

BAPTISM OF THE SPIRIT: THE HOLY SPIRIT AT PENTECOST

**Acts 2:1-13; John 14:15-18;
1 Corinthians 6:19-20;
Ephesians 1:13-14**

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Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

BIBLICAL PASSAGE

MEMORY VERSE

Delivered As Promised. Better Than Expected.

That was our critique of a stain remover a friend recommended to us. Being in the restaurant business has wreaked havoc on many sets of clothes. This friend recommended a brand of mail-order cleaner we had never heard of. Unsure, yet trusting our friend, we placed an order and tried it. Wow! The stuff delivered as promised. It was better than we expected.

Read Acts 2:1-13. What an amazing account of the coming of the promised Spirit! John wrote that Jesus would send the Holy Spirit to serve as Counselor, Comforter, and Guide (John 14 and 16). Jesus said the Spirit would guide them in all truth and bring glory to Him by making the things of

Jesus known to His followers. At Pentecost, the Spirit came in power and in truth, delivered as promised and better than expected.

Are your teens grounded in the knowledge of who the Holy Spirit is? Are they being transformed by His guidance, truth, and comfort? Do they have ears to hear His voice?

You have the amazing opportunity to model an intimate relationship with God to your children. Discuss with your teens your trust and dependence in the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Teach them what it looks like to have a life guided by the voice of the Spirit.

FAMILY DEVOTIONAL TIME

Connect . . .

Discuss: What are some of your favorite commercials on television of products you use on a regular basis? Do the products deliver what the ads promise? More than expected?

Explore . . .

Have someone read Ephesians 1:13-14. **Read:** We belong to God. If we believe in Him, we are marked with the seal of the Holy Spirit, just as Jesus promised. The Holy Spirit guarantees our inheritance of redemption as a son or daughter of God.

Read John 14:15-18. **Read:** I am not an orphan. God our Father in Heaven has given to me the Counselor who is with me forever. He is the Spirit of truth; He lives with me and lives in me.

Read: Most people know that the Holy Spirit is a member of the Holy Trinity. But few relate to the Spirit as God, fully present and fully powerful. The Holy Spirit is the permanent gift of God to those who believe and trust in Jesus.

Transform . . .

Discuss: How does the fact that the Holy Spirit is God and is here with us change our everyday lives?

Pray together that God will give you ears to hear the voice of the Holy Spirit. Pray that the Holy Spirit will help you become more sensitive to His guidance in your everyday life.