

# Holy Spirit Baptism

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“If you (church of Christ) claim to restore NT Christianity, why aren’t you: baptizing in the Holy Spirit; speaking in tongues, and handling snakes, etc.”

## What Holy Spirit Baptism Is Not

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- Anything before Pentecost (Matt. 3:11; Jno. 7:39; Acts 1:1-5)
- Just power to perform miracles (Matt. 10:5-8)
- Just to be filled with the Holy Spirit (Lk. 1:15, 41, 67; Eph. 5:18)
- To make one a son of God (I Cor. 12:13)
  - The Spirit is given after we become children of God (Gal. 4:6).
  - The Spirit makes one a son of God in the same way He makes elders (CF. Acts 20:28).

## What Holy Spirit Baptism Is

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**Baptism is an immersion, overwhelming, a complete overpowering of the person submerged by water.**

**So the baptism of the Holy Spirit was:**

**“an equally entire subjugation and overmastery of the soul by the Spirit”  
(Boles)**

## What did this entire subjugation and overmastery of the soul by the Spirit produce?

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- Power, (Acts 1:8) to:
  - To remember what Jesus had said (Jno. 14:26)
  - To be guided into all truth (Jno. 16:13)
  - To know things to come (Jno. 16:13)
  - To convict the world of sin through their word (Jno. 16:7-11)
  - To bear witness or confirm their word (Jno. 15:26-27)

**Example: Acts 2**

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- **Two recorded instances.**
  - **Apostles on Pentecost (Acts 1:26-2:1)**
    - **The purpose of their receiving this baptism was to give them *THIS* power**

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  - **Cornelius, (Acts 11:15-17). Peter said that he received the “like gift”, as did the apostles. Peter connects this gift with the baptism of the Holy Spirit.**
    - **The **purpose** of their receiving this baptism was **to show the apostles that God accepted the Gentiles.****

# What About Us?

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- Holy Spirit Baptism today?
  - **Two in 33 AD**
  - **Two in 40 AD**
  - **One in 62 AD (Eph. 4:5)**
    - Which? — Water Baptism for remission of sin (Act 2:38-39)