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Announcements

Later Today

- **1pm – 3:30pm** Missions Tagging, University and Rural Rd., Amen!
- **5pm – 7:30pm** Mother & Son Bowling Night @ AMF Bowling Co., 3825 W Ray Rd 85226. ~\$20 per mother & son

Tomorrow (Sunday)

- **Sunday 9/17 10am** (Tomorrow) Church Service At SDA Rotunda

Later This Month...

- **Wednesday 9/20 7:30pm** Men's Midweek & First Principles Session #9, "The Miraculous Gifts of The Holy Spirit"
- **Saturday 9/30 9am – 2pm** Mercy Blood Drive, Wal-Mart off of Pima Road.

The Cross

Quiz

- (1) Write out **Matthew 28:18-20**
- (2) Why did Jesus say what he said in **Matthew 27:46** as related to **Isaiah 59:1-2**?
- (3) What do you do when you read **Isaiah 53:4-6** in the cross study?
- (4) What should you do *immediately* after this study if possible?
- (5) What books are before and after Philemon?
_____, Philemon, _____

BONUS:

Did you have a guest at Sunday, Bible Talk, or a Singles/Campus/Teen Devotional in the last 7 days?

The Cross

Answer #1

(1) Write out **Matthew 28:18-20**

“Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” (Matthew 28:18-20 NIV84)

The Cross

Answer #2

(2) Why did Jesus say what he said in **Matthew 27:46** as related to **Isaiah 59:1-2**?

- Jesus said “My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?” This is because Jesus took on all our sins at this time and therefore was separated from God. Sin separates us from God. ***“The punishment that brought us peace was upon him.”*** (Isaiah 53:4-6)
- This is why darkness was over the entire land...

The Cross

Answers #3 & #4

(3) What do you do when you read **Isaiah 53:4-6** in the cross study?

- Have them read it and substitute their name.

(4) What should you do immediately after this study if possible?

- Watch either **The Cross** or **The Passion** video.
- (<http://phxicc.org/resources/TheCross.mp4>)

The Cross

Answers #5 & #BONUS

(5) What books are before and after Philemon?

Titus, Philemon, Hebrews

BONUS

Did you have a guest at Sunday, Bible Talk, or a Singles/Campus/Teen Devotional in the last 7 days? (YES!)

Introduction:

Baptism with the Holy Spirit

- Use these studies (Baptism with the Holy Spirit and the Miraculous gifts of the Holy Spirit) 1 out of 3-4 studies.
- Don't be afraid of these studies.
- Remember our goals:
 - Solidify
 - Unify
 - Multiply
- If we are going to be solid, the according to the scriptures, we need to know the teachings around the Holy Spirit (Hebrews 5:11-6:2)

Baptism With The Holy Spirit

John 3:34 (NIV 84)

*"For the one whom God has sent speaks the words of God, for God gives the Spirit **without limit.**"*

- The **Greek** here for "limit" is "metron" which means literally "measure."

John 3:34 (NASB – a more literal translation)

*"For He whom God has sent speaks the words of God; for He gives the Spirit **without measure.**"*

- We are going to break down the word **measure** when related to **manifestations** of the Holy Spirit , into **three "measures"**:
 1. The "Indwelling" of the Holy Spirit
 2. Baptism with the Holy Spirit
 3. The Miraculous Gifts of the Holy Spirit

(1) The “Indwelling” of the Holy Spirit

Acts 2:38

- Everyone that has faith, that repents (turns to God and changes) becomes a disciple and is baptized (immersed) in water - receives the (1) forgiveness of their sins and also (2) they receive gift of the Holy Spirit living in them, or the “indwelling” of the Holy Spirit.
- Bible also makes clear that ***only apostles*** were doing miraculous things at this time (**Acts 2:43, Acts 3:6, Acts 5:12, etc.**) – *the Baptism with the Holy Spirit did not confer the ability on the 120 there to work miracles.*
 - The Apostles had the 3rd measure/manifestation of the Holy Spirit, the “Miraculous Gifts of the Holy Spirit.”
 - They could pass these gifts ***as apostles*** with the laying on of their hands. There were many different kinds of miraculous gifts as well (e.g. Prophecy, Miracles, Healings, Wisdom, etc.) we will study all this in more detail Wednesday evening.

(1) The “Indwelling” of the Holy Spirit

The Greek word "oikeo" means "dwells" - as in "occupy a house."

