

*You are no holier after receiving the baptism than you were before. But you now potentially have the power of Jesus within you to overcome evil and to be a witness for Christ. The Lord God lets it be your choice, your free will, as to how you use this wonderful gift of God, or whether you bury this talent in the earth.*

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**SOME FINAL POINTS ON THE BAPTISM IN THE SPIRIT AND  
WHAT MAY HAPPEN AFTER YOU RECEIVE THE BAPTISM IN  
THE HOLY SPIRIT**

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Final Points

1. The Baptism is necessary if you really want the power to change your world.
2. This is not some game or “feel good” exercise used to give you a reputation.
3. If you receive this experience, expect Satan to come after you. You will be a threat to him like never before, and he will hate you for it, and you will be much more sensitive to his attacks and to his kingdom of darkness all around you.
4. The Baptism is not a stopping place.
5. You won't necessarily be any more mature or righteous than those who have never had this experience.
6. We are leaking vessels and must constantly be being refilled.
7. We must love those who oppose this experience and oppose us.
8. Even after receiving this experience, if you don't go on to maturity by studying the Word of God and by waiting on the Lord, you will not be effective in the Lord's Endtime Army. If you are not willing to pay the price, it would be better for you not to receive the experience.

What May Happen After You Receive the Baptism

1. Generally people who are baptized in the Spirit immediately have a closeness to Jesus more so than they ever had. There is a great desire to stay in His Presence and to glorify His Name through prayer and praise: Psalm 16:8 & 11-*I have set the LORD always before me; Because He is at my right hand I shall not be moved.... You have shown me the path of life; In Your presence is fullness of joy; At your right hand are pleasures forevermore.*

2. Worship becomes more than just singing some lines from a song: Psalm 95:6-7-*O come let us worship and bow down; Let us kneel before the LORD our Maker. For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture and the sheep of His hand.*
3. Often specific scriptures become *rhema* to the individual who has been baptized, and it is not uncommon for people to remember specific scriptures that they don't remember memorizing. The *Logos* is the entire written Word of God. *Rhema* are specific scriptures from the *Logos* for individuals at a specific point in time: John 14:26-***But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you.***
4. The Holy Spirit is our teacher, and He teaches us the Word of God so that we better understand passages we did not before: 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 2:12-13 & 16-*Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, that we might know the things that have been freely given to us by God. These things we also speak, not in words which man's wisdom teaches, but which the Holy Spirit teaches, comparing spiritual things with spiritual....For who has known the mind of the LORD that he may instruct Him? But we have the mind of Christ.*
5. We find times when the Spirit comes on us with an anointing in such a way as to give us power to do spiritual things, such as preach and teach: Luke 4:18-19-***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.***
6. We have a new love for lost people and have a new power to be a witness for Christ. Ultimately this is one of the main reasons for the baptism in the Holy Spirit: Acts 1:8-***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.***
7. The Lord carries us through a life-long, I believe, process of being sanctified or set apart for the Lord's purposes: 2<sup>nd</sup> Thessalonians 2:13-14-*But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God from the beginning chose you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and*

*belief in the truth, to which He called you by our gospel, for obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

8. The Spirit communicates with us speaking things that previously we often did not hear: Hebrews 10:15-16-*But the Holy Spirit also witnesses to us: for after He had said before, "This is the covenant that I will make with them after those days, says the LORD: I will put My laws in to their hearts, and in their minds I will write them..."*
9. The Spirit sometimes shows us things to come: "Present your case," says the LORD. "Bring forth your strong reasons, says the King of Jacob. Let them bring forth and show us what will happen; let them show the former things, what they were, that we may consider them, and know the latter end of them; or declare to us things to come. Show the things that are to come hereafter, that we may know that you are gods..." The Lord is saying in this passage that idols, that the people were worshipping, could not predict the future or explain the past. Only the Spirit of God could do that. Micah 3:7-8-*So the seers shall be ashamed, and the diviners abashed; Indeed they shall all cover their lips; For there is no answer from God. But truly I am full of power by the Spirit of the LORD, and of justice and might, to declare to Jacob his transgression and to Israel his sin.*
10. We have a greater love for others in the Body of Christ and desire more fellowship with like-minded believers: 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 6:9-11-*Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, not sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you, but you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of God.*
11. Our lives began to show forth the fruit of the Spirit: Galatians 5:22-23-*But the fruit of the spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.*
12. We can operate in supernatural enablements or gifts of the Spirit: 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians 12:7-11-*But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to each one for the profit of all: for to one is given the word of wisdom through the Spirit, to another the word of knowledge through the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the same Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to*

*another prophecy, to another discerning of spirits, to another different kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. But one and the same Spirit works all these things, distributing to each one individually as He wills.*

### **Will You Be Poured Out**

Will you be poured out like wine  
Upon the altar for me?  
Will you be broken like bread  
To feed the hungry for me?  
Will you be so one with Me  
That I may do just as I please?  
Be My life, My light, My love,  
My Word fulfilled.

Yes, I'll be poured out like wine  
Upon the altar for You.  
Yes, I'll be broken like bread  
To feed the hungry for You.  
Yes, I'll be so one with You  
That you may do just as you please.  
I'll be Your life, Your light, Your love,  
Your Word fulfilled.