

**How to Receive Spirit Baptism**  
**Power for Life – Part 3**  
**Life Church St. Louis – January 21, 2018**  
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*Acts 1:8 (ESV) But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."*

*John 7:38-39 (ESV) Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, 'Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water.'" Now this he said about the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were to receive, for as yet the Spirit had not been given, because Jesus was not yet glorified.*

**1. Spirit baptism in the life of \_\_\_\_\_**

**A. You must be \_\_\_\_\_**

*Acts 18:24-25a (ESV) Now a Jew named Apollos, a native of Alexandria, came to Ephesus. He was an eloquent man, competent in the Scriptures. He had been instructed in the way of the Lord. And being fervent in spirit, he spoke and taught accurately the things concerning Jesus ...*

**B. Be open to learning to \_\_\_\_\_ things**

*Acts 18:25b-26 (ESV) ... he spoke and taught accurately the things concerning Jesus, though he knew only the baptism of John. He began to speak boldly in the synagogue, but when Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they took him aside and explained to him the way of God more accurately.*

**C. Be water and \_\_\_\_\_ baptized**

*Acts 18:27-28 (ESV) And when he wished to cross to Achaia, the brothers encouraged him and wrote to the disciples to welcome him. When he arrived, he greatly helped those who through grace had believed, for he powerfully refuted the Jews in public, showing by the Scriptures that the Christ was Jesus.*

**2. Spirit baptism in the \_\_\_\_\_**

*Acts 19:1 (ESV) And it happened that while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul passed through the inland country and came to Ephesus. There he found some disciples.*

**A. Spirit baptism is not \_\_\_\_\_**

*Acts 19:2 (ESV) And he said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" And they said, "No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit."*

**B. Proper \_\_\_\_\_ baptism is important**

*Acts 19:3-5 (ESV) And he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They said, "Into John's baptism." And Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.*

**C. Spirit baptism is evidenced by \_\_\_\_\_**

*Acts 19:6-7 (ESV) And when Paul had laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they began speaking in tongues and prophesying. There were about twelve men in all.*

**3. Steps to receive Spirit \_\_\_\_\_**

**A. Focus on \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus**

**B. Allow someone Spirit baptized to \_\_\_\_\_ for you**

**C. \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus to baptize you with the Holy Spirit**

*Luke 11:13 (ESV) If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"*

**D. \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus is baptizing you with the Holy Spirit**

*Mark 11:24 (ESV) Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.*

**E. Begin to speak in \_\_\_\_\_**

*Acts 2:4 (ESV) And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.*

**Action Plan for This Week**

Have a daily quiet time of Bible reading (1-2 chapters in Acts) & prayer.  
 Mon  Tue  Wed  Thu  Fri  Sat  Sun

Read 2-3 chapters of the book Power for Life this week.

How will I obey God's Word this week? \_\_\_\_\_

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# How to Receive Spirit Baptism Study Guide

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Intro. Why is being a witness the only one of five biblical purposes that we won't be able to do in heaven (Acts 1:8)?

How would you describe the Spirit's power mentioned in Acts 1:8?

What did Jesus mean in by His description of Spirit baptism in John 7:38-39?

What areas of your life do you need more of God's power?

1A. Apollos is described as a committed and effective believer in Acts 18:24-25. What was he lacking in his life?

1B. Why did Priscilla and Aquila correct Apollos privately (Acts 18:26)? What attitude must Apollos have had in order to learn new things?

1C. After Apollos was water baptized in Jesus' name and received Spirit baptism, what changed in his life (Acts 18:27-28)?

1D. What are the main hindrances that keep people from being Spirit baptized today?

2A. How do we know that Luke wants us to understand that the disciples found by Paul in Acts 19:1 were taught by Apollos?

2B. How does Paul's question in Acts 19:2 refute the teaching that all believers are automatically Spirit baptized at salvation?

2C. Why is proper water baptism in Jesus' name so important (Acts 19:3-5)?

2D. Why does Luke carefully describe how the Ephesian believers obeyed Peter's instructions (Acts 19:6, Acts 2:38-39)?

2E. Why do you think speaking tongues is the evidence of Spirit baptism (Acts 2:4, Acts 19:6)?

3A. Why is each of the following steps in receiving Spirit baptism important?

3B. Focus on worshipping Jesus (Luke 3:16).

3C. Allow someone Spirit baptized to pray for you (Acts 19:6)).

3D. Ask Jesus to baptize you with the Holy Spirit (Luke 11:13).

3E. Believe Jesus is baptizing you with the Holy Spirit (Mark 11:24).

3F. Begin to speak in tongues (Acts 2:4, 19:6).