THE GREAT COMMISSION

Infallible proofs
Acts 1:3; John 20:20

Jesus’ last command:

“And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.”
Luke 24:45-49

“He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. And these signs shall follow them that believe.”
Mark 16:15-18

“Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.”
Matt 28:18-20

“But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me.”
Acts 1:4-8

Mount Olivet
Ascension
Luke 24:50-51;
Acts 1:9-11

Disciples go to Jerusalem to wait.
Acts 1:12

LESSON 8 CHART 1
SIX DISPENSATION—“GRACE”  
(THE CHURCH BEGINS)

Ephesians 5:25-27

“And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.”

Acts 2:4

“Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. 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 2:38-39

Joel 2:28-29  
Isaiah 28:10-12  
Ezekiel 11:19-20  
Jeremiah 31:31-33
“REPENT, AND BELIEVE THE GOSPEL”

Mark 1:14-15; Acts 20:20-21

How do we repent?

• Choose to turn from actions that lead to death. Ezekiel 18:23; Acts 26:18, 20
• Surrender our self-rule. Romans 6:6-13; Galatians 5:24; Colossians 3:3
• Call upon the Lord; confess and forsake sins. Acts 2:21; 22:16; Romans 10:12-13; I John 1:9; Ephesians 4:22
• Promise to love, serve, and obey Him. John 12:26; 14:23

What must we believe?

• The gospel! (Acknowledge and identify with Christ’s death, burial, and resurrection.) Romans 1:16; 6:3-8, 11; 10:9-10; I Corinthians 15:1-4; Galatians 2:20
• Jesus’ blood legally redeemed us from sin. Heb 9:12; I Peter 1:18-19; Rev 5:9
• Jesus is the Christ. (Salvation in no other name.) John 20:31; Acts 4:12; 9:20-22

What begins when we repent and believe?

• We turn from Satan’s rule to the lordship of Christ. Hebrews 2:14-15; Romans 6:16-22
• Sins are forgiven. Acts 3:19; 26:18; Ephesians 1:7; I John 1:7-9

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CAUTION

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WATER BAPTISM—SIGN OF NEW COVENANT

OLD SIGN

Circumcision of flesh
Genesis 17:10-14

Circumcision of the heart
Colossians 2:11-12; Romans 2:28-29

NEW SIGN

Why should I be baptized in water?

• A Command
• Remission of Sins
• A Clear Conscience

• At repentance, the “old man” died. In water baptism, the “old man” is buried.
• Identify with Christ
THE COVENANT NAME

“Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost.” Matthew 28:19

The name of the Father is:
(“I am come in my Father’s Name.”) John 5:43

The name of the Son is:
(“Thou shalt call his name JESUS.”) Matthew 1:21

The name of the Holy Ghost is:
(“The Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name.”) John 14:26

“Neither is there salvation in any other; for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.” Acts 4:12

Examples of water baptism in the Book of Acts
• Taught in the epistles
  Galatians 3:27; Romans 6:3-5; Colossians 2:11-12

3,000 believers baptized on Day of Pentecost
Acts 2:38-41

The Samaritan believers
Acts 8:16

Cornelius, his family, and friends
Acts 10:48

Disciples of John
Acts 19:5

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LESSON 8

CHART 5
**THE HOLY SPIRIT IS GIVEN TO “BELIEVERS”**

First believe . . .

- “And these signs shall follow them that believe . . .”
- “He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water . . .”
- “Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and . . .”
- “After that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, . . .”
- “How much more shall your heavenly Father give . . .”

. . . Then receive!

- . . . In my name...they shall speak with new tongues.” Mark 16:17
- . . . (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive.” John 7:38-39
- . . . ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.” Acts 2:38
- . . . ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise.” Ephesians 1:13
- . . . the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?” Luke 11:13

“God gave them the like gift as he did unto us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ.” Acts 11:17

“Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?” Acts 19:2
# The Purpose of the Holy Spirit

## What is the Holy Spirit?

- **God’s new manifestation**
  - John 4:24; 7:37-39

- **Promise of Father**

- **The Comforter**
  - John 15:26; 16:7

- **A seal of ownership**
  - Ephesians 1:13-14; 4:30; II Corinthians 1:22

- **A witness that we dwell in Him and He in us**
  - I John 3:24; 4:13; Galatians 4:6; Acts 15:8

## Why receive the Holy Spirit?

- **Brings rest, peace, and joy**
  - Isaiah 28:11-12; Romans 14:17

- **Helps us pray**
  - Romans 8:26; Jude 20
  - I Corinthians 14:14-15

- **Gives power over the enemy**
  - Luke 10:19-20; Isaiah 59:19
  - I Corinthians 14:14-15

- **Teaches, guides, shows us things to come**
  - John 14:26; 16:13

- **Gives power to witness**

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- **Open the door to other gifts of the Spirit**
  - I Corith., chapters 12 - 14
THE FIRST EVIDENCE OF BEING BAPTIZED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT—SPEAKING WITH OTHER TONGUES

Why did God choose tongues?

- **God is sovereign.** Isaiah 40:13-14
- **From the heart, the mouth speaketh.** Matthew 12:34
- **Chief means of expression.** Proverbs 18:20-21; James 3:3-5
- **Tongue is most difficult member to control.** James 3:5-8
- **An obvious, external, uniform sign.** Acts 11:15-17
HAVE YOU RECEIVED THE HOLY GHOST SINCE YOU BELIEVED?

Repent and believe the gospel. Ask Jesus to be Lord of your life.

STEP 1

STEP 2
Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38

STEP 3
Be comfortable.
Acts 2:2

STEP 4
Ask and believe for God’s gift.

STEP 5
Offer a sacrifice of praise.
Hebrews 13:15; Psalm 116:17

STEP 6
Let the Spirit submerge and flow out of you.
John 7:37-38

STEP 7
Become as a little child. Surrender your tongue to the Spirit’s control.

Matt 18:2-4; Gal. 4:6; Isaiah 28:11; Acts 2:4

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I thank You, Jesus, for dying for my sins. You are my Savior. I appreciate Your love and the promise of the Holy Ghost ...