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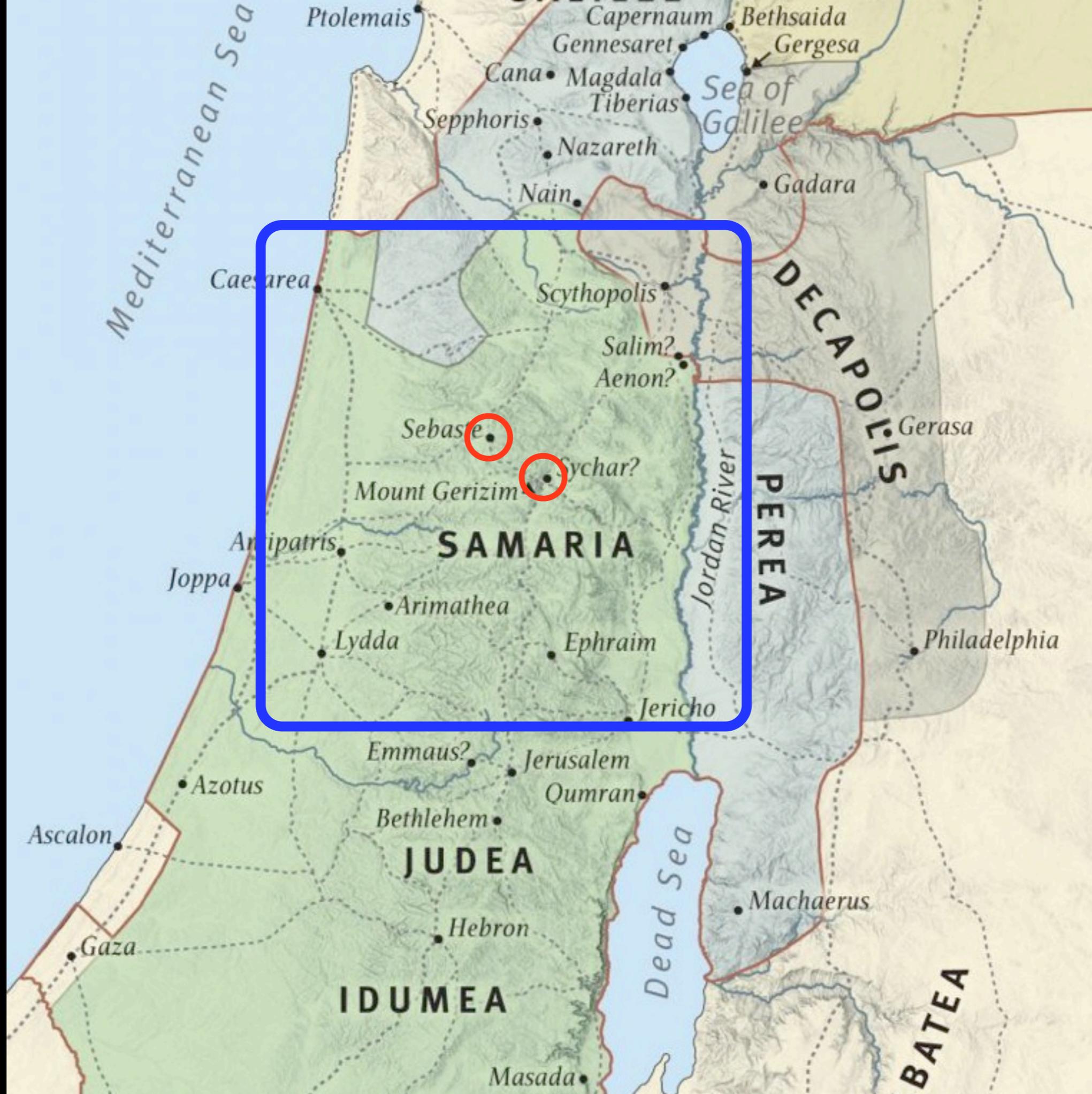
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The Acts of the Apostles “To the end of the earth” Acts 1:8

What and When is the Baptism of the Spirit? Acts 8:14–18





Acts 8:14, “Now when the apostles who were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them,

Acts 8:15, “who, when they had come down, prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit.

Acts 8:16, “For as yet He had fallen upon none of them. They had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

Acts 8:17, “Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.”

Compare/Contrast Different “Pentecosts” in Acts

Acts 2	Acts 8	Acts 10	Acts 19
Only the twelve, 2:1 Already believers.	They believed, 8:12a	Peter came to Gentiles in Caesarea, 10	Paul came to Ephesus, 19
Noise like wind, 2:2	Baptized by water, 8:12b	(They believed while hearing)	(They had already believed via John the Baptist)
Tongues of fire appear, 2:3	Peter and John came, 8:14	The HS “fell,” 10:44 (poured out, 10:45)	Then were baptized by water in the name of Jesus, 19:5
<i>Filled</i> with the Spirit then they speak with tongues, 2:4	P & J prayed, then laid hands on them, then they <i>received</i> the HS, 8:15-17	Spoke in tongues and praised God, 10:46	Paul laid hands on them, 19:19:6a
No laying on of hands	No tongues	Then were baptized by water, 10:47	The HS “came,” 19:6b
Baptism mentioned in Acts 2:38		No laying on of hands	Spoke in tongues and prophesying, 19:6c

Acts 2:38, “Then Peter said to them, ‘Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.’ ”

Acts 10:47, “Can anyone forbid water, that these should not be baptized who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?”

