RESULTS OF THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

1 Corinthians 12:13

Introduction: There are many doctrines, beliefs, issues and practices surrounding the Holy Spirit and especially the "baptism" part. Who is right? Is everybody correct in some area? To find the correct instructions, the correct doctrine, the correct viewpoint, what is right, what is wrong, one has but to go to the basic, the first source of information about the Holy Spirit in the first place and that is the Scriptures. The Scriptures are very clear, they are very plain but it is man who misuses, misunderstands, misapplies what the scriptures say to what he wants them to say in order to fit his wants and uses. Here are four scriptural TRUTHS concerning the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

I. THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IS NOT REGENERATION

- 1. Baptism of the Holy Spirit does not bring regeneration, it is not being saved (salvation) for the disciples were already saved before Pentecost (coming of the Holy Spirit). Pentecost did not bring salvation.
- 2. In regeneration, Jesus Christ comes into the heart and a person is "born again." (*Revelation 3:20*)
 "Let Jesus Come Into Your Heart" hymn
- 3. Salvation is letting Jesus into one's heart (*Galatians 3:27*) meaning to "clothe one's self". To be in Christ is like being in clothing and it is the Holy Spirit who puts the believer there.
- 4. John 14:20 The difference between regeneration and baptism by the Holy Spirit is "...I in you..." is regeneration and "...ye in me..." is baptism of the Holy Spirit.
- 5. *Ephesians 2:1* Salvation by the Holy Spirit gives life. Baptism by the Holy Spirit places the believer in new life in Jesus Christ. (*Romans 6:3-5*)
- 6. 2 Corinthians 5:17; John 1:12; Galatians 3:26; Romans 8:16-17
- 7. The believer is a child of God, a joint-heir with Christ, within the body of Jesus Christ.

II. THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IS NOT THE ANOINTING

- 1. *John 3:34* Most say that Jesus was baptized with the Holy Spirit at His baptism. NO! Jesus was ANOINTED.
- 2. Holy Spirit baptism is an ascention gift (*1 Corinthians 12:13*) to join the believer to Jesus Christ as Jesus was joined to His Heavenly Father.
- 3. Jesus Christ was ALREADY one with His Heavenly Father. (Luke 3:22)
- 4. To enter the priesthood according to Old Testament Law:
 - Had to be about 30 years old, washed in water, anointed with oil
 - Jesus Christ was washed (at baptism), anointed with the Holy Spirit (Dove), and set apart.
- 5. Baptism by the Holy Spirit is NOT Jesus Christ's sealing, it is not a continued indwelling, nor permanent filling.
- 6. There is only ONE baptism, but many fillings. There is NO command to be baptized by the Holy Spirit but there is a command to be filled.
- 7. Baptism by the Holy Spirit is NOT the filling that has been commanded.

III. BY HOLY SPIRIT BAPTISM, THE BELIEVER IS JOINED TO THE BODY OF CHRIST

- 1. 1 Corinthians 12:13; Romans 6:3-5; Galatians 3:27; Ephesians 4:5; Colossians 2:12; 1 Peter 3:21
- 2. The Holy Spirit baptizes the believer into the Church, the Body of Jesus Christ.
- 3. Never does the scripture say to be baptized into the Holy Spirit.
- 4. The Holy Spirit does the baptizing which is part of the mystery of God's Church.
- 5. The Church is Pictured as:
 - Revelation 21:9-10 The Bride of Christ
 - 1 Corinthians 3:11 A Living Building
 - Ephesians 1:22 The Body of Christ (Ephesians 5:23; 1 Corinthians 6:18
- 6. At the moment of salvation, the Holy Spirit joins the believer to Jesus Christ.
- 7. The believer is separated from his/her old life (old human sin nature) and joined to the body of Jesus Christ (new eternal spotless).

IV. BAPTISM BY THE HOLY SPIRIT IS UNIVERSAL IN ALL BELIEVERS

1. Galatians 3:26-27; 1 Corinthians 12:13

- 2. EVERY believer is baptized by the Holy Spirit.
- 3. Paul had to write some very strong words to the Corinthian Church for some were troubled, divided, disorderly, carnal, yet all had been baptized by the Holy Spirit. *(1 Corinthians 12:13)*
- 4. There is NO reason, no command or exhortation for believers to seek baptism again by the Holy Spirit.
 BELIEVERS ALREADY HAVE THE HOLY SPIRIT ALL OF HIM!
- 5. According to one's faith and yieldedness is the Holy Spirit visible.

CONCLUSION:

- 1. There are those who mistakenly teach, preach, believe that one must be baptized again and again and again by the Holy Spirit, every time one sins, etc. for that person who sinned has become lost again all of this is untrue, unscriptural and not of God.
- 2. When a person believes in Jesus Christ with all his/her heart and in all sincerity, he/she is immediately indwelt (baptized) permanently with the Holy Spirit.
- 3. Believers are commanded to be FILLED again and again, over and over with the Holy Spirit for them to be used in different duties and tasks for the Lord Jesus.
- 4. There is but one baptism of the Holy Spirit.