

# **5** Foundations

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**Session 1 - Repentance** 

The first four steps which God demands of us in the Gospel:

- 1) To \_\_\_\_\_
- 2) Put our \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus Christ
- 3) Be \_\_\_\_\_ in water
- 4) Receive the \_\_\_\_\_

Repentance is not \_\_\_\_\_\_.

"Let those who play at repentance remember that they who repent in mimicry shall go to hell in reality." - Charles Spurgeon

"Now after John was put in prison, Jesus came to Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel.'" (Mar 1:14-15)

"Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord," (Act 3:19)

"God commands all men everywhere to repent" (Acts 17:30)

Jesus cannot save the \_\_\_\_\_ - righteous.

"The Lord is not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance," (2 Pet 3:9).

"The GOODNESS of God leads you to repentance." (Rom 2:4)

*"There is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."* (Luke 15:10)

"I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance." (Mark 2:17)

"Repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations" (Luke 24:47)

Three facets of Biblical repentance.

- 1. A deeply felt \_\_\_\_\_ for sin.
- 2. An active \_\_\_\_\_\_ away from sinful conduct.
- 3. Turning toward \_\_\_\_\_, admitting to Him that it is against Him, our Creator and Judge, that we have sinned.

#### **Repentance involves a deeply felt regret for sin.**

"Mark well those tears. Those were no tears of sentimental emotion, but a rain of holy heart-sorrow for sin! She had been a sinner and she knew it; She remembered, well, her multitude of iniquities, and she felt each sin deserved a tear—and there she stood weeping herself away because she had offended her dear Lord!" - Charles Spurgeon (commenting on the sinful woman in Luke 7)

"The reality of our sins is acknowledged when specific confession is made ('I have done this ... and this ... and this!). Of course, such self-disclosure involves the swallowing of pride; to admit one has been in the wrong is never easy." - David Pawson

"Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank You that I am not like other men—extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.' And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted." (Luk 18:10-14)

"Were Jesus Christ only to accept us according to our works, our works would damn us, for we cannot so much as put up a prayer but it is far from that perfection which the moral law requires. I do not know what you may think, but I can say that I cannot pray without sinning -- I cannot preach to you or any others without sinning -- I can do nothing without sin; and, as someone expressed it, my repentance needs to be repented of, and my tears to be washed in the precious blood of my dear Redeemer. Our best duties are a display of splendid sins. Before you can speak peace in your heart, you must not only be made sick of your original and actual sin, but you must be made sick of your righteousness, of all your duties and performances. There must be a deep conviction before you can be brought out of your self-righteousness; it is the last idol taken out of our heart. The pride of our heart will not let us submit to the righteousness of Jesus Christ. But if you never felt that you had NO righteousness of your own, if you never felt the deficiency of your own righteousness, you cannot come to Jesus Christ." - George Whitefield

#### Repentance means turning away from sin.

"Repent, turn away from your idols, and turn your faces away from all your abominations." (Eze 14:6)

Repentance means "\_\_\_\_\_" from all our idols, "turning our faces away" from all that is sinful in our lives.

"Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? So Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. You know the commandments: 'DO NOT COMMIT ADULTERY,' 'DO NOT MURDER,' 'DO NOT STEAL,' 'DO NOT BEAR FALSE WITNESS,' 'HONOR YOUR FATHER AND YOUR MOTHER.' " And he said, "All these things I have kept from my youth." So when Jesus heard this, He said to him, "You still lack one thing. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." But when he heard this, the young man became very sorrowful, for he was very rich." (Luke 18:18-23) "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath which is coming? Therefore bear fruits worthy of repentance" ..... So the people asked him, saying, "What shall we do then?" He answered and said to them, "Whoever has two tunics, let him give to him who has none; and whoever has food, let him do likewise." Then tax collectors also came to be baptized, and said to him, "Teacher, what shall we do?" And he said to them, "Collect no more than what is appointed for you." (Luke 3:7-13)

"Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house..." Luk 19:8-10

Making restitution is not about \_\_\_\_\_ God's forgiveness, it's about bearing \_\_\_\_\_ worthy of repentance.