A couple of scriptures that crystallize this concept of the Holy Spirit living [oikeo/dwelling] in us are in **Romans 8:9 & Romans 8:11**.

Rom 8:9 (NIV)

You, however, are controlled not by the sinful nature but by the Spirit, if the Spirit of God **lives [oikeo/dwells]** in you. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Christ.

Rom 8:11 (NIV)

And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is **living [oikeo/dwells]** in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit, who lives **[oikeo/dwells]** in you .

(1) The “Indwelling” of the Holy Spirit

Rom 8:11 (NASB)

*But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who **indwells** you.*

- We've already covered, therefore, the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, and it living/dwelling in you. (This “measure” is received at baptism in the name of Jesus Christ... **Acts 2:38**) The next two measures are:
 - 2 - Baptism with the Holy Spirit** – covering today.
 - 3 - The Miraculous Gifts of the Holy Spirit** – covering Wednesday night at 7:30PM. (At the SDA rotunda)

A.) *Five Characteristics of **Baptism With The Holy Spirit** in **Acts 2** and **Acts 10**

1. Promise, not a command
 2. Predicted (Prophecy)
 3. Came without warning (People were not specifically praying for it)
 4. Languages
 5. Purpose: to usher in the Kingdom with power
- * Probably on the quiz.**

*Today, Reviewing the two occurrences of the Baptism With The Holy Spirit in **Acts 2** [**for the Jew**] and **Acts 10** [**for the Gentile**].*

1. Promise (not command)

Acts 1:4-5 (~33AD)

*“On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: “Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the **gift my Father promised**, which you have **heard me speak about**. 5 For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be **baptized with the Holy Spirit**.”*

- What did Jesus command them to do here?
 - Stay in Jerusalem and wait for the promised gift.
 - He does NOT command them to baptize with the Holy Spirit, he tells them to wait.
- The “gift my Father promised” is the coming of the kingdom of God! (Not the Holy Spirit!)
 - In Acts 1:1-4, does Jesus “speak about” the Holy Spirit at all?
 - What does it say Jesus “spoke about” in verse 3?
 - What does the kingdom of God come with? (**Mark 9:1**)

1. Promise (not command)

Why is the Baptism with the Holy Spirit coming?

The clue is in what Jesus *spoke about* – “...which you have *heard me speak about.*”

Acts 1:4

*"After his suffering, he showed himself to these men and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and **spoke about the kingdom of God.**" Acts 1:3*

- Jesus **spoke about** the *Kingdom of God* for 40 days!

The Baptism of the Holy Spirit is coming because the Baptism with the Holy Spirit ushers in The Kingdom of God! The Kingdom of God is “*the gift*” that they heard Jesus “*speak about.*”

1. Promise (not command)

Why was the Baptism with the Holy Spirit necessary to usher in the Kingdom of God?

Mark 9:1

*And he said to them, "I tell you the truth, some who are standing here will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God **come with power.**"*

- We understand from "The Coming of The Kingdom" study that the kingdom of God must **come with power.**
- Therefore, the Baptism with the Holy Spirit must confer power upon them in order to fulfil this prophecy of ushering-in the promised gift of the Father – the Kingdom!

Acts 1:7-8

*He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. 8 But you will **receive power** when **the Holy Spirit comes on you**; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."*

The promised POWER to usher in The Kingdom of God is given by the Baptism with the Holy Spirit!

The POWER (Mark 9:1) to usher in the "*gift [Jesus'] Father has promised*" (Acts 1:3-5 - context: The Kingdom of God) is bestowed by the Baptism with the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:7-8). The Baptism with the Holy Spirit then is:

1. A Promise (From Christ)

- In **Mark 9:1** (**Promised** that the Kingdom of God will come with Power)
- In **Acts 1:3-5** (**Commanded to wait** for “the gift” that has been **promised** from Jesus’ Father)
- In **Acts 1:7-8** (Jesus crystallizes the **promise of power** bringing about the Kingdom of God – **Power** which they will receive with the **Baptism of the Holy Spirit!**)

2. Predicted (Prophecy)

Acts 2:1

“When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place.”

