

# Lesson 5: Immersion in the Holy Spirit

## Part 1: The Sunken Ship

Truth is usually disruptive to our life. Something in our self life must give way to truth, be supplanted. Part of the truth of baptism is the surrender of the old life in order to enter the new life.

Also truth can disrupt and challenge our personal beliefs. The truth of the immersion in the Holy Spirit may challenge some aspects of your beliefs about the Holy Spirit.

Actually Jesus warned us about the disruption of truth.

Matt. 10:34

“Do not suppose that I have come to bring peace to the earth. I did not come to bring peace, but a sword.”

Truth is like a sword that pierces to the innermost part of our life.

Heb 4:12 For the word of God is quick, and powerful, and sharper than any **two edged sword**, piercing even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit, and of the joints and marrow, and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents of the heart.

Why am I using the term immersion instead of baptism. The term Baptism in the Holy Spirit carries a lot of baggage for some. Can be associated with fanaticism.

What is the meaning of baptism. From the Greek directly: *baptízō* – properly, "submerge"; hence, *baptize*, to immerse (literally, "dip *under*"). (*baptízō*) implies submersion ("immersion")

I have read that this is the best picture of baptizo:

A sunken ship, Immersed without and filled within. Similar words are used in regards to the day of Pentecost.



Acts 1

<sup>4</sup> And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me.

<sup>5</sup> For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be **baptized** with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

<sup>8</sup> But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come **upon you**

Acts 2

<sup>4</sup> And they were all **filled** with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

In the coming lessons we will dive more deeply into the meaning of these and other scriptures in regards to the Immersion in the Holy Spirit.

In the next lesson we will look at our eternal inheritance in Christ both objective and subjective and how that relates to the gift of the Holy Spirit.