

## *Be Filled with the Holy Spirit Part 02*

### *The Value of the Holy Spirit to the Disciples and the Seal of The Holy Spirit*

***“49 And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.” (Luke 24:49 KJV)***

Why the Holy Spirit is important for the disciples? Jesus lived with the early disciples and He trained them and taught them how to live their lives unto Him. But the time had come for Him to leave them and go back to God the Father in Heaven. Jesus is God the Son, so God was with the early disciples as Jesus was with them. But as the time had come to Jesus to return to God the Father, then no one would be there with them. Therefore Jesus promised them the following: ***“16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;” (John 14:16 KJV)*** The Holy Spirit is God and He is now today with the life of the church and He is doing all and the same work that Jesus was doing in the life of the early disciples.

His disciples grieved to hear that Jesus would leave them and go to Heaven. But He assured them that this will be for their good, because when He will go, He will send them the Holy Spirit. ***“5 But now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou? 6 But because I have said these things unto you, sorrow hath filled your heart. 7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.” (John 16:5-7 KJV)*** The Counselor is the Holy Spirit that God the Father sent to us, to be with us forever. The Greek word for the Holy Spirit, ‘**Comforter**’ is ‘**Parakletos**’, which means summoned, called to one’s side, especially called to one’s aid. The one who pleads another’s cause before a judge, a pleader, counsel for defense, legal assistant, an advocate, one who pleads another’s cause with one, an intercessor, a helper, succourer, aider, or assistant; the Holy Spirit destined to take the place of Christ with the apostles after His ascension to the Father, to lead them to a deeper knowledge of the gospel truth, and give them divine strength needed to enable them to undergo trials and persecutions on behalf of the divine kingdom. Jesus said, ***“12 I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. 13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.” (John 16:12-13 KJV)***

***1. The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of truth: “13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come,” (John 16:13)*** There is no darkness or lies in the Holy Spirit. **The Holy Spirit when He speaks to us He tells us the truth that is why we need the Holy Spirit to speak to us and we need to listen to Him.**

***2. The Holy Spirit is the counselor: “7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.” (John 16:7 KJV)*** In this life many times you need to take certain decisions; you need to take the right direction and the precise step and for that you need to take the right advice and counsel. Therefore as we are filled with the Holy Spirit, we can rely on the Holy Spirit who is the best counselor and He will give us the best advice as we are in full obedience to God and to His Word. Obedient life unto God ensures to us the privilege of getting continuous advice and counseling by the Holy Spirit that we

are filled with.

***3. The Holy Spirit will not leave us as orphans:*** Jesus said, ***“18 I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.” (John 14:18 KJV)*** The orphan is the child without parents; who live a difficult life and somebody must care and look after him. In the same way if we are without God we are orphans. Jesus when He went to Heaven He sent the Holy Spirit to replace Him on earth to care and comfort the disciples. Jesus is God and the Holy Spirit is God. **So when we obey God and walk with Him the Holy Spirit is with us. We are not orphans; we have God the Father in Heaven, we have God the Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, on the right hand of God the Father, and we have God the Holy Spirit with us and live inside us on this earth. So we are not alone, the Holy Spirit along the way is with us. He is with us to aid us, to support us, to comfort us, to care for us, to succor us, to deliver us, to save us, to protect us and provide for us,**

***4. The Holy Spirit is our advocate: “7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you. 8 And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:” (John 16:7-8 KJV)*** Advocate is the lawyer who stands beside you and defend you when you have a case. **He will speak good things on our behalf. The Holy Spirit is God and He will do that for our behalf as long as we obey God; He will defend us and speak on our behalf.**

***5. The Holy Spirit is our battle partner:*** To be filled with The Holy Spirit is our back up and our reserve to face challenges and battles. In ancient times the soldiers of the same army when they were fighting the soldiers of the other army they face their backs with the backs of the same army soldiers so that their backs will be protected. **The same is with us, if we live in obedience to God and His commands, the Holy Spirit will be our battle partner. He will be at our back to protect us from the enemy that conspire and try to snap at our backs.**

**If you obey God and pursue righteousness then goodness and love will follow you all the days of your life and you will live in the house of the Lord forever.**

***6. The Holy Spirit will teach you further things:*** Jesus said, ***“25 These things have I spoken unto you, being yet present with you. 26 But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.” (John 14:25-26 KJV)*** Also Jesus said, ***“12 I have yet many things to say unto you, but ye cannot bear them now. 13 Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.” (John 16:12-13 KJV)*** There were many things Jesus wanted to tell His disciples about. But since they didn’t have the capacity to take that all in one time, then they needed to wait and receive the Holy Spirit who will continue that process of teaching in their lives and will guide them into all the truth. When they received the Holy Spirit baptism He guided them to the whole truth.

Therefore we need the filling of the Holy Spirit to be guided to the whole truth. The more we are obedient the more deep teachings and secrets from God we will receive. As you obey the Lord and His commands you will get other privileges of the Holy Spirit. You will

receive the sound teaching of the Lord Jesus Christ and the anointing that guides you into all the truth.

**7. The Holy Spirit will remind you:** The Holy Spirit is our memory, He will remind us of things we need to do. You can pray and ask the Holy Spirit to remind you of all things that you need to be reminded of. So we need the Holy Spirit who will teach us all things and who will remind us of all the teaching of Jesus. Therefore the early disciples were waiting to receive the Holy Spirit who will take the same place and do all and the same of what Jesus was doing in their lives.