- They were not specifically praying for the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. They were just together in fellowship.
- Pentecost – 50 (“Pente”) days after the Passover.
 - Exodus 12, **the Passover**: This was when the Angel of death *passed over* the homes of God’s people because the blood of the “**Passover Lamb**” marked their doorposts.
 - Jesus became our **Passover Lamb**, as he died the day before the Passover feast. Exodus is a powerful foreshadowing physically of Jesus’ sacrifice and our freedom spiritually!
 - **Pentecost** was the Feast that celebrates the first fruits of the harvest.
- Remember this event from “The Coming of the Kingdom” study...(Acts 2:16-18 – witnessing a fulfillment of a prophecy)
 - Check out the website to catch up: phxicc.org/fp

3. Came without warning

Acts 2:2-4

- "They" = 120. (**Acts 1:15**) What is going on!? They were not even "praying." They were together for yet another "*meeting of the body.*"
- Blowing of a violent wind. Tongues of fire separating on them.
- A Ball of fire on your head!? You know something is happening!
- "***Suddenly***" – it came without warning, no-one was expecting this!

4. Languages

Other Tongues = Known Languages

"...filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. "

Acts 2:4

- Let the bible interpret the bible here!

Acts 2:5-6 *"...because each one heard them speaking in his own language."*

- Tongues then, in the bible, are the ability to speak known languages without studying them!

5. Purpose:

To usher in the Kingdom with Power!

Acts 2:6-18

Understand from the Kingdom study, this is how the kingdom is ushered in. (Mark 9:1 – "...with power!")

- Not the "last days" (**Acts 2:17**) of humankind, but "the last days of the temple" the "last days" of the ceremony, the temple, and the **physical** nation of **Israel**, which was obliterated by Titus in 70 AD
 - New Kingdom of God ushered in: **Spiritual "Israel."** **Luke 17:20-21**
- Because of the sound of the violent wind, and the power given at the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, they go out preaching in these other languages and it draws a huge crowd! (**Acts 2:18-21**)
- When the crowd gathers in bewilderment (**Acts 2:6**), amazement and feeling perplexed (**Acts 2:12**) – who stands up? Peter – he talks about Jesus' death burial and resurrection. (**Acts 2:24**) and he has the **Keys to the kingdom of God.** (**Matthew 16:19**)

Acts 2 Characteristics (Summary)

First occasion of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2) Acts 2:36-38 & Acts 2:41

1 – Promise (not command) (Acts 1:4-5)

2 – Predicted (prophesied)

- A fulfillment of the prophecy of Joel. **Acts 2:17.**
- Important, must understand, it is not a command. Instead, the baptism with the Holy Spirit is a promise and a prediction/prophecy.

3 - Came without warning. (People were not specifically praying for it.)

- Some believe you pray, then Holy Spirit comes on you...they were not in control and not expecting this nor praying for it.

4 – Languages (The ability to speak in *real, identifiable, languages.*)

5 – Purpose: to usher in the Kingdom of God with power.

Mark 9:1, and Luke 24:49

- ***“I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”***

Acts 2:17

- God was going to pour out his Spirit to the **Jews**...this the **Jews** understood. They expected the prophecies and promises fulfilled and we see this in **Acts 2**.
- However, what about the **Gentiles**?
 - God knew the Jews needed to be shown that the Gentiles were to be a part of this same promise.
 - This brings us to our **second instance of Baptism with the Holy Spirit**.
 - When the Jews in Acts 2 were baptized with the Holy Spirit God showed that now - the Holy Spirit - would not only be poured on God's special leaders but it's now going to be on **all people (all Jews)**...and also even on the (Jewish) women...(cf. **Acts 2:17-18** – this thinking is *revolutionary*)
- The Jews still did not understand that “**all people**” meant Gentiles (non-Jews) as well! God had to usher in the Kingdom for the Gentiles the same way so they would!

Acts 10:1-8

Acts 10:1-2

- This guy is a total gentile. Roman. Centurion, in charge of 100 guys.
- Sometimes we get confused about who is saved and who is lost.
- There are people who are God-fearing, devout, give generously, and pray to God regularly...but they are **NOT SAVED**.
- God is going to GET them saved, Amen.

Acts 10:3-8

- Really loves God. Does not know anything about Jesus. Devout. God-fearing. Prays. Gives to the poor.
- Angel!? I'd be freaked out too if one visited me! (**2 Kings 19:35**) 185,000 Assyrians were taken out in one night by one angel. Fearsome!
- God has seen your heart, your prayers, & because of that, send to Joppa, for Peter. And so he (Cornelius) sets aside three guys, two servants, one soldier. ***"...Go to Joppa and get this guy Peter!"***

Acts 10:9-23

Acts 10:9-16

- What is in the sheet...bible says it contained 4 footed animals and reptiles, birds...unclean. **“Surely not, LORD!”**
- Do not call anything impure that God has made clean.
- Sheet comes down from heaven again! **“Peter get up, kill and eat.”**

Acts 10:17

- Peter still don't get it..."what is going on!?" (Even after three times!)
- God was working one day in Caesarea with Cornelius, another day in Joppa with Peter.

