

Title: The Gift that keeps on Giving

Text: *And you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit... He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit"* Acts 2:38, John 20:22

Target: Jesus shows how to live, the Holy Spirit gives you the power to do it.

- **The Receiving of the Holy Spirit:** *"I have baptized you with water for repentance...but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."* (Matthew 3:11)
 - A. **Saved by the Spirit:** *He saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit,* (Titus 3:5)
 - A. **Sealed by the Spirit:** *In him you also, when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and believed in him, were sealed with the promised Holy Spirit,* (Eph. 1:13)
 - A. **Sanctified by the Spirit:** *And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.* (1 Cor. 6:11)
- **The Indwelling of the Holy Spirit:** *"If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you."* (Romans 8:11)
 - A. **Equips with Spiritual Gifts:** *There are varieties of gifts, buy the same Spirit....To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.* (1 Cor. 12:4,7)
 1. **Discerning:** (Power to Know: Wisdom, Knowledge, Understanding)
 2. **Declarative:** (Power to Say: Prophecy, Tongues, Interpretation of Tongues)
 3. **Dynamic:** (Power to Do: Faith, Healings, Miracles)
 - A. **Enables Spiritual Growth:** *And I am sure of this, that he who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ.* (Phil. 1:6)
 1. **Clarity of Scripture:** John 14:26
 2. **Conviction of Sin:** John 16:7-8
 3. **Comfort in every Season:** Anxiety (Phil. 4:6-8), Wisdom (1 Cor. 2:10-11) Intercession (Romans 8:26-27)
- **The Baptism of the Holy Spirit:** *And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit.* (Eph. 5:18)
 - A. **Walk by the Spirit:** *"But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh."* (Galatians 5:16)
 1. **Sensitivity of the Spirit:** *Do not quench the Spirit.* (1 Thess. 5:19)
 2. **Submitted to the Spirit:** *Do not grieve the Holy Spirit.* (Ephesians 4:30)
 - A. **Led by the Spirit:** *"If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit."* (Galatians 5:25)
 1. **Die to Self:** Galatians 5:17
 2. **Devote yourself:** Galatians 2:20
 - A. **Fruit of the Spirit:** *But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law* (Galatians 5:22-23)
 - A. **Empowered by the Spirit:** *May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope."* (Romans 15:13)

Takeaway: I am No Longer a Slave (Rom. 8:15). I am No Longer an Orphan (John 14:13), I am No longer a Beggar (Mark 16:17-18)