

## **On Eagle's Wings: Baptism of the Holy Spirit**

### **John 16:7-8, 12-15 (NLT)**

<sup>7</sup> But it is actually best for you that I go away, because if I don't, the Counselor won't come. If I do go away, he will come because I will send him to you. <sup>8</sup> And when he comes, he will convince the world of its sin, and of God's righteousness, and of the coming judgment. ... <sup>12</sup> "Oh, there is so much more I want to tell you, but you can't bear it now. <sup>13</sup> When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not be presenting his own ideas; he will be telling you what he has heard. He will tell you about the future. <sup>14</sup> He will bring me glory by revealing to you whatever he receives from me. <sup>15</sup> All that the Father has is mine; this is what I mean when I say that the Spirit will reveal to you whatever he receives from me.

### **Acts 2:1-5 (NLT)**

<sup>1</sup> On the day of Pentecost, seven weeks after Jesus' resurrection, the believers were meeting together in one place. <sup>2</sup> Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm in the skies above them, and it filled the house where they were meeting. <sup>3</sup> Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. <sup>4</sup> And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability. <sup>5</sup> Godly Jews from many nations were living in Jerusalem at that time.

### **Acts 10:44-46 (NLT)**

<sup>44</sup> Even as Peter was saying these things, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who had heard the message. <sup>45</sup> The Jewish believers who came with Peter were amazed that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out upon the Gentiles, too. <sup>46</sup> And there could be no doubt about it, for they heard them speaking in tongues and praising God.

### **Acts 19:1-6 (NLT)**

<sup>1</sup> While Apollos was in Corinth, Paul traveled through the interior provinces. Finally, he came to Ephesus, where he found several believers. <sup>2</sup> "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" he asked them. "No," they replied, "we don't know what you mean. We haven't even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." <sup>3</sup> "Then what baptism did you experience?" he asked. And they replied, "The baptism of John." <sup>4</sup> Paul said, "John's baptism was to demonstrate a desire to turn from sin and turn to God. John himself told the people to believe in Jesus, the one John said would come later." <sup>5</sup> As soon as they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. <sup>6</sup> Then when Paul laid his hands on them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they spoke in other tongues and prophesied.

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### **1 Corinthians 12:7-11 (NLT)**

<sup>7</sup> A spiritual gift is given to each of us as a means of helping the entire church. <sup>8</sup> To one person the Spirit gives the ability to give wise advice; to another he gives the gift of special knowledge. <sup>9</sup> The Spirit gives special faith to another, and to someone else he gives the power to heal the sick. <sup>10</sup> He gives one person the power to perform miracles, and to another the ability to prophesy. He gives someone else the ability to know whether it is really the Spirit of God or another spirit that is speaking. Still another person is given the ability to speak in unknown languages, and another is given the ability to interpret what is being said. <sup>11</sup> It is the one and only Holy Spirit who distributes these gifts. He alone decides which gift each person should have.

### **1 Corinthians 14:5, 15, 18-19, 39-40 (NLT)**

<sup>5</sup> I wish you all had the gift of speaking in tongues, but even more I wish you were all able to prophesy. For prophecy is a greater and more useful gift than speaking in tongues, unless someone interprets what you are saying so that the whole church can get some good out of it. ... <sup>15</sup> Well then, what shall I do? I will do both. I will pray in the spirit, and I will pray in words I understand. I will sing in the spirit, and I will sing in words I understand. ... <sup>18</sup> I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you. <sup>19</sup> But in a church meeting I would much rather speak five understandable words that will help others than ten thousand words in an unknown language. ... <sup>39</sup> So, dear brothers and sisters, be eager to prophesy, and don't forbid speaking in tongues. <sup>40</sup> But be sure that everything is done properly and in order.

### **Acts 2:17-18 (NLT)**

<sup>17</sup> 'In the last days, God said, I will pour out my Spirit upon all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, and your old men will dream dreams. <sup>18</sup> In those days I will pour out my Spirit upon all my servants, men and women alike, and they will prophesy.