Acts 10:18-23

- This is radical, for a Jew, he was not to associate with Gentiles...and God forbid, have Gentiles into his house.
 - God is clarifying: something has changed in the will and the covenants of God.
- What does it mean by **“...some of the brothers went along?”** It could only mean Jews - only kind of converts there are at this point!

Acts 10:24-33

Acts 10:24-25

- He was fired up, wanted his relatives to hear and his close friends to heart, the message of God.

Acts 10:25-26

- There are some that consider Peter to be the first Pope. Homage? Reverence? Original Peter says don't, get up!

Acts 10:27-29

- Peter finally understands.

Acts 10:30-33

- Here is Peter - broken the most radical law...Gentiles in his home, now he's in their home...
- He asks them..."why have you sent for me!?"
- Now, the Angel said...you have something to tell us.

Acts 10:34-48

- Peter preaching about Jesus. He comes to a full revelation - Jesus died for the entire world, Jew and Gentile! Incredible.
- Get's through his introduction verse 44 ***“While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message.”***
 - Was he done? What happens!? Boom! Another baptism of the Holy Spirit!
 - Circumcised believers (brothers, who were Jews) - astonished, even the H.S. poured out even on the Gentiles.
- Peter – ***“Can anyone keep these people from being baptized!?”***
 - They received the Holy Spirit...***“just as we have”*** (vs 47) The ***“we”*** here is who? The Jews! When did they get it & speak in other languages? **Acts 2.**
- Peter ***“ordered”*** them to be water baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.
 - Acts 2:38 – why ***order*** them? Because baptism is for the forgiveness of sins, & the gift of the (indwelling of the) Holy Spirit.
 - A right relationship with God begins when you get your sins forgiven! When the wall of sin separating you from God comes down.

Comparing These Events:

Acts 10 vs. Acts 2

- 1 - Is this the promise of Jesus? *We don't know yet. Let's hold on this one.*
- 2 - Does it follow from the prophecy?
 - Yes, it does. (See **Acts 2:17**) Even uses the same verbiage as Acts 2, “...*the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message.*” (**Acts 10:44**)
- 3 - Comes without warning?
 - Yes, it comes in the middle of Peter’s speech.
 - *Not even Peter knew it would happen!*
- 4 - Was it accompanied by the ability to speak in other languages?
Absolutely.
- 5 - Purpose was to usher in the Kingdom*
 - Give the Jews the faith and understanding that God was ushering in the Kingdom to the Gentiles.

Footnotes on #5*

Matthew 16 - who was given the keys? Whose preaching here? Peter!

Acts 2, Kingdom unlocked for Jews by who? Peter!

Acts 10, Kingdom unlocked for Gentiles by who? Peter!

We see four of the characteristics, we've got to read on to see if it is the promise of Jesus...and therefore Acts 10 is the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

Acts 11:1-3

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- Criticized him!? Why? Broke the law by fellowshiping these gentiles.

Acts 11:4-10

- Square with what happened?

Acts 11:11-14

- Very interesting - if they need to be brought a message for their salvation...are they saved?
 - Remember who this guy was - **Acts 10:1-3** He led his family to be devout and to fear God. He was generous and took care of people. He even prayed regularly. But **was he saved?** NO, he needed to hear the message!
 - When the H.S. came upon him and his household, was he saved? NO – because neither he nor his household had heard the whole message! Peter **was not done** preaching!
- God made it a point to have Peter see the same vision three times and to have the Holy Spirit prompt him and even an angel visit Cornelius himself. **God goes after the "Cornelius-like" people out there!**
- We just need to heed the prompting of the Holy Spirit - because they are still lost!

Acts 11:15-18

Acts 11:15-16

- Indeed, **it is the promise** - the same gift they had gotten. Peter quotes Christ making the same exact **promise** associated with the baptism with the Holy Spirit!

