

Testimony of Receiving the Fullness of the Holy Spirit

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Salvation

I received Jesus as my personal Saviour when I was 11years old, in the Anglican Church Sunday School in Orakei, Auckland.

My Sunday School teacher prayed with me and led me.

Surrender

At 19years old I surrendered my whole life to the Lordship of Jesus Christ.

I did this, because, **in a Christian gathering Jesus stood in front of me and said**, “If you keep going on the way you are going, your relationship with Me will come to an end”.

I had been reading the Bible and praying, and trying to live for Jesus, but at the same time was mixed up with wrong company and doing wrong things.

So, after Jesus spoke to me, I went to my house.

I lay face down on the floor and surrendered everything I could think of to Jesus.- my hands, my feet, my eyes, my ears, my mouth, my mind, my body, my time, my way, my future, my possessions, and my whole life.

This was a very great change in my life.

When I got up I was a different person.

I went around and told all my friends what I had done, so that they would know what I thought.

Sanctification and fullness with the Holy Spirit

At the age of 29years, when I was married and we had three children, I met a young man called Neil, who was 18years, and I saw in him a relationship with God that I knew I needed.

So I asked him what he had in his Christian life that I did not have?

He said that he had received the Baptism or fullness of the Holy Spirit. Matthew 3:11, Acts 1:5.

I asked him how he had received this Baptism or fullness of the Holy Spirit but he would not tell me.

He said, “You seek God yourself and He will show you”.

So for many months I prayed to God for the fullness of the Holy Spirit, staying up at night to pray and ask God.

After 7 months, one night, as I prayed, I saw a vision, of one word in gold letters: **“GIFT”**.

I had been trying to be more holy, get rid of sin, read the Bible more and so on, so that I could receive this fullness.

After I had the vision, I accepted the fullness of the Holy Spirit as a gift, and thanked God daily for it many times.

After one week my life was changed in the following ways:

I had a new joy in my heart in God.

The Bible was much more alive than ever before.

My prayer life was flowing along with God and not a struggle of routine prayers.

I had a new freedom from sinful habits, and a new victory over sin.

My faith and belief in God and His Word was a lot stronger.

I was able to talk to people about Jesus, a lot more freely and boldly.

Many doors opened for sharing Jesus, and teaching the Word of God, with many groups of children, teens and adults.

Here are some Scriptures that helped me to find out about the Baptism and Fullness of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 3:11, Matthew 7:7, 8, John 4:10, 14, John 7:37-39, Luke 11:13, Luke 24:49, John 14:16, 17, 26, John 16:7-15,

John 20:22, Acts 1:4-8, Acts 2:1-4, Acts 2:14-18, Acts 2:38, 39, Acts 4:29-31, Acts 6:3, Acts 8:14-17, Acts 10:44-48,

Acts 11:14-16, Acts 19:1-6, Ephesians 5:17-21, 2Timothy1:7, Titus 3:5, 6.

Conditions for receiving the fullness of the Holy Spirit:

Converted

Be converted and born again as in John 3:3, 5, Acts 16:31, Romans 10:9, 10.

Cleansed

Be washed from all sins in the Blood of Jesus, by faith in God’s Word. 1John 1:7, 9, Revelation 1:5, 1Peter 1:18, 19.

Consecrated

Surrender your whole life to the Lordship of Jesus Christ. Luke 6:46,

Claim

Receive by faith God’s Promise of the fullness of the Holy Spirit.

