

The Doctrine of the Holy Spirit - Part 12

Title: not fulfilling the lusts of the flesh.



Text: Gal. 5:16 NLT:

Living by the Spirit's Power

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Can we loose any of the blessings we received from the Holy Spirit?

In part 11 of the Doctrine of the Holy Spirit, we considered the five ministries that the Holy Spirit gives us when we come to Christ, and their respective ministries within the believer.

1. The Holy Spirit **regenerates** the believer.
2. The Holy Spirit **baptizes** the believer.
3. The Holy Spirit **indwells** the believer.
4. The Holy Spirit **seals** the believer.
- 5. The Holy Spirit fills the believer.**

The first four ministries can never be lost and therefore need not be and should not be asked for again.

The fifth ministry, however, can be lost and therefore should be asked for as many times as needed. **Some call this back-sliding.**

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Eph. 5:18 NLT:

18 Don't be drunk with wine, because that will ruin your life. Instead, be filled with the Holy Spirit,



Believers in the book of Acts experienced the filling of the Holy Spirit often in their lives.

Acts 2:4 NLT:

4 And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability.

Acts 4:8 NLT:

8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, “Rulers and elders of our people,

Acts 6:3 NLT:

3 And so, brothers, select seven men who are well respected and are full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will give them this responsibility.



Acts 7:55 NLT:

55 But Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed steadily into heaven and saw the glory of God, and **he saw Jesus standing in the place of honor at God’s right hand.**

Acts 9:17 NLT:

17 So Ananias went and found Saul. He laid his hands on him and said, “Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road, has sent me so that you might regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.”

Acts 11:24 NLT:

24 Barnabas was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and strong in faith. And many people were brought to the Lord.

Acts 13:9 NLT:

9 Saul, also known as Paul, was filled with the Holy Spirit, and he looked the sorcerer in the eye.

Acts 13:52 NLT:

52 And the believers were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

We find that the first four ministries give us peace with God.

Rom. 5:1 NLT:

Faith Brings Joy

1 Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have **peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us.**

The fifth ministry assures us the peace of God.

Phil. 4:7: NLT:

7 Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus.

Conclusion:

All Christians, regardless of how backslidden they might be, enjoy peace with God, but only Spirit-controlled believers can know that blessed peace of God.



The fifth ministry is lost whenever disobedience is found in the life of the believer. This disobedience may manifest itself in either (or both) of the following ways:

The sin of quenching the Holy Spirit.

1 Thess. 5:19 KJV:

19 Quench not the Spirit.

In this example, this sin involves not doing that which the Holy Spirit would have us do. It is negative in nature. The same word is used elsewhere in reference to the putting out of a fire.

Mt. 12:20 NLT:

20 He will not crush the weakest reed
or put out a flickering candle.
Finally he will cause justice to be victorious.

Eph. 6:16 NLT:

16 In addition to all of these, hold up the shield of faith to stop the fiery arrows of the devil.

Heb. 11:34 NLT:

34 quenched the flames of fire, and escaped death by the edge of the sword. Their weakness was turned to strength. They became strong in battle and put whole armies to flight.

The sin of grieving the Holy Spirit.

Eph. 4:30 NLT:

30 And do not bring sorrow to God's Holy Spirit by the way you live. Remember, he has identified you as his own, guaranteeing that you will be saved on the day of redemption.

This sin involves doing that which the Holy Spirit would not have us do. It is positive in nature.



**The fifth ministry may (and should be) instantly regained.
This can be accomplished:**

A. By knowing God's means of forgiveness and cleansing - the blood of Christ..

1Jn.1:7 NLT:

7 But if we are living in the light, as God is in the light, then we have fellowship with each other, **and the blood of Jesus, his Son, cleanses us from all sin.**

B. By knowing God's method of forgiveness and cleansing - the confession of the Christian.

1Jn.1:9 NLT:

9 But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.

* **If we sin**, we humble ourselves before Him, and we ask for forgiveness of the sin, and we immediately fall right back into fellowship.



The fifth ministry assures the believer of the ten following blessings:

1. The Holy Spirit pray for him..

Rom. 8:26 KJV:

26 Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.

In the original text, the word “**infirmities**” is in the singular. Thus the one infirmity in mind here is our inability to pray as we ought to pray. It is for this reason that the Spirit comes to our aid. However, it should be kept in mind that the Bible says he “**helpeth**” us, which simply means he desires the Christian to do his part also. Therefore, to be effectively prayed for, we ourselves must pray.

Jude 20 NLT:

20 But you, dear friends, must build each other up in your most holy faith, pray in the power of the Holy Spirit,

Eph. 2:18 NLT:

18 Now all of us can come to the Father through the same Holy Spirit because of what Christ has done for us.

Eph. 6:18 NLT:

18 Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere.

2. The Holy Spirit will guide us.

Jn. 16:13 NLT:

13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own but will tell you what he has heard. He will tell you about the future.

