

#10 JULY - "HAVE YE RECEIVED THE HOLY GHOST SINCE YE BELIEVED?"

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NOTE: Read the information in this packet, even if you have not received the HOLY GHOST.

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From www.lcj-lmmi.org, review – **“The Season of Pentecost...”**

1) **BSG: “The Season of Pentecost...”** -

focus: Prelude: The Holy Ghost/Holy Spirit –

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2) **BSG: “The Birth of the New Testament Church”** [The Book of ...ACTS...]

C. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION comes from other books written by Dr. Johnson, but very pertinent to the topic herewith. (**Note:** Pages do not follow a particular format; rather, read them in the order in which they are presented.)

1) **First Things First, especially emphasizing these Foundational Scriptures:**

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Matthew **28:19-20**

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Acts **1:11; 2:1-47; 4:31-37; 5:25-42**

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Romans **5:1-9; 8:26-39**

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b) Assignment: Locate, then read Other Scriptures.

May GOD BLESS YOU for your interest and effort made in this Project!

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Resources: 1) Scriptures from KJV 2) Definitions from varied dictionaries.

A. BACKGROUND AND INTRODUCTION: (Read July 1)

This Document has been expressly written to help you understand the MOST IMPORTANT DECISION you have made in your life – that of *preparing your Body, Heart, Mind, Soul, and Spirit* – not only to receive the LORD JESUS CHRIST into your life, BUT, to live for HIM each and every day!.

Your ultimate goal – after your life on earth has ended – is to have everlasting life – that is to spend eternity with JESUS CHRIST.

Through this Writing, 1) it is our Prayer that GOD will help you to understand what you have read. 2) It is, also, our Prayer that – after having completed this Writing – you will allow GOD to continuously MINISTER to you. 3) It is our ultimate Prayer that – having completed all Assignments – that you will allow GOD to *MAINTAIN/SAVE YOUR Body. Heart, Mind, and Spirit!*

1) **First Things First:** *(Read July 5-9)*

1) **Repentance** is the prerequisite and **forgiveness** is a requisite for receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit (Holy Ghost).

2) According to Jesus (John 3:1-18), being born of the **water and of the Spirit** are requisites for entering the Kingdom of God:

- 1: "There was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews:
2. The same came to Jesus by night, and said unto him, Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him.
3. Jesus answered and said unto him, *Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.*
4. Nicodemus saith unto him, How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?
5. Jesus answered, *Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom.*

(Reiteration: In order to enter the Kingdom of Heaven, to have eternal life, or to have everlasting life, Jesus said, "*Except a man(or woman) be born of **water** and of the **Spirit**, he (she) **cannot enter** the kingdom.*")

6. *That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.*
7. *Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again.*
8. *The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound
Thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth:

So is everyone that is born of the Spirit.*
9. *Nicodemus answered and said unto him, How can these things be?*
10. *Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things?*
11. *Verily, verily, I say unto thee, We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and ye receive not our witness.*
12. *If I have told you earthly things, and ye believe not, how shall ye believe, if I tell you of heavenly things.*
13. *And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven.*
14. *And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up/*
15. *That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have eternal life.*
16. *For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.*
17. *For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved.*
18. *He that believeth on Him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.*

In the Book of ACTS 2:38-39, Peter, when asked by those who heard the 120 speaking “In other tongues” (languages of their own nation, thereby readily understanding) – gives directives regarding the water baptism and the Spirit (the Holy Ghost):

37: “**Now when they heard this (the message of Peter in verses 14-36), they were pricked in their heart, and said unto Peter and to the rest of the Apostles, Men and brethren, what shall we do?**

38: Then Peter said unto them, **REPENT**, and **BE BAPTIZED** everyone of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins and **YE SHALL RECEIVE THE GIFT OF THE HOLY GHOST..”**

39. For the **PROMISE** is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the LORD OUR GOD shall call.”

Acts 19:1-6:

1. “And it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper coasts came to Ephesus: and finding certain disciples,
2. He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost.
3. And he said unto them, Unto what then were ye baptized? And they **(Ephesians)** said, Unto John’s baptism.
4. Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus.
5. When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus

(Note: The Bible tells us “Whatsoever ye do in word or in deed, do all in the name of Jesus.”)
6. And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied.”