"Therefore, King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision, but declared first to those in Damascus and in Jerusalem, and throughout all the region of Judea, and then to the Gentiles, that they should repent, turn to God, and do works that demonstrate repentance." (Acts 26:19-20)

#### Repentance means turning to God.

Sin is against \_\_\_\_\_ personally.

*"Against you, you only, have I sinned and done what is evil in your sight."* (Psalm 51:4)

Repentance is not a self-help program for personal reform. It is not a commitment to be a better person in the future, in our own strength. Repentance is primarily turning back to God, wanting forgiveness from Him. Repentance is admitting that it is GOD we will face in judgement after death, that it is GOD who must forgive us, and that it is GOD we need to help us.

"I will arise and go to my father!" (Luke 15:18)

God is good! He is ready to \_\_\_\_\_.

### FOR PERSONAL REFLECTION

What might the Lord require you to stop and turn away from? What sinful things are you involved in? What things are you currently doing that you know the Lord disapproves of?

## Group Discussion Questions

What struck you in this session? What thoughts do you have?

If repentance truly is central to the gospel message, and is therefore part of the *"good* news," why do you think we find it difficult to preach and speak about?



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Session 2 - Faith

Salvation is by \_\_\_\_\_ alone.

"Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" (Acts 16:30)

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled." (Matt 5:6)

"Believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved, you and your household." (Acts 16:31)

Jesus told Nicodemus that there was a \_\_\_\_\_ of salvation by faith built into the story of Israel in the wilderness.

"Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and our soul loathes this worthless bread. So the LORD sent fiery serpents among the people (fiery, maybe because they were red in colour, or maybe because when they bit you it burned like fire), and they bit the people; and many of the people of Israel died. Therefore the people came to Moses, and said, "We have sinned, for we have spoken against the LORD and against you; pray to the LORD that He take away the serpents from us." So Moses prayed for the people. Then the LORD said to Moses, 'Make a fiery serpent, and set it on a pole; and it shall be that everyone who is bitten, when he LOOKS at it, shall live.' So Moses made a bronze serpent, and put it on a pole; and so it was, if a serpent had bitten anyone, when he looked at the bronze serpent, he lived." (Num 21:5-9)

"And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever BELIEVES in Him should not perish but have eternal life." Joh 3:14-15

\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus lifted up on the cross for you, taking your sin upon Himself, suffering in your place, look with faith and you will live!

Faith is the one thing which admits it's own \_\_\_\_\_\_.

"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast." (Eph 2:8-9)

#### **7 BIBLICAL CHARACTERISTICS OF SAVING FAITH**

#### Saving faith is:

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ faith
- 2. Belief in the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the events reported to us in the Gospels
- 3. \_\_\_\_\_ conviction of the relevance of those facts for \_\_\_\_\_ life
- 4. \_\_\_\_\_\_ oneself entirely to Jesus for forgiveness
- 5. \_\_\_\_\_
- 6. Life \_\_\_\_\_
- 7. Expresses itself \_\_\_\_\_\_ in different people

#### 1) Saving faith is repentant faith

True faith in Jesus is faith which \_\_\_\_\_\_ Him for who He really IS: the great \_\_\_\_\_ from sin.

"There is always in connection with true faith a thorough and deep sense that it is mercy, mercy alone, which saves us from the Wrath to come! Dear Hearer, do not deceive yourself! Faith and boasting are as opposite to one another as the two poles; if you come before Christ with your righteousness in your hands, you come without faith! And if you come with faith, you must also come with confession of sin—for true faith always walks hand in hand with a deep sense of guilt before the Most High. This is so in every case!"

- Charles Spurgeon

#### 2) It is belief in the historical truth of the events reported to us in the Gospels

"Faith cannot begin in a vacuum of knowledge."

- John Murray Professor of Systematic Theology at Westminster from 1930-1966

The Apostles always rooted their message in the \_\_\_\_\_\_ events which had recently taken place.

"We ought to obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised up Jesus whom you murdered by hanging on a tree. Him God has exalted to His right hand to be Prince and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And WE ARE HIS WITNESSES to THESE THINGS, and so also is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey Him." (Acts 5:29-32)

The Apostles witnessed to the facts that:

- 1. Jesus lived.
- 2. He died at the hands of the Jews.
- 3. He was crucified on a cross by the Romans.
- 4. He was raised from the dead on the third day.
- 5. He ascended into Heaven.

