from Me.’
“**Not many days from now.**” (Acts 1:5b) (Luke 24:45-49)

2. **As Israel’s national prophet, John the Baptist, prophesied that when Christ came, He would inaugurate the Advent of the Holy Spirit (Matt.3:11-12; Mark 1:7-8; Luke 3:16-18; John 1:25-35).**

(John 1:33b-34) “He upon whom you see the Spirit descending and remaining upon Him, **This is the One who baptizes in the Holy Spirit**. I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Son of God.”

NOTE: Jesus never baptized anyone during His earthly ministry either by water or Spirit (John 4:1-2).

(John 4:2) “Although **Jesus Himself was not baptizing**, but His disciples were.”

NOTE: Remember Jesus taught that He must go away before He could baptize with the Holy Spirit.

(John 16:7-8) ⁷But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you. ⁸And He, when He comes, will convict the world concerning sin and righteousness and judgment.

3. **During His post-resurrection appearances, Jesus taught again on His baptizing with the Holy Spirit. “Not many days from now” (10 days to Pentecost).**

(Acts 1:4-5) “Gathering them together, He commanded them **not to leave Jerusalem**, but to **wait for what the Father had promised**, ‘which,’ He said, ‘you heard from Me.’ For John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

Christ Baptizing with Holy Spirit:

(John 7:38-39) “He who believes in Me, as the **Scripture said**, ‘From his innermost being (John 14:16-17) will flow rivers of living water.’ But this **He spoke of the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were to receive; for the Spirit was not yet given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.**” (John 4:13-14; Isa.12:3-5; 58:11)

4. **Ten days after Jesus was seated at the right hand of God in heaven, He sent the Holy Spirit to baptize believers at Pentecost (Acts 2).**

(Acts 1:15 “At this time Peter stood up in the midst of the brethren (**a gathering of about 120 persons was there together**).” (Acts 2:1)

- **Ascension:** “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into the sky? **This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven**, will come in just the way as you have watched Him go into heaven.” (Acts 1:11) (John 16:7-8)
- **Session:** “Therefore **having been exalted to the right hand of God**, and **having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit**, **He has poured forth (Christ baptizes with Holy Spirit) this which you both see and hear.**” (Acts 2:33) [**Pentecost**]

(Acts 1:8) “**But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you**; and you shall be My witnesses **both in Jerusalem, and all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.**”