

The Baptism of The Holy Spirit

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Water baptism is an ordinance of the Church, established by the Lord Jesus Christ. Baptism is not something an unsaved person does to get saved. It is something a saved person does in obedience to the Lord's command to be baptized. Water baptism pictures the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ and our future resurrection in Him. But it also testifies to others that we want to walk in newness of life with Christ.

RELIGION

THE BIBLE

Emphasis is on the visible	Emphasis is on the spiritual
Emphasis is on sight	Emphasis is on faith
Emphasis is on the building	God's people are the Church
Emphasizes water baptism	Emphasizes Holy Spirit baptism
Emphasis is on icons (crosses, images of Jesus)	Emphasizes Christ in the heart
Emphasizes good works done by man for God	Emphasizes good works done by God for man

Eph 2:1-11 I was dead in trespasses and sins, God quickened me (gave me new life) by His grace and mercy and kindness. Now my life of sin is in the past. My works had nothing to do with my salvation. Now that I'm saved, I want to do good works to show my thankfulness and love for Christ.

Heb 11:1 Faith is the evidence of things not seen. That eliminates baptism and every other kind of works.

John 6:63 We cannot be quickened by the deeds of the flesh. Only the Holy Spirit of God can quicken us.

WHAT IS THE BAPTISM OF THE SPIRIT?

Luke 3:15-16 John the Baptist made a clear distinction between water baptism, Holy Spirit baptism, and baptism with fire. Those who are baptized with the Holy Spirit will be gathered unto the Lord. Those who are baptized with fire are of no use to the Lord and are burned.

1 Cor 12:13 Those who believe on the Lord Jesus Christ are baptized by the Holy Spirit into one body.

1 Cor 12:6-10 All believers have the same Holy Spirit and will manifest some working of the Holy Spirit, but they do not manifest the Spirit in the same way.

Rom 6:1-7 We were baptized into Christ, baptized into His death, and freed from sin so we can walk in newness of life. Now I can live a clean, decent, holy life thanks to the Lord Jesus Christ.

Col 2:8-14 Ever since the Holy Spirit put me in Christ, I have everything I need to live the Christian life. I am complete in Christ. The operation that placed me in Jesus Christ was an operation performed without hands. God performed a spiritual operation, separating me from the sins of my past. I am no longer in bondage to that life of sin.

THE BAPTISM WITH FIRE

- Rev 19:20** The beast, the false prophet, and all those who take the mark of the beast will be immersed in a lake of fire.
- Rev 20:9-15** The devil will also be cast into the lake of fire along with everyone who is not found written in the book of life.
- Rev 21:8** All those who reject God's free gift of eternal life will burn in a literal lake of fire and brimstone forever.
- Eze 20:45-49** Whenever God speaks of a burning literal hell, people tend to excuse the warning by saying it is only a parable. This is nothing new.

The choice is yours: you can be immersed into Jesus Christ and have eternal life. If you don't want that, you have chosen to be immersed in hellfire forever.

Receive Jesus Christ as your Savior today and enjoy the wonderful life that He freely gives.

Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and thou shalt be saved (Acts 16:31).

Neither is there salvation in any other, for there is none other name under heaven, given among men, whereby we must be saved (Acts 4:12).