



# **The Coming of the Holy Spirit**

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**When did the Holy Spirit come to indwell believers  
THE FIRST TIME?**

**Teaching is an absolute necessity when it comes to understanding the truth about the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. Faith comes by hearing and hearing by the Word of God.**

**False teaching concerning this event has been the cause of great confusion in the Body of Christ. It is a very important lesson. A lesson all must understand to have a clear understanding of the difference between the INDWELLING AND THE POWER of the**

Holy Spirit.

## First... I will explain the difference

The indwelling of the Spirit refers to the fact, taught in scripture, that all believers have been given at the moment of the new birth Holy Spirit [with- in]. This is taught in Ephesians.

### **Ephesians 1:13-14:**

**“13. In Him you also who have heard the Word of Truth, the glad tidings (Gospel) of your salvation, and have believed in and adhered to and relied on Him, were stamped with the seal of the long-promised Holy Spirit. 14. That [Spirit] is the guarantee of our inheritance [the first fruits, the pledge and foretaste, the down payment on our heritage], in anticipation of its full redemption and our acquiring [complete] possession of it – to the praise of His glory.”**

Notice that in verse 13 it says, **“were stamped with the seal of the long-promised Holy Spirit.”** It is clear the verse above is speaking of the new birth. Thus, when the new birth takes place there is the sealing of the Holy Spirit with-in. Everyone knows that salvation is through the work of the Holy Spirit. Jesus taught in **John 3:5** that **“unless a man is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God.”** It is the work of the Holy Spirit that brings about the new birth.

Notice in the same verse it states each Believer was **“Stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit.”** This teaches us that every Believer has been sealed up within [living inside the Believers] the Holy Spirit and that it is our **“pledge and foretaste, the down payment on our heritage.”** In other words, in the words of the Scripture **“We are “SEALED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT of promise, which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of His glory.”**

Sealing is like a sealing of an envelope to ensure its contents kept safe, until opened. We have been given the Holy Spirit as the earnest of our inheritance, “down payment”. This guarantees each Believer that they will be saved and ready to meet the Lord when He returns to this earth. Every BORN AGAIN CHRISTIAN has received the Holy Spirit THE DAY HE WAS SAVED!

**!!! CAUTION!!!**

**WARNING  
CONFUSION ENTERS HERE FOR MANY**

**\*\*\*The coming of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost was NOT WHEN THE HOLY SPIRIT CAME THE FIRST TIME!**

This event (the day of Pentecost and the Baptism of the Holy Spirit) has been confused with the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

Many teach that PENTECOST was the “FIRST TIME” the Holy Spirit came to this earth to INDWELL MEN. This is not true!

If there were no other references to the coming of the Holy Spirit than one might be led to believe this teaching, but in fact, there is another teaching in the scripture.

**IF MEN ARE LED TO BELIEVE THAT THE HOLY SPIRIT FIRST INDWELT BELIEVERS AT PENTECOST THAN THE MEANING OF THE DAY OF PENTECOST LOOSES ITS TRUE MEANING!**

We Know that we must rightly divide the Word of God in order to maintain its truth. (II Tim. 2:15)

The truth is, the “Indwelling” [salvation] of Believers and the “BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT” are taught as two separate

works of grace. To confuse these events and change the clear teaching of these truths causes great misunderstanding and hurt to the Body of Christ.

## **\*\*\*SECOND - WHEN DOES THE SCRIPTURE TEACH THE FIRST COMING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT?**

In **John 20: 19-23** we read of an event that took place after the resurrection of Jesus but before Jesus went back to Heaven.

**“19. Then on the same first day of the week, when it was evening, though the disciples were behind closed doors for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, Peace to you! 20. So saying, He showed them His hands and His side. And when the disciples saw the Lord, they were filled with joy (delight, exultation, ecstasy, rapture). 21. Than Jesus said to them again Peace to you! [Just] as the Father has sent Me forth, so I am sending you. 22. And having said this, HE BREATHED ON THEM AND SAID TO THEM, RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT!**

**23, [NOW HAVING RECEIVED THE HOLY SPIRIT, and being led and directed by Him] If you forgive the sins of anyone, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of anyone, they are retained.”**

You should note that this scripture says that Jesus breathed on them and told them to receive the Holy Spirit.

