



Key References:

Acts 10:36–38 (ESV) - ³⁶ As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), ³⁷ you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

Philippians 2:6–7 (NLT) - Though he was God, he did not think of equality with God as something to cling to. ⁷ Instead, he gave up his divine privileges; he took the humble position of a slave and was born as a human being. When he appeared in human form,

Luke 4:18–19 (ESV) - “The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.”

Mike on Sunday - *“Just like Jesus, we as born-again believers, need the power of the Holy Spirit to come upon us so that we too can become powerful, effective witnesses. We need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus and be baptized both in water and the Holy Spirit. Why? So that we can do even greater things than Jesus did, just as he promised we would in John 14:12.”*

John 14:12 (ESV) - “Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father.

What is the difference between Jesus and The Holy Spirit?

Before we open the scriptures what do you know about Jesus’ own relationship and interactions with The Holy Spirit?

Mike talked at length about Jesus’ interactions and dependence on the Holy Spirit throughout his life and ministry. **Is this surprising that Jesus would be dependent on the Spirit?**

Read Acts 10:36-38. **What two things did God anoint Jesus with in v28? Why did Jesus need to be anointed if he himself is God?**

Read Philippians 2:6-7. **If Jesus gave up his divine privileges while on the earth, then how much of Jesus’ walk with the Spirit life act as a template for us to follow?**

Read Luke 4:14-19. **Could Jesus have fulfilled his ministry and calling without the Holy Spirit? How does Jesus’ calling reflect our calling? How does Jesus’ anointing reflect our anointing do to the same things?**

Read Luke 1:29-35. Here we read about Mary receiving a calling from God and being troubled in the process. **Have you ever been troubled at bigness of the call of God upon your life? When Mary asked “How can it be?” how does the angles answer in v35 help us in our calling?**

Read John 14:12. **How can Jesus’ statement be true? Do we have the same access to the Holy Spirit and power that Jesus had?**

As we’ve spent the last few weeks in the book of Acts has your thoughts about Baptism in The Holy Spirit changed in any way?

Read the quote from Mike. Can we live **effective lives without the baptism of the Holy Spirit? What is the baptism of the Holy Spirit?**