

## **BAPTISM IN THE HOLY SPIRIT Introduction**

Even a cursory reading of revival history is convincing. Among all God's servants that have deeply affected their generations there is a harmony of deeper experience with Him. Terms used to describe this power have been as different as their denominations, conversion experiences and education; but the experience itself has always been essentially the same.

The Holy Spirit is the gift of the Risen Christ. His anointing filling, empowering work is a baptism of love that gives power to make Jesus real to you and known to others. This study will pursue the command of scripture in Ephesians 5:18 to “be filled with the Spirit.”

### **Timeline:**

One Week Out - Start by asking the small group members to read “Power With God” by Pratney before coming to the meeting. (either hand it out in the previous small group meeting, or email it to them.)

Three Days Out - You should read “Power With God”.

Two Days Out - You should read “Pentecost” by Leonard Ravenhill.

One Day Out - You should read “Q&A”.

The Day Of - You should study the Filled with the Spirit Discussion Notes and the handout so that you will be ready to teach in the small group meeting.

### **In the Actual Small Group Meeting:**

Teach from the Filled with the Spirit discussion notes. Have a response time and pray for each other then and there to be filled with the Spirit.

**Follow-up: (probably in 1-on-1's)**

If you have doctrinal questions that go beyond the Q&A, read “The Theology of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit.” It is much more detailed and contains numerous scripture references for you to study.

Resources

They Speak With Other Tongues by John Sherrill

Surprised by the Power of the Spirit by Jack Deere

The Person and Work of the Holy Spirit by R.A. Torrey

<http://www.reachtheu.com/ideas/viewforum.php?f=15>

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