**THIS IS THE FIRST TIME THE HOLY SPIRIT WAS GIVEN TO THEM, AND IT IS THE TIME WHEN THEY WERE INDWELLED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT.**

I will now remind you that this event preceded the Day of Pentecost. Since this event occurred, we can no longer say the

Holy Spirit came FIRST at Pentecost! Since this is true, let me ask you the question: **THAN WHAT WAS THE DAY OF PENTECOST ALL ABOUT?**

In answer to that question I must say; the Day of Pentecost was when the HOLY SPIRIT POWER CAME UPON THE EARLY BELIEVERS THE FIRST TIME. This event was not the indwelling, for the indwelling had already taken place in John 20:19-13. The fact of the matter is; this tells us that the Holy Spirit coming again refers to a **“SECOND WORK OF GRACE” It was an event that CAME AFTER SALVATION.**

This is interesting because many Believers (like I have already stated) have been taught that the Holy Spirit first came on the Day of Pentecost.

### **WHAT TROUBLE HAS THIS CAUSED??**

The fact of the matter is: this teaching has caused a large part of the Body of Christ to miss the POWER NEEDED TO WORK FOR GOD. We cannot effectively work for God in our own strength. We need the power of the Holy Spirit.

The coming of the Spirit, like a mighty wind, at Pentecost was for power to be witnesses of Jesus Christ and to effectively preach the Gospel. If men are taught, they do not need anything more than the indwelling, and there is no other work of grace, than they go on without this power. The very fact is that the NINE GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT are received at the giving of this power and the entire work is evidenced by the speaking of heavenly languages that enables and helps the Christian to pray and move in revelation knowledge. No wonder so many are in trouble and the church in terrible condition!

This is a very serious charge and immediately it becomes necessary for me to “contend for the faith” that was once given. If a large part of the church has become “POWERLESS” because of this false teaching, it is time to stand up and proclaim the truth.

Consider the verses found in **Acts 1:4-5** and **1:8**:

**“4. And while being in their company and eating at the table with them, He commanded them not to leave Jerusalem but to wait for what the Father had promised (Matthew 3:11-12), of which [He said] you have heard Me speak. [John 14:16; 26; 15:26] 5. For John truly baptized with water, but not many days from now you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”**

**“8. But you shall receive power (ability, efficiency, and might) when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you shall be My witnesses in Jerusalem and all Judea and Samaria and to the ends (the very bounds) of the earth.”**

Jesus told His disciples plainly to wait in Jerusalem and to not begin their witnessing and preaching until they had received the POWER. He told them plainly **“DO NOT LEAVE TOWN WITHOUT FIRST RECEIVING THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT!”**

The fact is there are whole sections of the church that teach false doctrine concerning this power. We can clearly see how they have been led astray through the confusing of these two events.

I, myself, went for over twenty years in the service of a denomination that taught false teaching about this. I was led astray, without knowledge of how to receive the power of the Holy Spirit. Consequently, my ministry was greatly hurt and hindered. In the desert in 1999, the Lord was gracious to me and showed me the truth. I came out of the desert walking in the power of the Holy Spirit for the first time in my life.....To fully describe to you how badly I was hurt by these false teachers would take too long. Let me suffice to say; it was a terrible loss.

This is the reason I take in hand to instruct others on this subject. It is my prayer that you will not be hindered as I was. I want you to clearly understand.



**YOU CAN BE SAVED, Having the indwelling of the Spirit, and be POWERLESS!**

**Do not let false teachers keep you from this truth. If you have been deceived, correct it now and receive the POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.**

**\*Scripture taken from the Amplified Version unless noted.**