"Inasmuch as many have taken in hand to set in order a narrative of those things which have been fulfilled among us, just as those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word delivered them to us, it seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write to you an orderly account, most excellent Theophilus, that you may know the certainty of those things in which you were instructed." Luk 1:1-4

Luke was a \_\_\_\_\_.

The Apostles then also explained the _	 of these facts, as interpreted by
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"From the beginning, the Christian gospel, as indeed the name 'gospel' or 'good news' implies, consisted in an account of something that had happened. And from the beginning, the meaning of the happening was set forth; and when the meaning of the happening was set forth then there was Christian doctrine. 'Christ died'—that is history; 'Christ died for our sins'—that is doctrine. Without these two elements, joined in an absolutely indissoluble union, there is no Christianity... These two elements are always combined in the Christian message. The narration of the facts is history; the narration of the facts with the meaning of the facts is doctrine. (and then he quotes the Apostles Creed to illustrate his point) 'Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried'—that is history. 'He loved me and gave Himself for me'—that is doctrine. Such was the Christianity of the primitive Church."

- John Gresham Machen

- "Why Trust the Bible" by Greg Gilbert link to purchase on Amazon: <u>https://www.amazon.com/dp/143354346X/</u>
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## 3) Saving faith involves a personal conviction of the relevance of those facts for one's own life

"The life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me." (Gal 2:20)

"While this man was describing the change which God works in the heart through faith in Christ, I felt my heart strangely warmed. I felt I did trust in Christ, Christ alone for salvation; and an assurance was given me that He had taken away MY sins, even mine, and saved ME from the law of sin and death."

- John Wesley

#### 4) Faith is entrusting oneself entirely to Jesus for forgiveness

To be saved you must \_\_\_\_\_\_ to depend on Jesus to save you.

#### 5) Faith is verbal

*"If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved."* (Romans 10:9-10)

\_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus, out loud if you can. Tell Him you believe. Tell Him you're sorry. Ask Him to forgive you.

"Whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." (Rom 10:13)

Out of the heart the \_\_\_\_\_\_. We believe, therefore we speak.

"Whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven." (Matt 10:32)

#### 6) Faith is life transforming

James uses two illustrations of this in his epistle:

- 1. Abraham's being willing to \_\_\_\_\_\_ Isaac. (See James 2:21)
- 2. Rahab the prostitute in Jericho's \_\_\_\_\_\_ the Israelite spies. (See James 2:25)

Genuine faith does not \_\_\_\_\_ back.

#### 7) Faith expresses itself differently in different people

Choose one or two words to describe how the following people expressed their faith:

- The sinful women who wiped Jesus' feet with her hair: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
- Blind Bartimaeus: \_\_\_\_\_\_
- The dying thief: \_\_\_\_\_\_
- The paralysed man whose friends carried Him to Jesus: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_
- Nicodemus: \_\_\_\_\_\_
- The man born blind: \_\_\_\_\_\_
- The Samaritan woman: \_\_\_\_\_\_
- Zacchaeus: \_\_\_\_\_\_

## Group Discussion Questions

What struck you in this session? What thoughts do you have?

How do you feel about "altar calls"? What do you think is the best way for churches (or your church) to call people to salvation? Is the "sinner's prayer" sufficient, or do you think churches have a responsibility to "shepherd" people who respond to the gospel into a more substantial experience (like this **5 Foundations** course)?



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Session 3 - Water Baptism

The Greek word for "baptise" is  $\beta \alpha \pi \tau i \zeta \omega$  ("bap-tid'-zo"), which means \_\_\_\_\_,

\_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_.

*"John came baptizing in the wilderness and preaching a baptism of repentance for the remission of sins."* (Mark 1:4)

*"Permit it to be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness."* (Matt 3:15)

"After these things Jesus and His disciples came into the land of Judea, and there He remained with them and baptized." (John 3:22)

Baptism played a major role in the ministries of \_\_\_\_\_\_ the Baptist , \_\_\_\_\_\_ Himself, and the \_\_\_\_\_\_ after Jesus had ascended into Heaven.

