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The Ministries of God the Holy Spirit Today: Sealing, Filling Ephesians 4:3–5; 5:18

The Ministries of God the Holy Spirit Today

To the world:

Restraining Convicting

At the time of salvation:

Regeneration Baptism Indwelling • Sealing

• Filling

Eph. 4:3, "making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

Eph. 4:4, "There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling;" [~RD]





Temporal Realities





The Ministries of God the Holy Spirit Today

The Ministry of God the Holy Spirit to the World

Restraining

Convicting Unbelievers

John 16:8, "And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:

John 16:9, "of sin, because they do not believe in Me;

John 16:10, "of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more;

John 16:11, "of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged."

Regeneration

<u>Eph. 4:18</u>, "having their understanding darkened, <u>being alienated from the life</u> <u>of God</u>, because of the ignorance that is in them, because of the blindness of their heart;" John 3:3, "Jesus answered and said to him, 'Most assuredly, I say to you, <u>unless one is born again, he cannot see</u> <u>the kingdom of God</u>.'" <u>Titus 3:5,</u> "not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His <u>mercy</u> He saved us, through the washing of <u>regeneration even the renewing of the</u> <u>Holy Spirit,</u>" ~RD

> ἕλεος eleos neut sing dat "kindness or concern expressed for someone in need, mercy, compassion, clemency" unmerited kindness, the expression of God's love toward those in desperate need. 2-707 chesed

The Baptism by the Holy Spirit

The baptism by means of the Holy Spirit is the work of Christ whereby at the moment of faith alone in Christ alone, **Christ uses the Holy Spirit to identify the** believer with His death, burial, and resurrection and places the believer into the body of Christ, the Church, as the Holy Spirit builds a new temple, which is the body of Christ. (Rom. 6:3–6)



Gal. 3:27, "For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ.

<u>Gal. 3:28,</u> "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free man, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus." There is no command to be baptized by the Spirit. It is automatic at the moment we trust in Christ.

In the same way, there is no command to be indwelt by God the Holy Spirit. At the instant of faith in Christ, along with regeneration, baptism by the Holy Spirit, we are indwelt by God the Holy Spirit.

The INDWELLING of the Holy Spirit





<u>1 Cor. 3:16,</u> "Do you not know that you are the <u>temple of God</u> and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?"

<u>1 Cor. 6:19</u>, "Or do you not know that your body is <u>the temple of the Holy</u> <u>Spirit</u> who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own?" <u>Rom. 8:9,</u> "But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed <u>the Spirit of</u> <u>God dwells in you</u>. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His." Eph. 2:21, "in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord,

Eph. 2:22, "in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit."

The SEALING by the Holy Spirit









Definition

The seal by the Spirit is the downpayment that certifies God's ownership and protection which secures the salvation of the Church Age believer from the moment of faith when the Holy Spirit indwells until ultimate salvation in glorification is realized. <u>Eph. 1:13,</u> "In Whom (Him), you also when you heard the word of truth (the gospel of your salvation)—In Whom (Him), when you believed—you <u>were sealed by the</u> <u>Holy Spirit</u> of promise," [~RD] <u>Eph. 1:13</u>, "In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with [by] the Holy Spirit of promise,"

Eph. 4:30, "And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, <u>by whom</u> you were sealed for the day of redemption."
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πιστεύω pisteuo

aor act part masc plur nom to believe, trust <u>Eph. 1:13,</u> "In Whom (Him), you also when you heard the word of truth (the gospel of your salvation)—In Whom (Him), when you believed—you were sealed <u>by the</u> <u>Holy Spirit of promise</u>," [~RD]

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2 plur aor pass indic

to seal

Lead document seal decorated with the foreparts of a lion attacking a goat. Culture, Roman, 1st or 2nd Century AD John 14:16, "And I will pray the Father, and <u>He will give you another Helper</u>, that He may abide with you forever—"

John 14:26, "But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all things that I said to you."

John 15:26, "But when the Helper comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will testify of Me." The real importance of the seal is a legal one: the owner puts his mark on his possessions, his beasts ... and thereby guards his property against theft. To that extent one can call it a protecting sign or a guarantee.

