Baptism of the Holy Spirit

- I. The Baptism of the Holy Spirit is a function of the third person of the Trinity which did not occur before the Church Age.
 - 1. The Priesthood of Levi was inadequate for the intensified conflict.
 - With the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ, it was impossible to continue in a dispensation of specialized Priesthood.
 - 3. There must be a universal Priesthood.
 - 4. Every believer must be able to have a personal representation before God, because every believer is a target of Satan.
 - 5. In this dispensation of the Church Age, a total change has occurred. A change which makes every believer what Melchizedek was and what Jesus Christ is at the right hand of the Father that is a Royal Priest.

THEREFORE, THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IS DESIGNED TO TAKE EVERY BELIEVER IN THE CHURCH AGE AND RELATE THAT PERSON TO THE CROSS OF THE LORD JESUS CHRIST!

- II. The Baptism of the Holy Spirit did not occur until the day of Pentecost because He was prophesied (John 14:20; Acts 1:5).
- III. I Corinthians 12:13 gives details of the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. It is identification with death, burial, resurrection, etc.
- IV. Unification of believers is achieved by the Baptism of the Holy Spirit (Eph. 4:5). This is a "DRY" baptism.
- V. Galatians 3:26-28 The only equality on this earth comes from the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. This passage deals with a Spirit baptism not a water baptism.
- VI. Retroactive positional truth means that at the point of salvation, we are retroactively identified with the death of Jesus Christ on the cross (Col. 3:1, 2).

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- VII. The Baptism of the Holy Spirit is also related to *PRESENT TIME POSITIONAL TRUTH* (Eph. 1:3-6; Col. 2:10). Jesus is resurrected, sitting at God's right hand. We are in union with Him, therefore, we share at this very moment everything He has: heirship, election, destiny, son-ship, eternal life, righteousness, etc. *WE HAVE VICTORY*.
- VIII. The Baptism of the Holy Spirit began the Church Age (Matt. 16:18; Acts 1:5; Acts 2:3; Acts 11:15-17).
- IX. What the Baptism is not: ecstatics or tongues (1 Cor. 12:13).
- X. The Baptism occurs at the point of belief (Col. 2:12; 1 Cor. 12:13 "belief in the truth"). The Baptism occurs at the moment one believes the truth; Christ is the Truth!
- XI. Seven Baptisms (Real and Ritual)
 - 1. Real
 - > Cross
 - > Fire
 - ➤ Holy Spirit
 - Moses
 - 2. Ritual
 - > Jesus Christ
 - > John
 - > Christian
- XII. Romans 8:28-39 shows that the Baptism of the Holy Spirit assures Eternal Life. Can you commit a sin greater than the plan of God? No sin, however great, can cancel God's love. This concept gives no grounds for liberty to disobey God, but rather a deep desire to respond consistently and faithfully to Him.