THE TOOL BOX

Today we begin a new series on the subject of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit… this will also serve as an extension of our prayer series as we talk about the importance of prayer in the Spirit.

In John 3 Jesus is asked to describe the Holy Spirit...

**John 3:8** The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. (NIV)

Today… I want to talk to you about the baptism in the Holy Spirit

**Acts 2:1- 4** – On the day of Pentecost all the believers were meeting together in one place. 2 Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting. 3 Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. 4 And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability. (NLT)

This is what is commonly called in Christian circles as the Baptism in the Holy Spirit

- The coming of the Holy spirit upon the life of believers…. Led to 3000 people being saved that day

The first thing I want you to know about the baptism in the Holy Spirit is:

The gift that we receive is **not tongues**, the gift we receive is **is the Holy Spirit**
Acts 2:4 …everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability. (NLT)

- Filled with the Holy Spirit
- They spoke in languages … As The Holy Spirit gave them utterance

Q Why languages? To reach people for Jesus

Acts 2:5-12 Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. 6 When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. 7 Utterly amazed, they asked: "Are not all these men who are speaking Galileans? 8 Then how is it that each of us hears them in his own native language?...— we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" 12 Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?" (NIV)

- The Holy Spirit was the gift … the tool needed was multiple languages… sent a message glorifying God… led to 3000 being saved

TCC - This is not called the baptism in tongues…. Baptism in the Holy Spirit

People say: I have this gift or that Gift… We do not have any specific gift, what we have is the Holy Spirit, and HE HAS EVERY GIFT in His tool box.

1 Cor 12:1-11-Now about spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be ignorant... 4 There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. 5 There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. 6 There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men. 7 Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. 8 To one there is given through the Spirit the message of wisdom, to another the message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, 9 to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, 10 to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he gives them to each one, just as he determines. (NIV)
The next thing I want you to know about this great gift of the Holy Spirit is:

**Jesus is the one who gives the Holy Spirit to us!!**

**Matt 3:11** - "I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. (NIV)

Jesus baptizes us with the Holy Spirit!! Yes we have salvation in His name and by His blood and now he baptizes us in the Holy Spirit!!

Jesus said…
- I am going away but when the Holy Spirit comes he will be in you and with you!!
- the Holy Spirit will lead us into all truth
- we will be infused with power when the Holy Spirit comes upon us
- when the Holy Spirit comes he will testify of me
- when the Holy Spirit comes He will intercede through us when we do not know what to pray for

We can be born of the Spirit… filled with… empowered by… given supernatural gifts… led by the spirit… walk in the fruit of the Spirit… warned by Him protected by Him… it never ends!!

**The Holy Spirit is: … He is the whole package**

- Holy Spirit (96x)
- Spirit of the Lord (28x)
- Spirit of God (26x)
- Eternal Spirit (Heb 9:14)
- Helper (4x By Jesus in the gospels)
- Comforter
- Holy One (Psm 78:41)
- The Lord (2 Cor 3:17)
- Spirit of Truth (4x)
- Spirit of Christ (2x)
- Spirit of Jesus Christ (Phil 1:19)
- Spirit Of Counsel (Isa 11:2)
- Spirit of Knowledge (Isa 11:2)
- Spirit of Might (Isa 11:2)
- Spirit of Understanding (Isa 11:2)
- Spirit of Wisdom (Isa 11:2)
- Spirit of the Fear of the Lord (Isa 11:2)
- Spirit of Your Father (Mt 10:20)
- Spirit of Glory (1 Pet 4:14)
- Spirit of Grace (2x)
- Spirit of Judgment (Isa 4:4)
- Spirit of Burning (Isa 4:4)
- Spirit of Life (Rom 8:2)
- Spirit of Love (2 Tim 1:7)
- Spirit of Power (2 Tim 1:7)
- Spirit of a sound mind (2 Tim 1:7)
- Spirit of Prophecy (Rev 19:10)
- Spirit of Revelation (Eph 1:17)
- Spirit of Holiness (Rom 4:1)
- Spirit of the Holy God (4x in Daniel)
- And /yes 1 Cor 12…. 9 gifting’s of the Holy Spirit

**TCC- makes no mistake…. He is the Gift**

**Luke 11:13** – So if you sinful people 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. (NLT)