Acts 11:17-18

- And all of us Gentiles say, AMEN.
- Gentiles need to be fired up about **Acts 10-11!**
- The scriptures fit totally perfectly together.
- The fifth characteristic, the promise from Jesus (in **Acts 1:4-5**), is referenced by Peter when describing this event! (**Acts 11:16**)

Ephesians 4:4-6

- Now we have an opportunity to address what is seemingly a contradiction...in the bible.
- There is *seemingly* one, but we know the bible does not contradict itself – there must be an explanation!

Eph 4:4-6

- Paul writes here - saying there is ONE baptism.

*We know of **three baptisms***

1. John's baptism.
 2. The baptism of the Holy Spirit.
 3. Water baptism in the name of Jesus Christ.
- And yet here Paul says, there is **one** baptism!

The One Baptism in Eph 4:4-6

In fact, WHEN Paul writes the book of Ephesians (60AD), there is one baptism.

In 60AD - how can there be but one baptism?

Could it be John's baptism?

Going to see where a lot of the scriptures we've covered are going to come together.

The One Baptism (Ephesians 4): Could it be John's Baptism?

Acts 19:1-5

- Paul happens upon these men, with the life of disciples. They heard the preaching of John obviously - received his baptism.
- Did you receive the H.S. when you believed...once he hears they never even heard of the H.S. what does he bring up? BAPTISM.
- And in that moment - what baptism...John's baptism.
- John baptized with the goal to get people to believe in the one coming after him (repentance).
- Once they heard that now there is another baptism - verse 5 - they were baptized into the name of the Lord Jesus.

The One Baptism (Ephesians 4): Could it be John's Baptism?

Acts 2:38 – Acts was written by the same author and this is later in the same book, even from a secular point of view, you won't contradict yourself.

- Every one of you needs to be baptized so you can have your sins forgiven...(Acts 2:41)

What do we learn here from **Acts 19:1-5**?

- **By 60 AD** - John's baptism...clearly was no longer a valid baptism
- **In ~33 AD, Acts 2**, for the first time baptism in the name of Jesus was preached and for the first time, the gift of the indwelling of the Holy Spirit could be given.
- Did you understand why you were baptized...baptized again! (*Where is that in the bible!)

John's baptism was no longer valid after the coming of the kingdom (by & after AD 33, baptism of Jesus was preached and insisted upon – **Acts 2:38, Acts 10:48, Acts 19:1-5**).

The One Baptism (Ephesians 4): Could it be “Baptism with the Holy Spirit?”

1. Promised
2. Prophecy / Predicted.
 - It was ***not commanded***. (Important point!)
3. Came ***without warning!***
 - It was **not something they did**, it was **something that happened to them!**
4. Once the prophecy is fulfilled (Joel 2), not another need of it. (I will pour out my Spirit...)
5. The promise has been kept. The kingdom has been ushered in first for the Jew, then for the Gentiles.

The One Baptism (Eph 4): Baptism In The Name of Jesus Christ?

Let's be sure baptism in the name of Jesus Christ is the one baptism Paul spoke of in Ephesians 4.

(After Jesus died, buried, resurrected, met the guys in Galilee, in Acts 1, and spends **40 days** with them)

Matt 28:18-20

Right here. Jesus gives them a **perpetual command** for the ages:

- Go and make disciples and baptize them!
- This is the command of Jesus! Water baptism in his name through the ages for any one who repents and is made into a disciple!

The One Baptism (Ephesians 4): Baptism In The Name of Jesus Christ?

Peter seemed to be around **all the baptisms...**

- He was key in both Baptisms with the Holy Spirit and even was around during John's ministry!

1st Peter was written 62 AD (Contemporary letter of the Ephesians Letter which was written in ~60AD).

1 Peter 3:20-22

- The water = the flood. Baptism = the flood.
- Not the washing of your body...saves you by your faith in a power of God pledging a good conscience.
- By the resurrection, because it is baptism in the Name of Jesus Christ...
- Jesus believes in **perpetual** water baptism in his name - Jesus **commanded** it! (**Matthew 28:18-20**)
- Peter, who was there at both baptisms of the Holy Spirit and even during John's ministry, confirms, the **one baptism for salvation is baptism in Jesus' name!**

Quiz prep for Wednesday!

- **Three measures** of the Holy Spirit.
- The **five characteristics** of the baptism of the Holy Spirit
- **Three baptisms**, what is the **one baptism**, be able to break that down. (**Eph 4:4-6, Acts 19:1-5, Acts 2 & 10**)
- **Hebrews 10:24-25, 1 John 1:9**

REMINDER: Acts OUTLINE due by Wed 9/27!