"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit..." (Matt 28:19)

"He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned." (Mark 16:16)

Baptism is sometimes called an "\_\_\_\_\_" of the church, because it was "ordained" by Jesus (i.e. it was commanded by Him).

When the Apostles began their ministry water baptism played a major role in not just their *practice*, but also in their \_\_\_\_\_\_. They *told* people that God demanded of them to be baptised.

"Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." (Acts 2:38)

"But when they believed Philip as he preached the things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, both men and women were baptized." (Acts 8:12).

"Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning at this Scripture, preached Jesus to him. As they went down the road, they came to some water. And the eunuch said, "See, here is water. What hinders me from being baptized?" Then Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And he answered and said, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God." So he commanded the chariot to stand still. And both Philip and the eunuch went down into the water, and he baptized him." (Acts 8:35-38)

When must you be baptised?

"And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord.'" (Acts 22:16)

When Peter realised that God had saved the Gentiles in Cornelius's house by faith, his very first words were this:

"Can anyone forbid \_\_\_\_\_\_, that these should not be \_\_\_\_\_\_ who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord." (Acts 10:48-49)

#### Paul in Philippi:

"The Lord opened Lydia's heart to heed the things spoken by Paul. And when she and her household were baptized, she begged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come to my house and stay." (Acts 16:15-16)

#### Paul with the Philippian jailor:

"'Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household.' Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. And the jailer took them the same hour of the night and washed their stripes. And immediately he and all his family were baptized." (Acts 16:31-33)

Luke's summary of Paul's ministry in Corinth:

"Many of the Corinthians, hearing, believed and were baptized." (Acts 18:8)

Baptism is the full immersion of a repentant believer in water as part of their initial entrance into the Christian life.

#### IN BAPTISM WHO IS DOING WHAT?

In baptism \_\_\_\_\_\_ is doing something, the \_\_\_\_\_\_ is doing something, and \_\_\_\_\_\_ (the baptised individual) are doing something.

#### The baptised person

Baptism is the way a new believer publicly \_\_\_\_\_ him or herself to Christ and Christ's people.

"Baptism is how you go on record as a Christian. It's how you publicly profess your faith in and submission to the Lord Jesus Christ." (Bobby Jamieson, Understanding Baptism)

"Therefore, everyone who will acknowledge Me before men, I will also acknowledge him before My Father in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny him before My Father in heaven." (Matt. 10:32–33)

#### The church

When the church baptises a new believer, we are affirming that we accept this person as \_\_\_\_\_.

#### God

By the powerful activity of God in baptism, baptism functions as a **bath** and it functions as a **burial**.

"And now why are you waiting? Arise and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord.'" (Acts 22:16)

"The Divine longsuffering waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water. There is also an antitype which now saves us—baptism (not the removal of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God), through the resurrection of Jesus Christ," (1 Pet 3:20-21)

God uses the waters of baptism to wash the past away in a very real and \_\_\_\_\_ way.

Baptism is a "\_\_\_\_\_ of grace."

"Baptism is a means of exhibiting great and important truths in an impressive manner to the soul; it is a means of leading the soul to an entire dedication to a God of purity; it is a means through which God manifests himself to the soul, and through which he imparts grace, as he does in all other acts of obedience to his commandments."

(Albert Barnes)

"Baptism is given as a something to rest upon; nay, as a something without which redemption would soon become unreal; which converts a doctrine into a reality, which realises visibly what is invisible. For our nature is such that immaterial truths are unreal to us until they are embodied in material form. (For example) God's character—HIs way, God Himself—to us would be nothing if it were not for the creation, which is the great symbol and sacrament of His presence. So baptism is a fact for man to rest upon, a doctrine realised to flesh and blood."

(Preachers' Homiletical Commentary)

Baptism is a bath which washes the \_\_\_\_\_ clean.

Baptism as a burial

"Do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." (**Rom 6:3-4**)

When you are baptised, by faith you are \_\_\_\_\_\_ with Jesus, being united with Him in His death as you go down into the water, dying to your old life, and you are then \_\_\_\_\_\_ with Jesus to newness of life as you are brought up out of the waters.

"Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God. **And such were some of you. But you were washed**..." (1 Cor 6:9-11)

"I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh **I live by faith** in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me!" **(Gal 2:20)** 

In baptism the Holy Spirit SEALS the truth to you that the old you is \_\_\_\_\_.