**8. The Holy Spirit will convict you of guilt, righteousness and judgment:** “8 And when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:” (John 16:8 KJV) Only the Holy Spirit can convict the people to repent. We can teach, explain and try to convince but only the Holy Spirit can convict sinners to repent. **The Holy Spirit will convict you of righteousness; the right things that you need to do and follow. He will convict you of the coming judgment when you disobey God and His Word so you will take heed and be aware to repent as the Holy Spirit will continue to remind you that Jesus is coming back and soon.**

**9. The Holy Spirit is God with us:** “7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.” (John 16:7 KJV) Jesus is God hundred percent and He is also man hundred percent. Therefore as being a man then He cannot be in different places at the same time. So He cannot be with the whole disciples who are scattered in different places of the world. But The Holy Spirit can do that. Therefore the above statement of Jesus made it clearer the need to wait to receive the Holy Spirit.

The early disciples realized the need of the Holy Spirit in their lives after Jesus had left them and went to Heaven. “16 A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father.” (John 16:16 KJV) As Jesus went to Heaven the disciples were no more able to see Him but after they received the Holy Spirit then they could see the Lord moving among them and enjoyed the fellowship with Him and they could perform the miracles that He was doing according to His Word to them in **John 14:12 “Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.”** The same also is applied for us as we are filled with the Holy Spirit we can do all what Jesus did and even greater.

Now we will discuss about the seal of the Holy Spirit. After Jesus resurrection from death He appeared to His disciples, “21 Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you. 22 And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:” (John 20:21-22 KJV) When Jesus breathed on them and said, “Receive ye the Holy Ghost:” that did not represent the filling of the Holy Spirit that they needed to wait for. But that represents the seal of the Holy Spirit that God will give to everyone who receive Christ and accept Him as Savior and Lord over his or her life.

The seal of the Holy Spirit is what Apostle Paul wrote in his letter to the Ephesians, “13 In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in

**whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, 14 Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.”** (Ephesians 1:13-14 KJV) About the seal of the Holy Spirit we can read also in **Ephesians 4:30, “And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.”**

The seal of the Holy Spirit is the seal of ownership that God own our lives. The seal of the Holy Spirit is the down payment that God had bought us and we belong to Him as we can read in **2 Corinthians 1:21-22, “21 Now he which stablisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God; 22 Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.”**

**My Dear and Beloved:** When we received Christ we are sealed with the Holy Spirit, but that is not the filling of the Holy Spirit. To be sealed with the Holy Spirit is when you repent and receive Christ in your life, but the filling of the Holy Spirit is a new experience where the Holy Spirit will be having you fully to Him and no more you are working and acting but God who is in you is the one doing His works.

Therefore give thanks to God that He had sealed you with the Holy Spirit and marked you that you belong to Him. So cherish and appreciate that and live such a holy life that pleasant to Him.

Therefore from this day onward start to live a holy life, separate yourself from the world and sin and live to God, pursue holiness and start to obey God and ask the Holy Spirit to live in you, fill you, guide you and lead you where you need to go and the things that you ought to do and how to serve God.

Let us pray . . . .

**My Prayer:** Father God, I come before you in the name of Jesus, who died on the cross for my sins and rose from the dead to give me eternal life. Lord, thank you for your teaching to me in this message and thank you for sending to us, to your church, and to your people the Holy Spirit and all the blessings that we received by the Holy Spirit, the truth, the council, the comfort, the guidance, being our advocate, our battle partner, our reminder and teacher, the one who convict us of our sins and teach us to do what is right and who warn us about the coming judgment.

Come now to God and confess and renounce all your sins. Confess and renounce your worldliness, your love for money and material things. Confess and renounce your lust, and your immoralities. Confess and renounce your yoke with non believers, and in bondage with the Media, News and games. Confess and renounce your bad stewardship, your bad example and your non willingness to serve God and suffer for Him. Confess and renounce your stubbornness, your delay obedience, and your abuse to the grace of God. Confess and renounce your anger, hatred, revenge, unforgiveness, grudge and bitterness. Confess your lies, cheating, fights, quarrels, and corruption. Lord forgive me, I repent of the following sins

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Father God I thank you for the salvation I receive through faith in Jesus who died for my sins to give me eternal life. Lord I thank you for your Word. Lord thank you for the seal of

*ownership, the seal of the Holy Spirit. Thank you Lord that I belong to you. Lord I commit my life to live faithfully for you and to walk in your ways and according to your will. Lord give me strength and perseverance and provide for me so I continue to live a life that brings you glory and honor. Lord fill me with the Holy Spirit and help me to persevere and maintain my spiritual fervor in serving you. This is my prayer in Jesus name, Amen.*

*Lord thank you for my Brothers and Sisters who repented of their sins, and committed their lives to live in holiness for you and are willing to serve you. Lord continue to cleanse them from their sins and fill them with the Holy Spirit and give them the spiritual gifts that they need in their life and ministry to continue to go on and serve you; speaking in tongues, interpretations of tongues, message of wisdom, message of knowledge, gift of faith, gift of healing, gift of giving, showing mercy, leadership, administration, exhorter, pasturing, teaching, prophesying, evangelizing, and whatever talents and skills they lack you give them so they will continue faithfully serving you. .*

*Lord, bless us as your church. Lord we commit ourselves to continue to teach our families, children, and disciples about the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, and to live in holiness and to serve you. Lord we pray for more of our disciples and children to be water baptized and to receive the Holy Spirit baptism. Lord we ask you to refill us with the Holy Spirit and give us the spiritual gifts that we need to continue our service unto you. Lord, lead us to go on and evangelize, and make new disciples and train new workers to go and plant more Bible studies and congregations for the church. Lord fulfill the vision of the church, 'Multiplication in peace with implementing the whole will of God.' Lord bless us, enlarge our territory, let your hand be with us and free us from harm so that we will not feel pain. May the grace of the Lord Jesus and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all in Jesus name, Amen.*

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