

Biblical Examples/Stories of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit

Fill in the Blanks

Acts 2:1-4

When the day of _____ arrived, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing _____, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of _____ appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the _____ and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Acts 4:31

And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all _____ with the Holy Spirit and continued to speak the word of God with _____.

Acts 8:14-17

Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John, who came down and _____ for them that they might receive the _____, for he had not yet fallen on any of them, but they had only been _____ in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid their hands on them and they _____ the Holy Spirit.

Acts 9:17-18

So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, "Brother _____, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be _____ with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his _____. Then he rose and was baptized...

Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still saying these things, the _____ fell on all who heard the word. And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the Holy Spirit was _____ even on the Gentiles. For they were hearing them speaking in tongues and extolling _____. Then Peter declared, "Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have _____ the Holy Spirit just as we have?" And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of _____. Then they asked him to remain for some days.

Acts 13:52

And the disciples were filled with _____ and with the _____.

Acts 19:1-7

And it happened that while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul passed through the inland country and came to Ephesus. There he found some disciples. And he said to them, “Did you receive the _____ when you believed?” And they said, “No, we have not even heard that there is a Holy Spirit.” And he said, “Into what then were you _____?” They said, “Into _____ baptism.” And Paul said, “John baptized with the baptism of _____, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, _____.” On hearing 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 began speaking in tongues and _____. There were about twelve men in all.

Historical Examples/Stories of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit

Preachers/Revivalists Experiencing the Baptism of the Holy Spirit

1700s

- Jonathan Edwards – Father of America’s First Great Awakening
 - Holy Spirit came upon crowds as he preached, with conviction – people often began wailing and crying loudly
- George Whitefield & John Wesley
 - Preachers who encountered the Holy Spirit individually, preaching to large crowds in open air gatherings, as they were too big to fit in churches
 - In New England, church memberships increased from 25,000 to 50,000 in two years, as people experienced true conversion and the revival of the Holy Spirit in their hearts

1800s

- Charles Finney

- "The Holy Spirit ... seemed to go through me, body and soul," he later wrote. "I could feel the impression, like a wave of electricity, going through and through me. Indeed it seemed to come in waves of liquid love, for I could not express it in any other way."
- After that, Finney recommend the baptism of the Holy Spirit to all believers, especially those in ministry who needed power.
- D.L. Moody
 - Two women in his congregation prayed for him to experience the baptism of the Holy Spirit
 - Became desperate himself, asking God to fill him with the Holy Spirit
 - One day in New York, he experienced the Holy Spirit in such a heavy way that he asked God to remove His hand because he thought he might die
 - After this encounter, his ministry and preaching began to flourish like never before

1900s

- Evan Roberts & the Welsh Revival
 - Roberts experienced the filling of the Holy Spirit alone in prayer
 - Started prayer meetings that grew and grew, as the Holy Spirit manifested love and power and people were re-awakened to God
 - Revival spread across Wales and whole communities were transformed – crime rates dropped, pubs and bars were empty and alcohol sales declined because people were in churches instead, streets were filled with prayer and hymns rather than gossip and nasty jokes, people paid back money they had borrowed, relationships of every kind were reconciled and families were restored.