The old you needs a decent \_\_\_\_\_\_ because salvation is not just about \_\_\_\_\_\_ you've done, it's about \_\_\_\_\_\_ you are.

#### THE PRACTICALITIES OF YOUR BAPTISM

There should be a \_\_\_\_\_\_ interchange between the the baptiser and the person being baptised:

"With the mouth confession is made unto salvation" (Rom 10:10)

"Be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the name of the Lord." (Acts 22:16)

### **Examples of typical questions at baptism**

**QUESTION:** "Do you renounce Satan and all occultic activity?" **ANSWER:** "Yes, I renounce Satan and the occult."

**QUESTION:** "Do you now turn away from your sin?" **ANSWER:** "Yes, I do now turn from my sin."

**QUESTION:** "Do you put your faith in Christ entirely for the forgiveness of your sins?" **ANSWER:** "Yes, I do trust in Christ alone."

**QUESTION:** "Will you follow Jesus as LORD?" **ANSWER:** "Yes, I will follow Jesus my Lord."

"In the name of Father, Son and Holy Spirit we baptise you into the Lord Jesus, into his death, his burial and his resurrection."

## Group Discussion Questions

What struck you in this session? What thoughts do you have? Has your understanding of baptism changed after watching this session?

Have you been baptised? If yes, tell the story of how it happened and what it meant to you. If no, tell the group how you feel about being baptised after watching this session?



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Session 4 - Receiving the Holy Spirit

Whereas water baptism deals with your \_\_\_\_\_, there is also something God wants to give you that will \_\_\_\_\_ you for the \_\_\_\_\_!

"Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit". (Acts 2:38)

**Q:** How did the crowd know what Peter meant when he said, "You shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit?"

- 1. They had just \_\_\_\_\_\_ the Holy Spirit's falling upon the disciples and heard them *"speaking in our own languages the wonderful works of God."*
- 2. Peter had just \_\_\_\_\_\_ to them from the Old Testament what this outpouring of the Spirit was all about.

"When the day of Pentecost arrived, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine." But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: "'And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy." (Acts 2:1-18)

Peter said that the Baptism in the Holy Spirit, together with the miraculous abilities it would bring to people, was \_\_\_\_\_ by the prophets of the Old Testament.

Joel had predicted that there was coming a day when \_\_\_\_\_ God's people would be empowered by the Spirit.

The New Testament then opens with the same prediction. The only words of John the Baptist to be recorded by all four of the gospel writers were these:

"I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance," said John, "but He who is coming after me (referring to Jesus) is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. **He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit**."

(Matt 3:11; Mark 1:8; Luke 3:16; John 1:33)

\_\_\_\_\_ Himself also predicted this:

"And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever— the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you." (John 14:16-17)

"Being assembled together with His disciples, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me; for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."" (Acts 1:4-5)

Pentecost was only the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the outpouring of the Spirit:

*"The promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call."* (Acts 2:39)

#### BAPTISMS IN THE SPIRIT THROUGHOUT THE BOOK OF ACTS

#### **Philip Preaching In Samaria**

"Then Philip went down to the city of Samaria and preached Christ to them. And the multitudes with one accord heeded the things spoken by Philip, hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. For unclean spirits, crying with a loud voice, came out of many who were possessed; and many who were paralyzed and lame were healed. And there was great joy in that city. But there was a certain man called Simon, who previously practiced sorcery in the city and astonished the people of Samaria, claiming that he was someone great, to whom they all gave heed, from the least to the greatest, saying, "This man is the great power of God." And they heeded him because he had astonished them with his sorceries for a long time. But when they believed Philip as he preached the things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, both men and women were baptized. Then Simon himself also believed; and when he was baptized he continued with Philip, and was amazed, seeing the miracles and signs which were done. Now when the apostles who were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, who, when they had come down, prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit. For as yet He had fallen upon none of them. They had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit. And when Simon saw that through the laying on of the apostles' hands the Holy Spirit was given, he offered them money, saying, "Give me this power also, that anyone on whom I lay hands may receive the Holy Spirit." But Peter said to him, "Your money perish with you, because you thought that **the gift of God** could be purchased with money! You have neither part nor portion in this matter, for your heart is not right in the sight of God. Repent therefore of this your wickedness, and pray God if perhaps the thought of your heart may be forgiven you. For I see that you are poisoned by bitterness and bound by iniquity." Then Simon answered and said, "Pray to the Lord for me, that none of the things which you have spoken may come upon me."" (Act 8:5-24)

The Samaritans were \_\_\_\_\_\_ converted when they received the Spirit.

