

Immersed In The Spirit

Luke 24:44-49 - He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms." 45 Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. 46 He told them, "This is what is written: The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, 47 and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. 48 You are witnesses of these things. 49 I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high." NIV

The Spirit Baptism Is An Empowerment From God That All Believers Can Experience.

Mark 1:8 - I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." NIV

God wants to immerse us in **HIMSELF!**

TWO DISTINCT BENEFITS TO ALL WHO RECEIVE:

1. Greater Spiritual Intimacy With God.

Personal...

Intimate...

Encounter.

Acts 2:2-4 - 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. NIV

Affected both their **spiritual awareness** and **physical senses**.

They began to hear **God-inspired sounds!**

They began to see **God-inspired sights!**

They began to speak **God-inspired words!**

THE SPIRIT BAPTISM BRINGS OTHER PERSONAL SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS:

- Our appetite for the Scriptures comes alive in powerful new ways
- Our prayer life is refreshed, renewed and empowered
- Our desire to live holy lives is intensified

2. Greater Spiritual Power From God.

Acts 1:8 - *But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.*" NIV

Acts 2:2 - *Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting.* NIV

Acts 2:14 - *Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say.* NIV

THE SPIRIT BAPTISM BRINGS EVEN MORE PERSONAL BLESSINGS:

- We find a heightened boldness towards evangelism
- Our words become God's words
- We capture God's heart for the lost

Matt 28:19-20 - *Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.*" NIV