

## Are you Thirsty?

What are you willing to drink to quench your thirst?

[Jhn 4:10 KJV] 10 Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water.

### Don't be filled up with evil.

[Rom 1:29 KJV] 29 Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers,

**Text:** [Jhn 7:37-39 KJV] 37 In the last day, that great [day] of the feast, Jesus stood and cried, saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink. 38 He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. 39 (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet [given]; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

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## We all have the Holy Spirit within us

[Eph 1:13-14 KJV] 13 In whom ye also [trusted], after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, 14 Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.

[Eph 1:13-14 NLT] 13 And now you Gentiles have also heard the truth, the Good News that God saves you. And when you believed in Christ, he identified you as his own by giving you the Holy Spirit, whom he promised long ago. 14 The Spirit is God's guarantee that he will give us the inheritance he promised and that he has purchased us to be his own people. He did this so we would praise and glorify him.

[1Co 3:16-17 KJV] 16 Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and [that] the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? 17 If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which [temple] ye are.

[1Co 3:16-17 NLT] 16 Don't you realize that all of you together are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God lives in you? 17 God will destroy anyone who destroys this temple. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

## Jesus After the Resurrection

[Jhn 20:21-22 KJV] 21 Then said Jesus to them again, Peace [be] unto you: as [my] Father hath sent me, even so send I you. 22 And when he had said this, he breathed on [them], and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:

“The Greek word is the same as used by the LXX in those two pregnant phrases of the O.T., viz. Genesis 2:7, ‘the Lord God breathed into man’s nostrils the breath (or The Spirit) of Life’; and Ezekiel 37:9, ‘breathe into these slain and they shall live’ (the vision of the Dry Bones).” (Trench)

[Act 1:4 KJV] 4 And, being assembled together with [them], commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, [saith he], ye have heard of me.

## **What Motivates God to gives us His mercy and grace?**

An unknown writer said, God gives us mercy and grace because of His love and desire for our well-being and relationship with Him, even when we are undeserving. Mercy is withholding punishment we deserve, while grace is giving us what we don't deserve, like salvation and eternal life.

God's mercy and grace stem from His inherent love and compassion for humanity. He is a God of justice, but also of mercy and grace, as demonstrated in the Bible.

### **The Lord has a Steadfast Love**

Deuteronomy 7:9 Know therefore that the Lord your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations,

### **Because of His Love and His Goodness**

Deuteronomy 7:7 It was not because you were more in number than any other people that the Lord set his love on you and chose you, for you were the fewest of all peoples, 8 but it is because the Lord loves you and is keeping the oath that he swore to your fathers, that the Lord has brought you out with a mighty hand and redeemed you from the house of slavery, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

Three times in chapter 9 of Deuteronomy, the Lord reminds Israel their righteousness has not been the reason they are inheriting the land

[Deu 9:4-6 NLT] 4 "After the LORD your God has done this for you, don't say in your hearts, 'The LORD has given us this land because we are such good people!' No, it is because of the wickedness of the other nations that he is pushing them out of your way. 5 It is not because you are so good or have such integrity that you are about to occupy their land. The LORD your God will drive these nations out ahead of you only because of their wickedness, and to fulfill the oath he swore to your ancestors Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. 6 You must recognize that the LORD your God is not giving you this good land because you are good, for you are not--you are a stubborn people.

## **We all need to be filled with the Holy Ghost to serve the Lord**

### **When the Spirit touches your heart.**

[Act 2:37-38 KJV] 37 Now when they heard [this], they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles, Men [and] brethren, what shall we do? 38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

## **If you don't believe in Holy Spirit baptism, you will never receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit**

Filled – plēroō (Play-ro'-o) a verb

Meaning - to make full, to fill up, i.e. to fill to the full

**The more you are filled with God, the less room there is for you.**

[Act 2:39 KJV] 39 For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, [even] as many as the Lord our God shall call.

[Act 1:5 KJV] 5 For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

Baptizo – whelmed (an act or instance of flowing or heaping up abundantly)

Baptized in the Holy Spirit = being overwhelmed with the Holy Spirit.

[Act 2:2 KJV] 2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled[G4137] all the house where they were sitting.

[Act 13:52 KJV] 52 And the disciples were filled with joy, and with the Holy Ghost.

## **Are you Thirsty for the fulness of God?**

[Eph 3:19 KJV] 19 And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.

[Col 2:10 KJV] 10 And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:

## **Baptism in the Holy Ghost is an wonderful action created by God's Grace.**

[Act 4:33 KJV] 33 And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all.

## **50 days after the Resurrection**

Waiting for the promise was required. The Early church waited 10 days after the Ascension of Jesus.

[Act 1:4 KJV] 4 And, being assembled together with [them], commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, [saith he], ye have heard of me.

## **Our Need for more of the Holy Spirit has not changed. Life Happens.**

[Rom 15:13 KJV] 13 Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope, through the power of the Holy Ghost.

[Eph 3:19 KJV] 19 And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.

Pressures, responsibilities, busyness, disappointments, and preoccupation with earthly matters can dry out the soul of man. Bob Hoekstra shares how to remedy our thirst: "Come to Me and drink." We are to bring these needs to the Lord Jesus Christ and drink of Him. So often, we attempt to satisfy such thirsts by drinking at other wells. Thirsty people around the world attempt to find relief through education, work, religion, politics, entertainment, money, drugs, and more. They all encounter the

truth that our Lord revealed to the Samaritan woman at the well. "Whoever drinks of this water will thirst again" (John 4:13). We must take our spiritual thirsts to a person, to "the Person," the Lord Jesus.

[Eph 5:18 KJV] 18 And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit;

## **How do we drink?**

[Jhn 6:35 KJV] 35 And Jesus said unto them, I am the bread of life: he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.

## **The Fountain the flows within**

[Jhn 4:14 KJV] 14 But whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him shall never thirst; but the water that I shall give him shall be in him a well of water springing up into everlasting life.

The spiritual water that Christ provides also works within the thirsty soul. "The water that I shall give him will become in him a fountain of water springing up into everlasting life" (John 4:14).

This Holy Spirit supply develops abundant life within the trusting heart. Ultimately, this fountain that grows within flows outward to others. "Out of his heart will flow rivers of living water." Dry, thirsty hearts that come to Jesus in faith, not only find satisfaction for their thirst, but eventually pour out life in the Spirit to others.