Rom. 8:14 NLT:

14 For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

3. The Holy Spirit will teach us.

1 Jn. 2:27 NLT:

27 But you have received the Holy Spirit, and he lives within you, so you don't need anyone to teach you what is true. For the Spirit teaches you everything you need to know, and what he teaches is true—it is not a lie. So just as he has taught you, remain in fellowship with Christ.

4. The Holy Spirit will empower us for witnessing.

Acts 1:8 NLT:

8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

5. The Holy Spirit will impart the love of Christ to us and through him.

Rom. 5:5 NLT:

5 And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.

6. The Holy Spirit will conform us to the image of Christ.

2 Cor. 3:18 NLT:

18 So all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image.

1 Jn. 3:2 NLT:

2 Dear friends, we are already God’s children, but he has not yet shown us what we will be like when Christ appears. But we do know that we will be like him, for we will see him as he really is

Phil. 3:21 NLT:

21 He will take our weak mortal bodies and change them into glorious bodies like his own, using the same power with which he will bring everything under his control.

But God the Spirit desires to start this glorious work in each child of God at the moment of salvation.

Phil. 3:10 NLT:

10 I want to know Christ and experience the mighty power that raised him from the dead. I want to suffer with him, sharing in his death,

7. The Holy Spirit will strengthen the new nature in the believer.

Eph. 3:16 NLT:

6 That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might by his Spirit in the inner man;

A. This he does through Bible studies.

1 Pet. 2:2 NLT:

2 As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby:

B. Through Prayer.

Jude 20 NLT:

20 But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost,

8. The Holy Spirit reveals biblical truth to us..

1 Cor. 2:10 NLT:

10 But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.

9. The Holy Spirit assures us concerning salvation and service.

Rom. 8:16 NLT:

16 For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children.

1Jn. 3:24 NLT:

24 Those who obey God's commandments remain in fellowship with him, and he with them. And we know he lives in us because the Spirit he gave us lives in us.

10. The Holy Spirit gives us liberty.

Rom. 8:2 NLT:

2 And because you belong to him, the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you from the power of sin that leads to death.

2 Cor. 3:17 NLT:

17 For the Lord is the Spirit, and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

11. The Holy Spirit fills our mouth with appropriate things.

Mk. 13:11 NLT:

11 But when you are arrested and stand trial, don't worry in advance about what to say. Just say what God tells you at that time, for it is not you who will be speaking, but the Holy Spirit.

Acts 4:8-22 NLT:

8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers and elders of our people,

9 are we being questioned today because we've done a good deed for a crippled man? Do you want to know how he was healed?

10 Let me clearly state to all of you and to all the people of Israel that he was healed by the powerful name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the man you crucified but whom God raised from the dead.

11 For Jesus is the one referred to in the Scriptures, where it says,
'The stone that you builders rejected has now become the cornerstone.'

12 There is salvation in no one else! God has given no other name under heaven by which we must be saved."

13 The members of the council were amazed when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, for they could see that they were ordinary men with no special training in the Scriptures. They also recognized them as men who had been with Jesus.

14 But since they could see the man who had been healed standing right there among them, there was nothing the council could say.

15 So they ordered Peter and John out of the council chamber and conferred among themselves.

16 "What should we do with these men?" they asked each other. "We can't deny that they have performed a miraculous sign, and everybody in Jerusalem knows about it.

17 But to keep them from spreading their propaganda any further, we must warn them not to speak to anyone in Jesus' name again."

18 So they called the apostles back in and commanded them never again to speak or teach in the name of Jesus.

19 But Peter and John replied, “Do you think God wants us to obey you rather than him?”

20 We cannot stop telling about everything we have seen and heard.”

21 The council then threatened them further, but they finally let them go because they didn’t know how to punish them without starting a riot. For everyone was praising God

22 for this miraculous sign—the healing of a man who had been lame for more than forty years.

Acts 5:29-33 NLT:

29 But Peter and the apostles replied, “We must obey God rather than any human authority.

30 The God of our ancestors raised Jesus from the dead after you killed him by hanging him on a cross.

31 Then God put him in the place of honor at his right hand as Prince and Savior. He did this so the people of Israel would repent of their sins and be forgiven.

32 We are witnesses of these things and so is the Holy Spirit, who is given by God to those who obey him.”

33 When they heard this, the high council was furious and decided to kill them

Acts 7:55 NLT:

55 But Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed steadily into heaven and saw the glory of God, and he saw Jesus standing in the place of honor at God's right hand.



How do I ask Jesus to come into my life?



How do we get right with God, regardless of my sins?

Lord Jesus, I ask You to please come into my life, and to forgive me of all my sins, and I ask You to become my Lord and Savior, from this day forward.

Friends, if you prayed that prayer, I believe that you are born again, and that you have been made a new creation in Christ Jesus, and that ALL of your sins have been forgiven, and that you have Eternal life with our father in Heaven.

For Jesus Says to all of us: Jn.14:6 NIV:

6 Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

I encourage You, to get in a good bible teaching church, so that you may grow in Christ Jesus, so that HE may use you to preach and teach, the Good News!

In, Jesus Mighty Name!

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