Making Disciples

Notes for Group Session Seven

The Baptism of the Holy Spirit

Session Goals

1. Disciples will experience the baptism of the Holy Spirit if they haven't previously experienced it.
2. Disciples will be able to explain the purpose and manifestations of the baptism of the Holy Spirit.
3. Disciples will be equipped to pray for someone to receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit after the session.

Begin the session praying together and reviewing the Action Steps from the previous week. Pray with individuals who had difficulty applying the information from last week. Thank God where there were successes in the application.

- Sharing Testimonies

Allow both members and leader to share their:

1. Experience of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit, where and when did it happen.
2. Motivations to receive the baptism in the Holy Spirit.
3. Experience of receiving if they have previously received.
4. How The Baptism of the Holy Spirit affects their and your daily life.

- Bible Verses About the Baptism of The Holy Spirit

1 Corinthians 12:13 "For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit."

Acts 1:5 "For John truly baptized with water but you shall be baptized with the holy spirit not many days from now."

Acts 1:8 "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you shall be my witnesses to me in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth."

Acts 2:1-21

"[1] When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. [2] And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. [3] And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. [4] And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. [5] Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. [6] And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. [7] And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? [8] And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? [9] Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, [10] Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, [11] both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." [12] And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" [13] But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine." [14] But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. [15] For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. [16] But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: [17] "And in the last days it shall be," God declares, "that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; [18] even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. [19] And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; [20] the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. [21] And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved…"

Acts 2: 32-39

"[32] This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. [33] Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. [34] For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says," 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, [35] until I make your enemies your footstool."' [36] Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified." [37] Now when they heard this they

were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" 38 And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself."

Acts 1:8 "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the Earth."

Matthew 3:11 "I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

Luke 3:16 "John answered them all, saying, "I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

Acts 4:31 "And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered was shaken, and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with boldness."

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

John 1:33 "I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who Baptizes with the Holy Spirit."

Luke 3:21-22 "Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

Luke 11:13 "If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

Acts 19:2-6 "He said unto them, 'Have you received the Holy Spirit since you believed', and they said unto him, 'We have not so much as heard whether there be a Holy Spirit', and he said unto them, 'Into what then were you baptized', and they said, 'Into John's baptism', then said Paul, 'John indeed baptized with the baptism

of repentance, saying to the people that they should believe on him who would come after him that is on Christ Jesus?' When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus and when Paul had laid his hands on them the Holy Spirit came on them and they spoke with tongues and prophesied."

Acts 8:14-21 "Now when the apostles who were in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God they sent unto them Peter and John, who when they had come down prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had fallen upon none of them. They had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit. And when Simon saw that through laying on the apostles hands the Holy Spirit was given, he offered them money saying, 'Give me this power that whoever I lay hands on may receive the Holy Spirit', but Peter said unto him, 'Your money perish with you because you thought the gift of God may be purchased with money.'"

John 7:38-39 "He who believes in Me, as the scripture has said, out of his heart will flow rivers of living water. But this, He spoke concerning the Spirit whom those believing in him would receive for the Holy Spirit was not yet given because Jesus was not yet glorified."

Acts 9:17 "And Ananias went his way and entered the house and laying his hands on him he said, 'Brother Saul the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.'"

Acts 10:44-47 "While Peter was still speaking these words the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who heard the word and those of the circumcised who believed were stunned as many as came with Peter, because the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also. For they heard them speak with tongues and magnify God, and then Peter answered, 'Can anyone forbid water that these should not be baptized who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have.'"

- Verses about receiving The Holy Spirit when You are born again.

Romans 8:9" You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him."

John 3:5 "Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God."

- Verses about being continually being filled with the Holy Spirit

Acts 13:52 “And the disciples were continually filled with Joy and The Holy Spirit.”

Ephesians 5:18 “And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit,”

Acts 9:31 “And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, they were multiplied.”

Action Steps

- Read one of the verses in these notes two or three times a day and ask the Holy Spirit to give you more understanding about how it applies to your life.

- Pray in tongues during your prayer time, driving, or doing things around the house. Ask the Holy Spirit what you are praying about.

- Ask the Holy Spirit to give you courage and the words to talk to someone about Jesus or encourage another Christian, share with us your experience next week.