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HOW TO RECEIVE & ACTIVATE THE GIFT OF SPEAKING IN TONGUES.

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John the Baptist introduces Jesus: "After me will come One more powerful than I. I baptize you with water, but He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit" Mark 1v7-8

Jesus did not baptize anybody with the Holy Spirit while He was on earth. HE BAPTIZES NOW in the Spirit.

This is one truth about Jesus Christ that the four gospels unequivocally testifies to. See Matth 3v11, Mark 1v7-8, Luke 3v16, John 1v33

"He shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit". But nobody was baptized with the Spirit while He was on earth, until after He ascended-Acts 1v5-8

He baptizes now in the Spirit!

Why is this truth important? Because for the most part Christians have developed this habit of separating salvation from every other experience in Christ.

Just as Jesus is the Savior; Jesus is the Healer; Jesus is the baptizer in the Spirit!

Now tell me, what did we do to qualify for salvation? Nothing! We simply believed the testimony of God's Word & were saved. When we cried for mercy we knew He was merciful & gracious enough to forgive us.

What about the baptism of the Spirit? Is He now holding it back from us?

"He that spared not His Son but gave Him up for us all, how shall He not ALONG WITH HIM FREELY give us all things?" Rom 8v32

Jesus is God's best. The best gift God could have given anyone is JESUS. So if God didn't hold back Jesus from us, He's not holding back anything else!

Which one of you fathers would give your hungry child a snake if the child asked for a fish? As bad as you are, you still know how to give good gifts to your children. But YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER IS EVEN MORE READY to give the Holy Spirit to anyone who asks.

Luke 11:11, 13 CEV

Did you see that? So what do we need to receive the baptism of the Spirit? Ask Him.

God is not holding back. "He that asks, receives". It means when we ask of Him, He gives us without hesitation.

So what happens when you ask? You received. But why don't you speak in tongues?

THE REASON SOME ARE YET TO SPEAK IN TONGUES:

1. Their assumptions. They suppose that they have to FEEL something, like shouting & rolling on the floor. But Bible didn't tell us that.

2. Sin consciousness. They feel they're too filthy & unworthy to receive the HOLY Spirit.

3. Fear- "How can I say what I don't know, what if I'm cursing God?" It's called "unknown tongues", it's God's wisdom in a mystery. You're not supposed to know it

4. Some feel that when the Spirit comes, He takes hold of our mouth & does the speaking. No! You do the speaking!

Compare: 1 Corinthians 14:2

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The Passion Translation

2 When someone speaks in tongues, no one understands a word he says, because he's not speaking to people, but to God
—he is speaking intimate mysteries in the Spirit.

KJV

King James Version

2 For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries.

NLT

New Living Translation

2 For if you have the ability to speak in tongues, you will be talking only to God, since people won't be able to understand you. You will be speaking by the power of the Spirit, but it will all be mysterious.

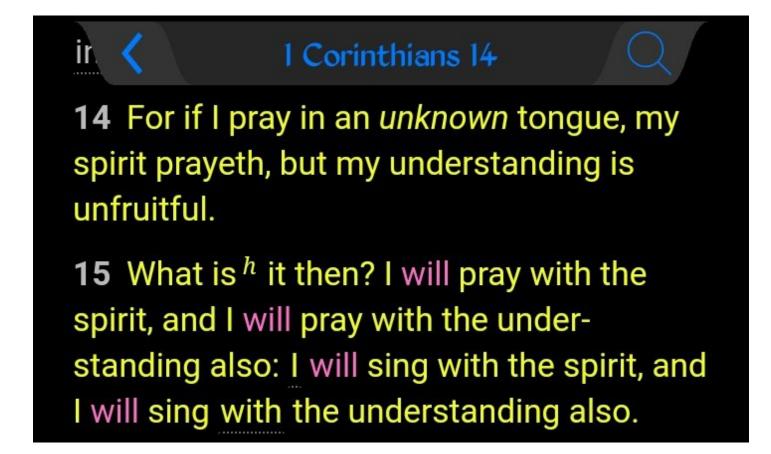
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2 If someone speaks in a different language, he is speaking only to God. The people who hear him do not understand his message. God's Spirit is causing him to speak about secret things. It does not help people. "I am the LORD your God which brought you out of the Land of Egypt; OPEN YOUR MOUTH WIDE AND I WILL FILL IT." Psalm 81v10

He is our teacher. We speak, He gives the utterance - the ability to speak well.

Let's see something in 1 Cor 14v14-15: the word "I WILL" is used 4 times!



"I WILL.." - just as you will to pray in your understanding, you also will to pray in spirit. The Holy Spirit doesn't will it for us, He only works in us both to will & to do (utterance). Philippians 2v13

"They were filled with the Spirit & BEGAN TO SPEAK in tongues.." Acts 2v4

Now listen, even though the Spirit works in us to will, we can quench the Spirit. 1 Thes 5v19

Even though we've received the gift of the Spirit, we can neglect it. 1 Tim 4v14

It's up to us to stir up the gift of God which we have received! Stir it up! Don't be afraid! 2 Tim 1v6

The Spirit guides us gently through instructions of the Word, we either chose to yield or neglect it, but He won't force us.

Just like the house of Cornelius, He's willing to fall on you now if you'll yield in faith (Acts 10v44-46) "While Peter yet spoke the Holy Spirit fell!"

How do we yield in faith? #RPN said, "faith is taking sides with the Word of God & making your argument. Faith is the response of your human spirit to the Word of God".

I.e "God's Word says it, & I do it, not because I feel so but because the Word says so" that's faith!

Take your time to meditate on this truth & Christ will give you light. God is not holding back. He's more willing to give than you're ready to receive.

If you need someone to pray with you, my DM Is open. I'm not the Baptizer in the Spirit, no man is, Jesus is!

Shalom

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