Romans 8:9-11:

9. "But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of His.
10. And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.

Note: Please carefully read verse 11, noting that if you do not have God's Spirit within you, you will not rise with Him when He returns for you.

The bottom line is that when Jesus returns, those with the Spirit (Holy Spirit/Holy Ghost), will join His Spirit – enabling them to be "caught up to meet Him in the air."
11. But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you.
12. Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.
13. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.
14. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

15. I Corinthians 12:13: “For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles whether we be bond or free; and have been made to drink into one Spirit.”

The Spiritual Baptism of the Holy Ghost is essential to your complete Salvation in Christ Jesus, and is evidenced by the speaking in other tongues as the Spirit of God gave utterance according to Acts 2:4: *“And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.”*

2) Who is the Holy Ghost?

What will the Holy Ghost Do for You? (Read July 10-13)

When you receive **GOD's Spirit (the Holy Ghost)**, then you will know **HIM** in these capacities:

1. The Holy Ghost will be your COMFORTER.

- * What is the Comforter? The Comforter (God's Holy Spirit) will
provide you with peace in times of turmoil,
conflict, or chaos; will soothe you in times
of upheaval or trouble; will calm you in
times of distress and/or fear; will ease your
burdens; will quiet your fears, will cheer you
in times of sadness; will give you
encouragement; will give you consolation in
times of grief; will give you encouragement,
satisfaction and pleasure *whenever* needed.

***John 14:8-18, 26:**

8. "Philip saith unto him (Jesus), Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us.
9. Jesus saith unto him, *Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? He that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father?*
10. *Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me? The words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works.*
11. *Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.*
12. *Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do; because I go unto my Father.*
13. *And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.*
14. *If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it.*
15. *If ye love me, keep my commandments.*
16. *And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another **Comforter**, that he may abide with you forever.*

(Note: The Holy Ghost is not an it; the Holy Ghost is described as he.)
17. *Even the Spirit of truth; whom the word cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you.*
18. *I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you."*

26. But the **Comforter**, which is the **Holy Ghost**, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.”

* **John 16:7:**

6. “ Nevertheless I tell you the truth; it is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the **Comforter** will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.”

2. The Holy Ghost will be your KEEPER.

*What is a Keeper? A Keeper is one who protects, guards; a Keeper is a caretaker. (Webster’s College Thesaurus even says that a Keeper is “an escort”. Isn’t it marvelous that the Holy Ghost, as Keeper, will escort us into into places we do not care to go, as into the courtrooms – where He will also act as our lawyer).

3. The Holy Ghost will be your Sustainer.

*What is a Sustainer? A Sustainer is one who bears up or upholds one in times of need; a Sustainer is also a “prop.” (Doesn’t God act as a “prop” for us? If He didn’t “prop” us up, we would surely fall.) A Sustainer also is a nurturer who nourishes or who feeds us; a Sustainer feeds us.

4. The Holy Ghost will be your Peace.

*What is Peace? When one has Peace, then one has composure and is in harmony and agreement– even with him/herself. It is the Holy Ghost that gives us true peace.

***John 14:27:** *“Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.”*

5. The Holy Ghost will be your Enabler and your Empowerer.

*What is an Enabler, Empowerer, and Equipper? The task here is to “make able, make possible, allow, assist, qualify, delegate.”

6. The Holy Ghost will be your Equipper.

*What is an Equipper? An Equipper supplies, furnishes, outfits, provides provision for another.

7. The Holy Ghost will be your Teacher or Instructor.

*What is a Teacher or Instructor? A Teacher or Instructor teaches (gives lessons to, conducts classes), indoctrinates, prepares, informs, enlightens, mentors, and/or coaches the pupil.

***Luke 12:12:** ""For the Holy Ghost shall teach you in the same hour what ye ought to say."

***John 14:26:** "But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things"

***Galatians 6:6:** "Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth all good things."

8. The Holy Ghost will be your Intercessor.

*What is an Intercessor? An Intercessor serves as a go-between, an intermediary, an intervener.