1) How did the Apostles know that the Holy Spirit had not fallen on these people yet?

**2)** Why did the Apostles immediately pray for them that they might receive the Spirit?

#### Peter Preaching At Cornelius's House

"'All the prophets witness to Jesus that, through His name, whoever believes in Him will receive remission of sins.' While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who heard the word. And those of the circumcision who believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also. For they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God. Then Peter answered, 'Can anyone forbid water, that these should not be baptized who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?' And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then they asked him to stay a few days." (Acts 10:43-48)

The prophecy of Joel was not just for the \_\_\_\_\_ but was for \_\_\_\_\_ nation, and it would continue to the end of the age.

"And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them, as upon us at the beginning. Then I remembered the word of the Lord, how He said, 'John indeed baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If therefore God gave them the same gift as He gave us when we believed on the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could withstand God?" (Acts 11:15-17)

Peter called the baptism in the Holy Spirit a "\_\_\_\_\_"

#### **Paul Encountering Some Disciples In Ephesus**

"And it happened, while Apollos was at Corinth, that Paul, having passed through the upper regions, came to Ephesus. And finding some disciples he said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" So they said to him, "We have not heard that the Holy Spirit is given." (compare with John 7:39) And he said to them, "Into what then were you baptized?" So they said, "Into John's baptism." Then Paul said, "John indeed baptized with a baptism of repentance, saying to the people that they should believe on Him who would come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus." When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke with tongues and prophesied. Now the men were about twelve in all." (Acts 19:1-7)

### 4 THINGS TO NOTICE FROM ACTS 19:1-7:

**FIRST**: Paul was \_\_\_\_\_\_ concerned that they should be baptised in the Holy Spirit.

**SECOND**: Paul assumed that if they had received the Spirit already they would have \_\_\_\_\_\_ about it!

**THIRD**: The link between Spirit baptism and \_\_\_\_\_ baptism.

**FOURTH**: The \_\_\_\_\_\_ manifestations of the baptism in the Spirit: tongues and prophesy.

The word used for "tongues" in the Greek New Testament simply means "\_\_\_\_\_\_." So the gift of tongues is the gift to be able to speak a *language* which you've never been taught.

Most of the time the language you receive is not to be used in \_\_\_\_\_\_. It is a Spirit-given, heavenly language which by-passes your \_\_\_\_\_\_ but by which you miraculously pray for things which are good for you.

"For he who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God, for no one understands him; however, in the spirit he speaks mysteries." (1 Cor 14:2) And this gift was so precious to Paul that he said, "I thank my God that I speak in tongues more than you all!"

We should all desire is to \_\_\_\_\_.

To prophesy means speaking the words of God as He gives them to you \_\_\_\_\_\_ and supernaturally.

The baptism in the Spirit often happens through the laying on of \_\_\_\_\_\_.

The baptism in the Spirit gives you an \_\_\_\_\_\_ of your salvation.

"Because you are sons, God has sent forth the Spirit of His Son into your hearts, crying out, "Abba (daddy), Father!" (Gal 4:6)

"This is how we know that he lives in us: We know it by the Spirit he gave us." (1 John 3:24b)

"God has has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee." (2 Cor 1:22)

"Having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession." (Eph 1:13-14)

The baptism in the Spirit will give you \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to be a witness for the gospel.

"Then Jesus, **being filled with the Holy Spirit**, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness... Then Jesus returned **in the power of the Spirit** to Galilee, and news of Him went out through all the surrounding region. And He taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all." **(Luke 4:1, 14-15)** 

"God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, and He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him." (Acts 10:38)

"Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but wait in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high." (Luke 24:49) "You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you." (Acts 1:8)

You can I receive this gift by \_\_\_\_\_.

