

# Brief Description Of The Holy Spirit Work In The Life Of The Believer

(Part 2)

If the believer fail to respond to the seal of the Holy Spirit that he received from God and His work in him, then that will result in no growth in his life. The believer will be dry and even spiritually dead. Some of the following can also be applied and described that spiritual condition:

**1- Grieve the Holy Spirit:** The Holy Spirit can be grieved by sin and the flesh work in your life as we can read in *“<sup>29</sup>Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen. <sup>30</sup>And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. <sup>31</sup>Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice.”* (Ephesians 4:29-31)

**2-Envied the Holy Spirit:** The Holy Spirit can be envied by worldliness and loving the world, *“<sup>4</sup>You adulterous people, don’t you know that friendship with the world is hatred toward God? Anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God. <sup>5</sup>Or do you think Scripture says without reason that the spirit he caused to live in us envies intensely?”* (James 4:4-5)

**3-Lie to the Holy Spirit:** We meet this term lie to the Holy Spirit when Peter confronted Ananias and his wife Sapphira when they kept part of the money for them and brought the rest to Peter as we can read in *Acts 5:1-4 “Now a man named Ananias, together with his wife Sapphira, also sold a piece of property. <sup>2</sup>With his wife’s full knowledge he kept back part of the money for himself, but brought the rest and put it at the apostles’ feet. <sup>3</sup>Then Peter said, “Ananias, how is it that Satan has so filled your heart that you have lied to the Holy Spirit and have kept for yourself some of the money you received for the land? <sup>4</sup>Didn’t it belong to you before it was sold? And after it was sold, wasn’t the money at your disposal? What made you think of doing such a thing? You have not lied to men but to God.”* When you lie to the pastor or the Leader of the church who cares for you, you are lying to the Holy Spirit.

**4- Insult the Holy Spirit:** You insult the Holy Spirit when you sin deliberately against God and trampled on Jesus as we can read in *Hebrews 10:26-31 “<sup>26</sup>If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, <sup>27</sup>but only a fearful expectation of judgment and of raging fire that will consume the enemies of God. <sup>28</sup>Anyone who rejected the law of Moses died without mercy on the testimony of two or three witnesses. <sup>29</sup>How much more severely do you think a man deserves to be punished who has trampled the Son of God under foot, who has treated as an unholy thing the blood of the covenant that sanctified him, and who has insulted the Spirit of grace? <sup>30</sup>For we know him who said, “It is mine to avenge; I will repay,” and again, “The Lord will judge his people.” <sup>31</sup>It is a dreadful thing to fall into the hands of the living God.”*

If the Believer prove to be faithful to the Lord and to the seal of the Holy Spirit that he received upon his conversion by reproducing the fruit of the Holy Spirit and got sanctified then he is qualified to receive more blessings of God and that blessing is what is called according to the Bible the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.

In the book of Acts when Jesus met his disciples after His resurrection He promised His disciples the Baptism of the Holy Spirit: *“<sup>4</sup>On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: “Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. <sup>5</sup>For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”* (Acts 1:4-5) The term Baptized with the Holy Spirit is to be filled with the Holy Spirit, you are immersed in the Holy Spirit and the Holy Spirit is overflowing from you.

To be baptized with the Holy Spirit we can symbolize that with the following: If for example we consider the believer is a cup and the Holy Spirit is water, then the work of the Holy Spirit in the life of believer at this stage is like to fill the cup with water and allow the water to overflow out of the cup and fall in the surroundings.

The value of the baptism with the Holy Spirit to the believer is as the following:

**1- To receive Power:** As Jesus said to His disciples, *“<sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”* (Acts 1:8) The Holy Spirit is God and to be filled with the Holy Spirit means God is in you and you have the power of God to do the work of God. The disciples before they were baptized with the Holy Spirit truly they were living in obedience to God and to the Scripture, but they could not face the world and the persecution that was raging against them; they were hiding and secluded in closed doors because they didn’t yet have the power to face that. Those who are living in full obedience we call them fully committed to the Lord, but still they need to be baptized with the Holy Spirit.

**2- To receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit:** The baptism of the Holy Spirit will enable you to receive the gifts of the Holy Spirit. The gifts of the Holy Spirit are the following: message of wisdom, message of knowledge, gift of faith, healing, miraculous power, gifts of prophecy, distinguishing between spirits, speaking in different kinds of tongues and interpretation of tongues, serving, teaching, exhorting, giving and sharing, governing, leading, administrating, showing mercy, the fivefold gifts of ministry within the church, and you can read about these gifts in *I Corinthians 12:8-11, Romans 12:3-8 and Ephesians 4:11.* Jesus said to His disciples in *John 14:12 “<sup>12</sup>I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.”* You will be able to do the same work of Jesus when you will receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit. So no more you are working but God is working through you.

**My Dear and Beloved:** Endeavour to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Live a life of obedience because God gives the Holy Spirit to those who obey Him, *“We are witnesses of these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.”* (Acts 5:32) And earnestly plead and ask God to fill you, *“If you then, though you are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”* (Luke 11:13)

**My prayer:** Father God I come before you in the name of Jesus who died on the cross for my sins to give me eternal life. Lord I kneel down at your feet, I ask you Lord to fill me with your Holy Spirit. I really desire to serve you and live my life to you. Baptize me dear Lord with The Holy Spirit, this all I ask and pray in Jesus name Amen.