An Intercessor “steps in.”

***Romans 8:24-27:**

24. “For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope:
for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?
25. But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with patience wait for it.
26. Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered.
27. And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God.

9. The Holy Ghost will bring All Things to Your Remembrance.

***John 14:26:** “But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your remembrance.”

10. The Holy Ghost is a Leader and Guider.

*What is a Leader and Guider?

***John 16:13:** "...When he, the Spirit of truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth: for He shall not speak of Himself; but whatsoever He shall hear, that shall he speak: and He will shew you things to come."

***Romans 8:14:** "For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God."

11. The Holy Ghost will give you **Boldness**.

*What is Boldness? Boldness depicts fearlessness, bravery, unafraidness, unshrinkingness, daringness, and courageousness.

“Acts 4:31: “And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with **boldness**.”

(Note: The Holy Ghost gave them this boldness, as they certainly did not evidence it during the arrest, trial, nor the crucifixion of Jesus; rather, they fled. On the other hand, when they received the Holy Ghost, they became bold enough to preach and to give their lives for the Gospel of Jesus Christ.)

12. The Holy Ghost will be your Paraclete (Gr.).

*What is a Paraclete? A Paraclete is a Helper, an advocator(one who pleads the cause of another. A Paraclete acts as a lawyer, in that a lawyer is one who presents his/her client's case in court. An Advocate, in times of trials, hardships, etc. sympathizes with the person who is hurting, then offers suitable direction and support. (Read John 14:16; 15:26; 16:7; also, read I John 2:1)

a) Read July 14: **Without the Holy Ghost, you will**
subject to defilement, as taught by
Jesus in the Book of Mark 7:14-23: (Read July 14-31)

- 14: "And when He (Jesus) had called all the people unto Him, He said unto them, *Hearken unto me everyone of you, and understand:*
- 15: *There is nothing from without a man, that entering into him can defile him; but the things which come out of him, those are they that defile the man.*
16. *If any man have ears to hear, let him hear.*
17. And when He was entered into the house from the people, His disciples asked Him concerning the parable.
18. And He said unto them, *Are ye so without understanding also? Do ye not perceive, that whatsoever thing from without entereth into the man, it cannot defile him;*
19. *Because it entereth not into his heart, but into the belly, and goeth out into the draught, purging all meats?*
20. And He said, *That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man.*
21. *For from within, out of the heart of men (and women) proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders,*
22. *Thefts, covetousness, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride, foolishness:*
23. *All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.*

b) Read July 14: *With the Holy Ghost*, you will not manifest the defilements mentioned by Jesus in the seventh Chapter of Mark.; nor will you manifest the works of the flesh as described by the Apostle Paul in the Book of Galatians, Chapter 5, Verses 13-21. Rather, you will manifest the FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT, as continued in the Fifth Chapter of Galatians, Verses-22-26.

- 13: “For, brethren, ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another.
14. For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself.
15. But if ye bite and devour one another, take heed that ye be not consumed one of another.
16. This I say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

17. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh: and these are contrary the one to the other: so that ye cannot do the things that ye would.
19. Now the works of the flesh are manifest, which are these:
Adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness.
20. Idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies.
21. Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings, and such like:
of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that they which do such things shall not inherit the kingdom of God.
22. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith,
23. Meekness, temperance, against such there is no law.
24. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.
25. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.
26. Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another."

A Receiver of **GOD's HOLY GHOST/HOLY SPIRIT** will manifest and exhibit the characteristics of his/her Image-maker - **GOD**. Some of **GOD's** characteristics that we, too, must exhibit:

1. **HE** is **Holy**.

*Luke 1:35:

“And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.”

2. **HE** is **Righteous**.

*I John 2:1:

“My little children, these things I write unto you, that you sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.”

3. **HE** is **Good**.

*Matthew 19:17:

“And He said unto him, Why callest thou me good? There is none good but one, that is God.”

4. **HE** is **True**.

*I John 5:20

5. **HE** is the **“I AM THAT I AM!”**

May GOD forever BLESS YOU for your attentiveness to this IMPORTANT MATTER!