

Jesus' relationship with the Holy Spirit

1. The Holy Spirit PRODUCED the miracle of Jesus birth

Luke 1:26-38. God sent the angel Gabriel to Nazareth, The virgin's name was Mary....the angel said to her, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favour with God. ³¹ You will conceive and give birth to a son, and you are to call him Jesus.....³⁴ "How will this be," Mary asked the angel, "since I am a virgin?" ³⁵ The angel answered, "The Holy Spirit will come on you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the holy one to be born will be called the Son of God."

Matthew 1:18. This is how the birth of Jesus the Messiah came about - His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be pregnant through the Holy Spirit.

▣ **Jesus – son of man and son of God**

Lesson: Jesus was birthed of the Holy Spirit - so we need to be Born Again by the Holy Spirit

2. Jesus received the POWER of the Holy Spirit.

▣ **The Holy Spirit came upon Jesus**

➤ Filled, baptised, came upon, poured out, etc – all these words are used about the same experience.

*Matthew 3:11-17. ... But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. **He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.**As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. **At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him.** ¹⁷ And a voice from heaven said, “This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased.”*

▣ **Jesus was led by the Holy Spirit into a time of intense testing**

*Matthew 4:1. Then Jesus was **led by the Spirit** into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.*

▣ **Jesus returned from his time of testing in the power of the Spirit**

*Luke 4:14. Jesus returned to Galilee in the **power of the Spirit**, and news about him spread through the whole countryside.*

▣ **Jesus was anointed by the Spirit for ministry**

*Luke 4:18-19. “The **Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me** to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, ¹⁹ to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.”*

- **To proclaim the good news to the poor**
- **To proclaim freedom to the prisoners**
- **The recovery of sight to the blind**
- **To set the oppressed free**
- **To proclaim the year of the Lords favour**

The Holy Spirit came upon Jesus at the age of 30 to give him power to minister for the next three and a half years!

- **Jesus had no sin yet he needed the power of the Holy Spirit to minister.**

Lesson: If Jesus needed the infilling and power of the Holy Spirit to minister – how much more do we.

3. Jesus PROMISED the Holy Spirit to His followers

- **Jesus told his followers – I am going away but, the Holy Spirit is coming!**
- **In John chapters 14, 15 and 16 Jesus introduced the Person, Presence and Power of the Holy Spirit**

John 14:16. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever—

John 14:26. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

John 15:26. When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father—he will testify about me.

John 16:7. But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

- ▣ **Jesus told his followers to wait for the Holy Spirit to come to them**

Luke 24:49. I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.

Acts 1:4-5.while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: “Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. ⁵ For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”

- They were to ‘Stay, Wait, Tarry – until...’

- ▣ **Jesus told his followers that the Holy Spirit would give them power to be his witnesses**

Acts 1:8. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

Lesson: The same Holy Spirit that had empowered Jesus ministry would be available to his followers.

4. Jesus POURED out the Holy Spirit on all who waited!

- **The Holy Spirit filled those who Jesus told to wait until...**

Acts 2:1-4. When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

This outpouring of the Holy Spirit shook Jerusalem, established the church & transformed society

- **Jesus received the Holy Spirit from the Father and poured him out upon all who were waiting.**

Acts 2:33. Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear

- **Jesus was raised from the dead, ascended to the right hand of the Father, received the promised Holy Spirit from the Father and poured out what you see and hear!**
- **What did they ‘see and hear’?**

Jesus poured out the Holy Spirit and the Church was born!

- **An amazing visitation of God’s grace and power swept across the then known world**

Lesson: Jesus promised the Person, Presence and Power of the Holy Spirit to every believer – even us today!

Summary...

Jesus was fully dependent upon the Person, Presence and Power of the Holy Spirit.

In Acts 1:8 Jesus said: “But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

What will our response be to the promise of the Holy Spirit?