THE BAPTISM OF THE SPIRIT, THE MECHANICS

1. BHS did not occur in the Old Testament.

**2. The first BHS occurred on the day of Pentecost,
ca 33 AD.**

3. The BHS has become a controversial doctrine because of the Pentecostal-Charismatic movement.

4. The problem derives from the English of the KJV.

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1 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 all made to drink into one Spirit.”

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En plus the dative,

By means of the Spirit

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Problem:

**Pentecostal-Charismatic theology
ends up with two baptisms of the Holy
Spirit:**

one *with* the Holy Spirit *at* salvation,

one *by* the Holy Spirit *after* salvation.

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εἰς, eis

**With the
accusative
indicating
direction, goal**

John hit the ball with [by means of] the bat.

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Verb

John hit the ball with [by *means of*] the bat.

Subj Verb

Active voice: the subject (JOHN) performs the action

John hit the ball with [by *means of*] the bat.

Subj Verb Object

The OBJECT receives the action of the verb.

John hit the ball with [by *means of*] the bat.

Subj Verb Object instrumental/means

Rendered with a passive verb

The ball was hit with [by] the bat.

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The ball was hit with [by] the bat.

“was hit” is passive voice, the subject receives the action of the verb.

Rendered with a passive verb

The ball was hit by John with [by] the bat.

Subj

verb

performer

/agent

means

Rendered with a passive verb

The ball was hit by John with [by] the bat.

Subj verb performer/agent means

Greek uses

εν *en*

υπο, *hupo* or δια, *dia*

5. BHS was first prophesied by John the Baptist at the incarnation; and Jesus Christ in Acts 1:5. At those times the BHS was future.

6. In Matt., the subject of the active voice verb is Jesus Christ. It is Jesus Christ who performs the action of baptism by means of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 3:11, “I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but HE that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: HE shall baptize you with the Holy Spirit, and with fire:”

**Matt. 3:11, “As for me, I baptize [pres active ind] you
with water [*en hudati*]
for [*eis*] repentance,**

**but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, and I
am not fit to remove His sandals;**

**He will baptize you
with the Holy Spirit [*en pneumatī*] and fire.”**

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***en* expresses means or instrument**

***eis*, expresses the goal, or direction**

The grammatical subject is the agent of the action.

**Acts 1:5, “for John baptized [act] with
water [*en hudatī*], but you will be
baptized [future pass] with the Holy
Spirit [*en pneumatī*] not many days
from now.”**

1 Cor. 10:2, “and all were baptized [aor passive] **into** [*eis*] Moses **in** [*en*] the cloud and **in** [*en*] the sea;”

1 Cor. 12:13, “For **by one Spirit** [*en pneumatī*] we were all baptized [*aor pass ind*] **into** [*eīs*] one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.”

7. Mechanics: 1 Cor. 12:13 – Jesus Christ uses the Holy Spirit to identify the believer with Christ.

Just as John used water to identify the believer with repentance.

Baptism by means of the Holy Spirit

John
Matt. 3:11

En hudati
By water

eis metanioan
For repentance

Jesus
Matt. 3:11

En pneumatī
By the Spirit

unstated

Unstated
1 Cor. 10:2

En nephele
En thalasse
By the cloud, sea

Eis Mosen
Into Moses

Unstated
1 Cor. 12:13

En pneumatī
By the Spirit

eis soma
Into the body

**Performer
of the
Action**

Action

New State

*To identify
the person
with*

uses

**John the
Baptist**

Water

Repentance

*To identify
the person
with*

uses

Jesus Christ

**The Holy
Spirit**

**Himself: death,
burial,
resurrection—into
His body.**

8. Unification among believers is achieved by the BHS, Eph. 4:5 – one Lord, one faith, one baptism.

Eph. 4:4, “There is one body and one Spirit, just as also you were called in one hope of your calling;

Eph. 4:5, “one Lord, one faith, one baptism,”

9. Implications in Gal. 3:23–25, no longer distinctions of races, sex, and economics, and social distinctions do not apply to our relationship with God. This is not saying that everyone is reduced to the same level, but elevates all to a higher level than the Old Testament priesthood.”

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

Gal. 3:28, “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.”

10. BHS provides retroactive identification with the death, burial and resurrection of Christ which is the basis for victory over the sin nature. Rom. 6:3–5

**11. BHS began the Church Age, Matt. 16:15, cf.,
Acts 1:5, 11:15, 17.**

**12. BHS is the basis for positional truth.
Eph. 1:3–6**

13. BHS is not an experience of any kind.

**14. The BHS places us *In Christ* and *In His Body*.
This is what is being formed during this
period.**