

How Revival Transforms God's People Series

Review of the Requirements of God's Presence

I. The RETURN of God's Presence. v14-16

2 Chronicles 7:14

If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

- A. If we humble ourselves, God promises to LISTEN.
God says, "Then will I hear from heaven.**
- B. If we pray, God promises to FORGIVE.
God says, then will I forgive their sin.**
- C. If we seek God's face, God promises to HEAL.
God says, then will I heal their land. This is a return of God's blessing and presence upon the people.**
- D. If we repent, God promises to RESTORE our relationship with Him.**

When we humble ourselves, pray, seek God's face and repent. He visits us with His presence and His favor as His children! Our desire as a church should be for God to chose and sanctify not this building, but us as a people, as a local body of Christ Followers; to place His name upon us forever and to have His ears, His eyes and His heart attentive to us perpetually and to hear the prayers of His people.

Today's Message

The Person of God's Power

The Holy Spirit in the Life of a Christ Follower

I. The Holy Spirit at PENTECOST.

The holiday Shavuot means "weeks." It takes place seven weeks and one day after the Feast of First Fruits. "Pentecost," the Greek name for this holiday, means "fiftieth" because this holiday takes place on the fiftieth day after First Fruits. (The Feast of First Fruits is Easter or Resurrection Day.)

At the First Pentecost, God gave the Law to show us His requirements for a righteous life. At the second Pentecost, God gave us the Holy Spirit to enable us to live a righteous life.

Acts 2:1-4 NIV

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. 2 Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. 3 They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. 4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

II. The PERSON of the Holy Spirit.

A. The Holy Spirit is FULLY GOD and possesses all of His attributes. (Here are a few examples)

- *LIFE* – Romans 8:2
- *ETERNAL* - Hebrews 9:14, John 14:6
- *OMNIPRESENT* – Psalm 139:7-13
- *OMNISCIENT* – 1 Corinthians 2:10-12
- *OMNIPOTENT* – Romans 15:18-19
- *HOLINESS* – Matthew 12:32
- *LOVE* - Galatians 5:22
- *TRUTH* – John 14:17

B. The Holy Spirit is a PERSONAL BEING.

- He has *INTELLECT* – 1 Corinthians 2:10 John 14:26
- He has *KNOWLEDGE* – 1 Corinthians 2:11
- He has a *MIND* – Romans 8:27
- He has a *WILL* – 1 Corinthians 12:11, Acts 16:6
- He has *EMOTIONS* – Ephesians 4:25-30 (He can be grieved)
- He can be *GRIEVED* – Ephesians 4:30
- He can be *BLASPHEMED* – Matthew 12:32, Mark 3:29-30
- He can be *RESISTED* – Acts 7:51
- He can be *LIED* to – Acts 5:3
- He can be *OBEYED* – Acts 5:32

III. The PICTURE of the Holy Spirit.

Symbols of the Holy Spirit's Presence

- *LIVING WATER* – John 7:38-39
- *FIRE* – Deuteronomy 4:24, Acts 2:2-4, Matthew 3:11, Revelation 4:5, Ezekiel 1
- *WIND* – John 3:8, Acts 2:2-4
- *DOVE* – Matthew 3:16
- *SEAL* – Ephesians 1:13-14

IV. The POWER of the Holy Spirit.

The Power of the Holy Spirit in the life of a Christ Follower...

- He *COMFORTS* – John 14:16
- He *CONVERTS* – John 3_5-8
- He *COMPLETES* – 2 Thess. 2:13, Philippians 1:6
- He *TESTIFIES* – John 15:26
- He *TEACHES* – John 14:26
- He *GUIDES* – John 16:13
- He *CONVICTS* – John 16:8
- He *INTERCEDES* – Romans 8:26-28
- He *RENEWS* – Titus 3:5
- He *COMMANDS* – Acts 13:2
- He *EMPOWERS* – Acts 1:8, 2 Timothy 1:7
- He *LOVES* – Romans 15:30

V. The PRESENCE of the Holy Spirit.

A. He INDWELLS all Christ Followers. Romans 8:9, 14:16

B. He ENTERS the Christ Follower at Spiritual Birth. John 3:5-8

C. All Christ Followers are BAPTIZED by the Holy Spirit at Conversion. 1 Corinthians 12:13.

D. He SEALS the Christ Follower. Ephesians 1:13-14, Romans 8:11

The Holy Spirit transforms Christ Followers from SELF CONTROLLED to SPIRIT CONTROLLED living. Romans 8:1-27

- He sets Christ Followers *FREE* – Romans 8:2
- He makes Christ Followers *RIGHTEOUS* – Romans 8:2-4
- He transforms Christ Followers *THINKING* – Romans 8:6
- He gives Christ Followers *PEACE* – Romans 8:6
- He *LIVES* in Christ Followers – Romans 8:9
- He gives Christ Followers Spiritual *LIFE* – Romans 8:10
- He *CONQUERS* Sin in Christ Follower's lives – Romans 8:13
- He *LEADS* Christ Followers – Romans 8:14
- He *CONFIRMS* Christ Follower's salvation – Romans 8:16
- He *CONNECTS* Christ Followers to the Father – Romans 8:15
- He *ASSURES* the Christ Followers inheritance in Christ Jesus – Romans 8:17
- He *ASSISTS* Christ Followers to Pray – Romans 8:26-27

VI. How to be FILLED with the Holy Spirit.

1. UNDERSTAND your need to be filled. Romans 8:9
2. REPENT and REMOVE any known sin from your life.
Ephesians 4, 1 John 1:9, Ezekiel 36:26-27
3. SURRENDER control of your life to God. Romans 12:1,
Ephesians 5:18.
4. ASK the Lord to fill you with the Holy Spirit. Luke 11:11-13
5. OBEY the Spirit promptly. Acts 5:32
6. BELIEVE that the Holy Spirit will work in and through you.
Galatians 3:2,