"So I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. If a son asks for bread from any father among you, will he give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent instead of a fish? Or if he asks for an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!" (Luke 11:9-13)

## Group Discussion Questions

What struck you in this session? What thoughts do you have?

Have you been baptised in the Holy Spirit? If yes, how do you *know*? Tell the story of how it happened. If no, do you desire this gift? Explain how you feel about it now.



## **5** Foundations

The first teachings about Christ that lead on to maturity

### PARTICIPANT WORKBOOK

Session 5 - Resurrection of the Dead and Eternal Judgment

The Bible's teaching about the future concerns both:

- 8. What happens to you as an \_\_\_\_\_\_ when you die, AND...
- 9. What happens generally to the whole \_\_\_\_\_\_ and the entire \_\_\_\_\_\_ at the consummation of history.

#### THE NATURE OF DEATH

The Bible actually speaks of two deaths that an individual can die: the "\_\_\_\_\_ death" and the "\_\_\_\_\_ death").

"He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit says to the churches. He who overcomes shall not be hurt by **the second death**." (Rev 2:11)

"Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy **both soul and body in hell**." (Matt 10:28)

"Blessed and holy is he who has part in the first resurrection. Over such **the second** *death* has no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him..." (**Rev 20:6**)

"Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is **the second death**. And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire." **(Rev 20:14-15)** 

"He who overcomes shall inherit all things, and I will be his God and he shall be My son. But the cowardly, unbelieving, abominable, murderers, sexually immoral, sorcerers, idolaters, and all liars shall have their part in the lake which burns with fire and brimstone, which is **the second death**." (**Rev 21:8**)

The first death is the death of the \_\_\_\_\_, not of the soul. It is a \_\_\_\_\_\_ separation of the soul from the body, and it is the universal experience of every human being.

"Then the dust will return to the earth as it was, and the spirit will return to God who gave it." (Ecc 12:7)

The second death is an \_\_\_\_\_\_ separation of the re-united soul/body of unbelievers from \_\_\_\_\_.

#### THE BIBLICAL NATURE OF DEATH

#### 'Death' is not extinction or annihilation, it is SEPARATION:

- The first death is separation of body *from* soul (a temporary state).
- The second death is the separation of body-and-soul *from* GOD (an eternal state).

**The evolutionary view:** Death is therefore seen to be perfectly \_\_\_\_\_.

The Biblical view: Death is God's \_\_\_\_\_\_ of sin.

"Of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die." (Gen. 2:17)

"In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; For dust you are, and to dust you shall return." (Gen 3:19).

Death came into the world through \_\_\_\_\_'s sin because death is the judgment of sin, it is the punishment for sin.

"Through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned." (Rom 5:12)

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (Rom 6:23)

*"For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive."* **(1 Cor. 15:21-22)** 

Sin caused not just *spiritual* death, but \_\_\_\_\_\_ death. This is why our Saviour had to come in a physical \_\_\_\_\_\_ and suffer in that body and die a physical death on our behalf, because He was taking our \_\_\_\_\_\_ upon Himself.

"A Prayer Of Moses the Man of God. LORD, You have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever You had formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, You are God. You turn man to destruction, and say, "Return, O children of men." For a thousand years in Your sight are like yesterday when it is past, and like a watch in the night. You carry them away like a flood; They are like a sleep. In the morning they are like grass which grows up: In the morning it flourishes and grows up; In the evening it is cut down and withers. For we have been consumed by Your anger, and by Your wrath we are terrified. You have set our iniquities before You, our secret sins in the light of Your countenance. For all our days have passed away in Your wrath; We finish our years like a sigh. The days of our lives are seventy years; And if by reason of strength they are eighty years, yet their boast is only labor and sorrow; For it is soon cut off, and we fly away. Who knows the power of Your anger? For as the fear of You, so is Your wrath. So teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom." (Psa 90:1-12)

In 1 Cor 15 Paul calls death "the \_\_\_\_\_" (see v 26).

"So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: "DEATH IS SWALLOWED UP IN VICTORY." "O DEATH, WHERE IS YOUR STING? O HADES, WHERE IS YOUR VICTORY?" The sting of death is sin and the strength of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." (1 Cor 15:54-57)

#### THE GLORIFICATION OF THE SAINTS

After death you will be \_\_\_\_\_\_ and with the Lord.

