



Key References:

John 3:3–6 (ESV)

³ Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” ⁴ Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother’s womb and be born?” ⁵ Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. ⁶ That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.

Luke 3:16 (ESV)

¹⁶ John answered them all, saying, “I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

Luke 24:49 (ESV)

⁴⁹ And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

Acts 1:8 (ESV)

⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

If you have questions about the Baptism of The Holy Spirit, please don't hesitate to contact Oceanside's Eldership Team via info@oceansidechurch.ca or by reaching out personally to a team member

1 – A spiritual birth

Salvation is often described simply as “believing that Jesus is Lord”. Does Jesus in John 3:3-6 put an extra condition on salvation?

What new spiritual attributes come to a person when they are born again? Read 2 Corinthians 5:17 & Galatians 5:22–24

2 – Jesus & the Holy Spirit

In Luke 4:1 & Luke 4:14-15 we see Jesus is “full of the Holy Spirit”. Is it possible for you and I to be filled to the same degree?

Why did Jesus need the Holy Spirit particularly in John 4? Have you ever felt a higher presence of the Holy Spirit when you've been facing trials?

Of the things Jesus did in Luke 4, which of them has God also called us to do? Can we do these same things without being filled with the Holy Spirit?

Read Luke 24:47-49. Jesus tells his disciples to wait until they were “clothed with power from on high.” What was Jesus referring to?

3 – Born again vs. baptism of the Holy Spirit

Using your testimony can you describe what Baptism of The Spirit is?

Is there a difference between being “born of the Spirit” (John 3) and the baptism of the Holy Spirit?

“The Baptism of the Holy Spirit represents the first-time that you are filled with the Holy Spirit.” Is this statement correct?

4 – Filled for a task

The following verses show when the Holy Spirit filled people. Acts 4:8, Acts 4:31, Acts 6:10, Acts 9:17, Acts 11:24, Acts 13:9. Examine how in each one the Holy Spirit came upon them to carry out a specific task.

We all desire to be filled with the Holy Spirit. Is there a task that you would like to ask God to fill you for?

How can we ask to be filled with the Holy Spirit?