

THE TRUE AND FALSE BAPTISM BY THE HOLY SPIRIT (1 Corinthians 12:12-13)

- A. The CONCERN of Paul. (12:1)**
- B. The COUNTERFEITS of their PAST. (12:2)**
- C. The CLEAR PRIORITY of Scriptural PRINCIPLE - Starting with the Truth about JESUS CHRIST. (12:3)**
- D. The CLARIFICATION about SPIRITUAL GIFTS. (12:4-11)**
- E. The CREATED INTERDEPENDENCE of the CHURCH. (12:12-27)**

1. ANATOMY 101 (12:12a)

- a. The human body is complete as _____, though consisting of _____.
- b. The human body, though made up of many _____, is still only _____.

2. APPLICATIONS #1. (12:12b-13)

- a. Just like the human body is one with many members, so also is _____.
(12:12b)
- b. The means of this spiritual positional unity is the _____ and _____
of the Holy Spirit relative to every believer in this age. (12:13)

DISCERNING THE TRUE VS. THE FALSE BAPTISM BY THE HOLY SPIRIT

A. Its PRECISE USAGE.

- 1. There are _____ passages in the Bible that refer to the baptizing ministry of the Holy Spirit, and _____ are found in the New Testament.
- 2. In all 7 of these occurrences in the Bible, the _____ Greek words are employed to communicate this truth.

B. Its PREDICTION.

- 1. **Matthew 3:11-12** "I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 12 "His winnowing fan is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather His wheat into the barn; but He will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire."
- 2. **Mark 1:7-8** And he preached, saying, "There comes One after me who is mightier than I, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to stoop down and loose. 8 "I indeed baptized you with water, but He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

3. **Luke 3:16-17** John answered, saying to all, "I indeed baptize you with water; but One mightier than I is coming, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to loose. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. 17 "His winnowing fan is in His hand, and He will thoroughly clean out His threshing floor, and gather the wheat into His barn; but the chaff He will burn with unquenchable fire."

- Note also Luke 24:49 regarding the promised coming of the Holy Spirit

4. **John 1:33** "I did not know Him, but He who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'Upon whom you see the Spirit descending, and remaining on Him, this is He who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.'

- Note John 14:16-17; 15:26-27; 16:13-14; 20:19-23 regarding the future coming of the Holy Spirit

5. **Acts 1:4-5** And being assembled together with *them*, 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;"⁵ "for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

C. Its **PROPHETIC FULFILLMENT**.

1. The coming and baptizing work of the Holy Spirit historically began on the _____, making it the birthday of the Church. (Acts 2:1-4)
2. The reality of the Holy Spirit's coming as promised is further supported in Acts _____.

D. Its PURPOSE. (1 Corinthians 12:13) For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body-- whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free-- and have all been made to drink into one Spirit.

The baptizing ministry of the Holy Spirit ...

1. Is for _____ into and _____ in the body of Christ, not for power in the Christian life.
2. Is true of _____ believer in Christ in this Church age, not just a select few.
3. Happens at the _____ of salvation, not at some later time.
4. Is never _____, for it occurs once for all.
5. Is a _____ to be believed, not a feeling to be experienced.
6. Is never _____ in Scripture, for it automatically occurs at salvation.
7. Is not evidenced by _____, even in the early church. (1 Cor.12:13, 27-30)
8. Does not guarantee true _____, for the Corinthian Christians were carnal. (1 Cor.3:1-4)
9. Is not the same as:
 - a. The _____ ministry of the Holy Spirit. (John 3:5-7)
 - b. The _____ and _____ of the Holy Spirit. (John 14:17; Eph.1:13)
 - c. The _____ of the Holy Spirit. (1 Cor. 12:7,11)
 - d. The _____ of the Holy Spirit. (Ephesians 5:18-21)
 - e. The future baptism by _____ when Christ returns. (Matt. 3:11-12)