



WHO IS THE HOLY SPIRIT?

Aftershocks: The Holy Spirit Leads Us

1. The Azusa Street Revival – Few events in the history of Christendom have impacted and influenced the world as much as the Azusa Street Revival.
2. Heritage is great...but it's not enough – every generation needs its own Pentecost.
3. The baptism in the Holy Spirit isn't a one-time event. It should give us daily aftershocks that are felt by us and the world around us.

1. THE HOLY SPIRIT HELPS JESUS TO BE SEEN IN US AND THROUGH US

John 16:14 (GNT) **“He will give me glory.”**

- A. It's always been the mission of the Spirit to exalt Jesus.
- B. Therefore, the Spirit working through us should do the same – **draw people's attention** to Jesus, inviting them to love, trust, and obey Him.
- C. How do we draw people's attention to Christ?
 - i. Show courtesy – **Titus 3:2 (GW)** **“Believers shouldn't curse anyone or be quarrelsome, but they should be gentle and show courtesy to everyone.”**
 - ii. Offer mercy – **2 Corinthians 2:7 (TLB)** **“Now it is time to forgive him and comfort him. Otherwise he may become so bitter and discouraged that he won't be able to recover.”**
 - iii. Express sympathy – **Colossians 3:12 (GW)** **“As holy people whom God has chosen and loved, be sympathetic, kind, humble, gentle, and patient.”**
 - iv. Speak honestly – **Proverbs 28:23 (NLT)** – **“In the end, people appreciate honest criticism far more than flattery.”**

2. THE HOLY SPIRIT CONVICTS US

John 16:8 (NLT) **“And when He comes, He will convict the world of its sin, and of God's righteousness, and of the coming judgment.”**

- A. The Holy Spirit convicts us in three areas: Sin of unbelief, Righteousness of Jesus, Judgment
- B. Conviction is good, but here are some things conviction is not:
 - i. A guilty conscience
 - ii. A sense of trepidation
 - iii. A knowledge of right and wrong
- C. Conviction means, “to convince someone of truth; to reprove; to accuse; refute or cross-examine a witness”

3. THE HOLY SPIRIT GUIDES US

John 16:13 (NIV) – **But when He, the Spirit of truth, comes, He will guide you into all the truth...**

- A. The Spirit is especially present and active at every crossroads in our lives when we are making vital decisions.
- B. We should give the Holy Spirit a greater capacity to influence

decisions regarding our future.

- C. God uses three primary means to guide us:
 - i. Primary guidance: The Word – Psalm 119:105
 - ii. Secondary guidance: The Spirit – John 10:27
 - iii. Confirming guidance: Life's circumstances – Psalm 37:23

4. THE HOLY SPIRIT MANAGES OUR MOODS

Romans 8:6 (NLT) – “So letting your sinful nature control your mind leads to death. But letting the Spirit control your mind leads to life and peace.”

- A. Moods are contagious, both good and bad
- B. You can either learn to manage your emotions or let your emotions manage you. – Romans 12:1-2 (NLT)
- C. Consider these four truths on how to manage your emotions:
 - i. Give your emotions to the control of the Holy Spirit each day
 - ii. Don't let anger get out of control – James 1:20 (NLT)
 - iii. Let other people (friends) help you manage your emotions
 - iv. Stay focused on the things you can control, not on the things you can't – Psalm 56:3

5. THE HOLY SPIRIT GIVES US AN UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO GOD'S WORD

- A. As people of the Spirit, we must keep God's Word as the ultimate measuring rod for all we do. – 1 Cor. 2:14 (NIV)
- B. One mark of Spirit baptism should be a hunger to read and know the Word of God.
- C. A biblical worldview is learning to interpret the realities of life through the filter of Scripture. The result is that we start to think more like Jesus

6. THE HOLY SPIRIT GIVES US A PLANNED INTENTION TO BE MISSIONAL

Acts 1:8 (NIV) – “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

- A. The central purpose of the baptism in the Holy Spirit is empowerment
- B. The baptism in the Holy Spirit should help you speak in English (your native language) with clarity to be a witness for Christ!
- C. The Holy Spirit intentionally dwells within us to empower us missionally, so that globally, people can know Christ!

Let's pray that God would, through His Holy Spirit, help us to live with these enduring evidences of the baptism in the Spirit in our lives. That through us, the hurting will find healing, the lost will find hope, and the believer may be encouraged.