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EPHESIANS

THE WEALTH, WALK
& WARFARE
OF THE BELIEVER

**The Ministries of God the Holy Spirit Today:
Baptism, Indwelling
Ephesians 4:3–5**

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;”

1 Cor. 12:13, “For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free—and have all been made to drink into one Spirit.”

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**Temporal
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The Ministries of God the Holy Spirit Today



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**The Ministry of God
the Holy Spirit
to the World**



What The Bible Teaches About Restraining



2 Thess. 2:6, “And now you know what is **restraining**, that he may be revealed in his own time.

2 Thess. 2:7, “For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now **restrains** will do so until He is taken out of the way.”

**κατέχω *katechon* pres act part
neut sing acc**

BDAG: “to prevent the doing of something or cause to be ineffective, *prevent, hinder, restrain*” *The one who restrains*

As a work of common grace, God the Holy Spirit restrains evil and lawlessness during this Church Age, in order to provide stable environments for evangelism, spiritual growth, and missions.

The Holy Spirit restrains through government, through the presence of the Church, through thwarting Satan in his designs, through individual conscience, and providential prevention of the evil plans of human beings.

**What The Bible Teaches
About**

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.”

**What The Bible Teaches
About**

Regeneration



The problem: we are born spiritually dead

Eph. 2:1, “And you were dead in your trespasses and sins,”

What is *spiritual* death?

Separation from the life of God, Eph. 4:18.

Eph. 4:18, “having their understanding darkened, being alienated from the life of God, 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, unless one is born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.’ ”

John 1:12, “But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name:

John 1:13, “who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.”

Titus 3:5, “not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration even the renewing of the Holy Spirit,” ~RD

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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. חֶסֶד *chesed*

What The Bible Teaches About

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)

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**βαπτίζω *baptizō* 1 plur aor
pass indic
“to baptize,
wash ceremonially, purify,
plunge, dip, immerse”
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immersion**

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Baptism with the Spirit

These all translate the exact same phrase in the Greek.

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**ἐν ... πνεύματι
*en ... pneumatī***

There is one baptism by means of the Holy Spirit.

Christ performs the baptism

The instrument used to effect the identification is the Spirit.

The new condition is into the body of Christ, identification with Christ in His death, burial, and resurrection.

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.”

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Heb. 11:6, “But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.”

Is. 64:6, “But we are all like an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are like filthy rags;”

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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.

What The Bible Teaches About

The INDWELLING of the Holy Spirit



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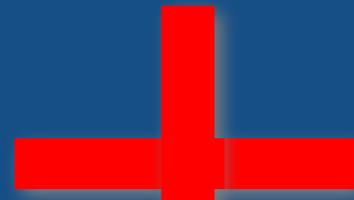
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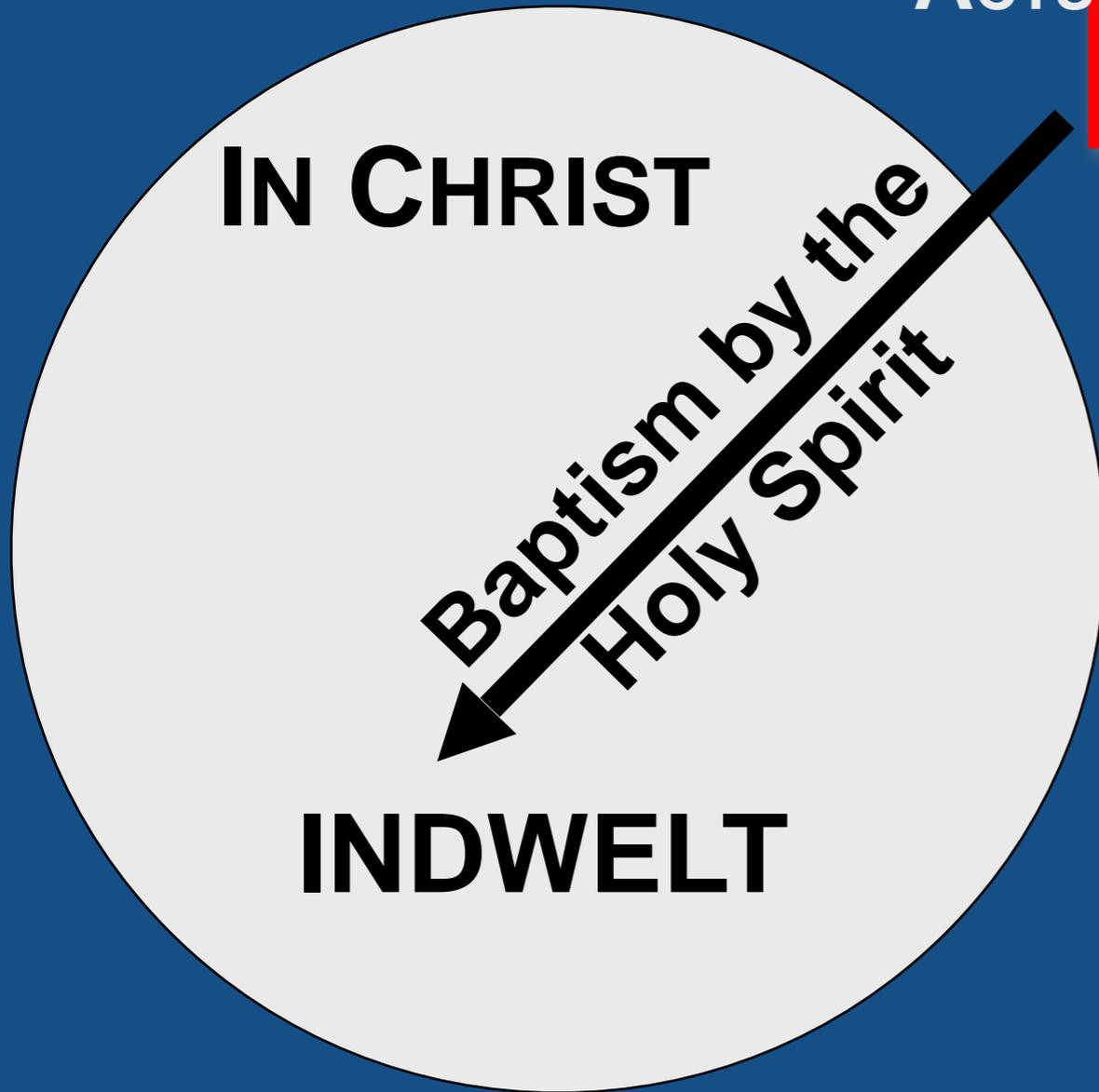
REGENERATED

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1 Cor. 3:16, “Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?”

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acc
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1 Cor. 6:19, “Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own?”

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Eph. 2:19, “Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God,

Eph. 2:20, “having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone,

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.”

Rom. 8:9, “But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His.”

John 14:16, “I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—

John 14:17, “the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.”

1 John 2:27, “But the anointing which you have received from Him abides in you, and you do not need that anyone teach you; but as the same anointing teaches you concerning all things, and is true, and is not a lie, and just as it has taught you, you will abide in Him.”