

## **THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT & BIRTHDAY OF THE CHURCH** **(Acts 2:1-4)**

### **I. THE CHURCH'S WITNESS FOR CHRIST IN JERUSALEM (1-7)**

#### **A. The BIRTH of the CHURCH in JERUSALEM (1-2)**

##### **1. The *Preparation* for the Birth of the Church (1:1-26)**

##### **2. The *Portrayal* of the Birth of the Church (2:1-13)**

a) The beginning of the church had been \_\_\_\_\_ by the Lord Jesus in Matthew 16:18 after Israel's national rejection of Him as its Messiah and blasphemy against the Holy Spirit (Matt. 12).

- *What would this church be like? (Eph. 1:22-23; 3:3-6)*
- *What else was predicted as a future event? (Matt. 3:11; Mark 1:8; Luke 3:16; John 1:33; Acts 1:5)*

b) The baptism by the Holy Spirit and birthday of the church occurred on the \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Acts 2:1)

- *What is the significance of this Jewish feast and the others? (Lev. 23; Col. 2:16-17)*

c) The coming of the Holy Spirit was a \_\_\_\_\_ event that included three things: a sound to hear, a sight to see, and a miraculous new speaking ability. (Acts 2:2-4)

- *What was the significance of these things?*

d) The One who baptized and filled the disciples was the \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ of the Triune Godhead. (Acts 2:4)

- *How do we know He is a person? (Acts 10:19-20; 13:2)*
- *How do we know He is fully God? (Acts 5:3-4)*
- *What is His role and relationship to the Father and Son? (Luke 24:49; John 15:26)*

e) The birth of the church involved the \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ ministries of the Holy Spirit as previously promised by Jesus Christ. (Luke 24:46-49; John 7:37-39; 14:16-17; Acts 1:4-5)

MINISTRIES OF THE HOLY SPIRIT		
PRE-SALVATION	AT SALVATION Justification	POST-SALVATION Sanctification
1. RESTRAINING (2 Thess. 2:6-8)	1. REGENERATES (Titus 3:5; John 3:3-7)	1. FILLING (Eph. 5:18)
2. REPROVING (convicting) the world (John 16:7-11)	2. INDWELLS (John 7:37-39; Romans 8:9; John 14:16-17)	2. TEACHING/ILLUMINATION (1 Cor. 2:12-13)
	3. BAPTIZES (Acts 1:5; 1 Cor. 12:13)	3. ENABLING (Rom. 15:13; Gal. 5:16)
	4. SEALS (Eph. 1:13-14)	4. CONVICTING (Heb. 12:5; Rev. 3:19)
	5. GIFTS (Romans 12 & 1 Cor. 12)	5. TRANSFORMING (2 Cor. 3:18)
		6. COMFORTING (John 14:16-17; Acts 9:31)
		7. PRODUCING FRUIT (Gal. 5:22-23)

- *How are the Baptism (Acts 1:5; 1 Cor. 12:12-13; Gal. 3:26-28) and Filling (Acts 2:4; Eph. 5:18) of the Spirit different?*
- *What evidence shows the church began in Acts 2 on the Day of Pentecost? (Acts 1:4-5; 2:4; 11:17-18; 5:11; Rom. 16:7)*
- *What does this indicate about the classic dispensational view of the beginning of the church vs. Reformed/Covenant theology, some Baptists, and Hyper-dispensationalism?*
- *What practical difference does all of this make for your Christian life and the church?*