Introduction:

- "So if you sinful people know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him."" (Luke 11:13, NLT) The Father is eager for us to have Holy Spirit.
- "The Scriptures exhort us to be filled with the Spirit, live in the Spirit, walk in the Spirit, be led of the Spirit, have the fruit of the Spirit, manifest the gifts of the Spirit, and go from glory to glory until we are transformed into His same image by the Spirit of the Lord." Dr. Bill Hamon
- The Holy Spirit is given in order that the Kingdom of God might advance with power onto every aspect of every culture.
- Where the Holy Spirit is moving, restoration and reformation are taking place and the government of God in our lives.

I. He Will Baptize You

- A. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Mt 3:11 NLT JTB was preaching this before salvation was given. God was not after us having 'fire insurance'. He was after us having Him on our insides! John did not prophesy, "He will save you." He preached the arrival of the Kingdom of God! The King of the Kingdom must have people. The baptism in the Holy Spirit is God's goal for mankind.
 - 1. In other words, one of the things we must see in this passage is what God was after.
 - a) He wanted a people for himself. Paul really understood this. Eph 2:15-ff One New Man.
 - b) He wanted a holy habitation. We want to see God in others. We want God to be seen in us. That we may have God! That is the wonder of the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.
 - c) He wanted us to be salt and light. Salt goes through the food and light overcomes all darkness. Our lives are to be a revelation of Jesus. Just like Jesus revealed the Father so we are to reveal Jesus.
 - d) He wanted us to be divine carriers of His presence throughout the earth.
 - 2. Jesus must lay His hands on us and bestow upon us: *He will baptize you*... Salvation was not the ultimate goal of Christ's coming. It was an important goal on the way to getting us filled with God, the Holy Spirit. "...that you may be filled with all the fullness of God." (Ephesians 3:19, NKJV) This is what John wanted from Jesus! Holy Spirit and fire!
 - 3.
- a) His own nature.
- b) The moment of God.
- c) The substance of His soul.
- d) The quality of His mind.
- e) The very being of God himself.

- 4. We then become the Temple of the Holy Spirit!
- B. God lives in Me!
 - 1. God in me becomes an incredible impact in the earth.
 - 2. God in me equips me to live forever in harmony with the heart and mind of God.
 - 3. God in me fills me with all the God like qualities of His nature.
 - 4. God in me enable me to be a minister of the Most High God!
 - 5. God in me brings reformation to the structures of men in the earth.

II. Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed? (Ac 19:2)

- A. "he said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" So they said to him, "We have not so much as heard whether there is a Holy Spirit."" (Acts 19:2, NKJV)
 - 1. What the early apostles and believers received, they wanted all believers to receive. "Holy Spirit and fire." Cloud by day wind, and fire by night. The Presence of God dwelling in them. God wanted a "New Man" in the earth.
 - 2. The greatest gift a man can receive is the Holy Spirit himself. Those who discover the values of His presence enter into realms of intimacy with God never previously considered possible.
- B. Listen to this promise: "I will be with you" God made this promise to all of His servants! Especially when what He was asking of them was impossible.
 - 1. Moses Ex 3:12
 - 2. Joshua Joshua 1:9
 - 3. Gideon Judges 6:16
 - 4. NT believers, great commission Mt 28:19
 - 5. His presence makes anything possible!
- C. When the men of Ephesus received the Holy Spirit, they went from a handful of believers to literally changing the atmosphere of the city!
 - 1. Peter's Shadow healed people...it wasn't the shadow it was the Presence in Peter. Acts 5:15
 - 2. Guards who came to arrest Jesus, fell back as though dead. Jn 18:6
 - 3. Paul's Handkerchief healed people Acts 19:12

III. Being Filled Is Over The Top!

- A. Filled with Holy Spirit "...that you may be filled with all the fullness of God." (Ephesians 3:19, NKJV)
 - 1. Fullness is measured in overflow. When something is full it is running over.
 - 2. That is what we want! That is baptism! Immerse the vessel until it is full to overflowing.
 - 3. "Then Peter, <u>filled with the Holy Spirit</u>, said to them, "Rulers and elders of our people," (Acts 4:8, NLT)
 - 4. "After this prayer, the meeting place shook, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit. Then they preached the word of God with boldness." (Acts 4:31, NLT)

- 5. "So Ananias went and found Saul. He laid his hands on him and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road, has sent me so that you might regain your sight and <u>be filled with the Holy Spirit</u>."" (Acts 9:17, NLT) Immediately he started preaching!
- B. Smeared with God!
 - 1. To anoint, means to smear. It is what shepherd did to sheep faces to keep the bugs from biting.
 - a) 'Christ' means anointed one.
 - b) Anti-christ=anti anointing or against.
 - c) The spirits of hell are at war against the anointing! Without the anointing mankind is not threat to their dominion!
 - d) Jesus, the Christ, the anointed one is the perfect picture of a man anointed with the Holy Spirit and exercising that dominion over darkness!!!
 - 2. Jesus the anointed:
 - a) ""The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, for <u>he has anointed me</u> to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free," (Luke 4:18, NLT)
 - b) "And you know that <u>God anointed Jesus</u> of Nazareth <u>with the Holy Spirit and with power</u>. Then Jesus went around doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him." (Acts 10:38, NLT)
- C. He Jesus will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire!
- D. Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?

Conclusion:

• We need the Holy Spirit!

A disciple is a person who has put their faith in Jesus, governs their life by Jesus teaching and passionately pursues Jesus mandate...make disciples.