"Today you will be with Me in Paradise." (Luke 23:43)

"We are confident, yes, well pleased rather to be absent from the body and to be present with the Lord." (2 Cor 5:8)

"The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs--heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be **glorified** together. For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the **glory** which shall be revealed in us." (Rom 8:16-18)

The future state of "glory" will be a \_\_\_\_\_\_ state.

*"For we who are in this tent groan, being burdened, not because we want to be unclothed, but further clothed, that mortality may be swallowed up by life."* **(2 Cor 5:4)** 

"For our citizenship is in heaven, from which we also eagerly wait for the Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body that it may be conformed to His glorious body, according to the working by which He is able even to subdue all things to Himself." (Phil 3:20-21)

*"The body is sown in corruption, it is raised in incorruption. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power."* **(1 Cor 15:42-43)** 

"For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus. For this we say to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive and remain until the coming of the Lord will by no means precede those who are asleep. For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words." (1 Thess 4:14-18)

"Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed— in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed." (1 Cor 15: 51-52)

"Because you have heeded the voice of your wife, and have eaten from the tree of which I commanded you, saying, 'You shall not eat of it': Cursed is the ground for your sake; In toil you shall eat of it all the days of your life. Both thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you, and you shall eat the herb of the field. In the sweat of your face you shall eat bread till you return to the ground, for out of it you were taken; For dust you are, and to dust you shall return." (Gen 3:17-19) The corruption of the physical creation is \_\_\_\_\_\_ through the redemption of man, just as it became corrupt through the corruption of man.

"For the earnest expectation of the creation eagerly waits for the revealing of the sons of God. For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God." (Rom 8:19-21)

"But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up. Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness, looking for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be dissolved, being on fire, and the elements will melt with fervent heat? Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells." (2 Pet 3:10-13)

The Bible says that no one knows when Jesus will return, but that we must be \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ with our Master's work.

#### The second coming of Christ will be:

- 1. A \_\_\_\_\_ coming.
- 2. A \_\_\_\_\_ coming.
- 3. A \_\_\_\_\_ coming.

"Therefore if they say to you, 'Look, He is in the desert!' do not go out; or 'Look, He is in the inner rooms!' do not believe it. For as the lightning comes from the east and flashes to the west, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be...then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the Son of Man coming on the clouds of heaven with power and great glory." (Matt 24:26-27, 30)

4. A \_\_\_\_\_\_ coming.

"Therefore you also be ready," said Jesus, "for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect." (Matt 24:44)

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"Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory." (Luke 21:27)

Jesus said,

"The hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear My voice and come forth—those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation." (John 5:28-29)

#### THE FINAL JUDGMENT

\_\_\_\_ must be sought during this bodily life.

"It is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment." (Heb 9:27)

The final judgment will be entirely \_\_\_\_\_ — every person who has ever lived will be judged.

"For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive the things done in the body, according to what he has done, whether good or bad." (2 **Cor 5:10**)

"The Bible clearly teaches that God will bring every soul and every thought, word, and deed into judgment. In addition to Scripture, the human heart somehow instinctively recognises that every wrong must be righted; every evil punished, every good rewarded before the whole scope of history can at last peacefully fold up its scroll and march into the endless reaches of eternity."

- Doug Kelly

The coming judgment is somehow written on the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of all men.

"(People know) the righteous judgment of God, that those who practice [wicked] things are deserving of death." (Rom 1:32)

The morality of that law is written on the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of EVERY human being.

"For as many as have sinned without law will also perish without law, and as many as have sinned in the law will be judged by the law" (Rom 2:12)

\_\_\_\_\_ Himself will be the judge.

"[God] now commands all men everywhere to repent, because He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained. He has given assurance of this to all by raising Him from the dead." (Acts 17:31)

"I charge you therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: Preach the word!" (2 Tim 4:1-2a)

"In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also." (John 14:2-3)

"We shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is." (1 John 3:2)

## Group Discussion Questions

What struck you in this session? What thoughts do you have?

Before watching this session how had you pictured life after the grave? How has your view changed since watching this sessions? What are you most looking forward to in heaven?