~NIDNTT

John 16:7, "Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you." Acts 1:8, "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." Eph 4:30, "Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you have been sealed to the day of redemption."

2 Cor. 1:22, "who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee."

What the Bible Teaches About

The FILLING by the Holy Spirit

Acts 2:2, "And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting.

Acts 2:3, "Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them.

Acts 2:4, "And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance."

"The Scriptures bear a decisive testimony that the filling of the Holy Spirit is a repeated experience. The early church was filled with the Spirit on the Day of Pentecost (Acts 2:4). In Acts 4:8, Peter is mentioned as again being filled with the Holy Spirit, and the entire company gathered at Jerusalem to hear Peter's report of his encounter with the Sanhedrin are again filled with the Holy Spirit (Acts 4:31). Stephen, originally chosen a deacon because he was filled with the Spirit, is revealed to have been 'full of the Holy Spirit' immediately before his martyrdom (Acts 7:55). Both Paul and Barnabas are found filled with the Holy Spirit at widely differing periods of their lives (Acts 9:17; 11:24; 13:9, 52). The evidence for the experimental nature of the filling of the Holy Spirit is fully sustained in every instance."

~John Walvoord, The Holy Spirit, 195

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πίμπλημι *pimplēmi* w/ genitive

Eph. 5:18, "And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit,"

πληρόω *plēroō* 2 plur pres pass impera to fill; fulfill ἐν πνεύματι, *en pneumati*, dative, means, "by means of the Spirit"

Acts 4:8, "Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, 'Rulers of the people and elders of Israel:'"

πίμπλημι pimplēmi w/ genitive

<u>Acts 4:31</u>, "And when they had prayed, the place where they were assembled together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness."

πίμπλημι pimplēmi w/ genitive

Acts 7:55, "But he, being <u>full of the Holy</u> <u>Spirit</u>, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God,"

πλήρης plērēs (adj) w/ genitive

Acts 9:17, "And Ananias went his way and entered the house; and laying his hands on him he said, 'Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.'"

πίμπλημι *pimplēmi* 2 sing aor pass <u>subj</u> to fill, fulfill

Acts 11:24, "For he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord."

πλήρης plērēs w/ genitive

Acts 13:9, "Then Saul, who also is called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked intently at him."

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1. Different verbs though cognates do not have the same meaning.

2. Adjectives based on the same root do not necessarily have the same meaning.



πίμ<u>πλημι pimplē</u>mi πληρόω plēroō πλήρης plērēs

<u>Acts 6:3</u>, "Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, <u>full</u> of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business;"

μαρτυρέω *martureo* pres pass part masc plur acc

to bear witness; to give testimony, to testify

πλήρης *plērēs*Adjective
acc masc plur full
followed by the genitive of description, content <u>Acts 9:36</u>, "At Joppa there was a certain disciple named Tabitha, which is translated Dorcas. This woman was <u>full of good works and charitable deeds</u> which she did."

Acts 11:24, "For he was a good man, <u>full of the Holy</u> Spirit and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord."

Acts 13:10, "and said, 'O <u>full of all deceit and all</u> <u>fraud</u>, you son of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease perverting the straight ways of the Lord?"

Acts 19:28, "Now when they heard this, they were <u>full of wrath</u> and cried out, saying, 'Great is Diana of the Ephesians!'"

Luke 4:1, "Then Jesus, being filled with the Holy Spirit [full of the Holy Spirit], returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness," Luke 1:41, "And it happened, when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, that the babe leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit."

πίμπλημι *pimplēmi* wl genitive

Luke 1:41, "And it happened, when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, that the babe leaped in her womb; and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit.

Luke 1:42, "Then she spoke out with a loud voice and said, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb!'"

πίμπλημι *pimplēmi* w/ genitive

Luke 1:67, "Now his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Spirit, and prophesied, saying:

Luke 1:68, "'Blessed is the Lord God of Israel, for He has visited and redeemed His people,'"

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ἀσωτία *asōtia* fem sing nom 1. excess, incurable, unhealthy, dissipation; 2. wild and disorderly conduct (Cleon Rogers)