

# The Eternal Spirit Pentecost

by Willie Mullan

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*Willie Mullan's sermon explores the significance of the baptism of the Spirit, emphasizing immersion and the transformative power of the Holy Spirit in the life of believers.*

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## Description

Willie Mullan emphasizes the significance of the baptism of the Holy Spirit, explaining its consistent meaning throughout the New Testament. He clarifies that baptism signifies immersion, using examples from the Gospels to illustrate the different types of baptisms, including John's baptism of repentance and the baptism of Jesus. Mullan highlights that the baptism of the Spirit unites believers into one body, transcending cultural and ethnic boundaries, as seen in the events of Pentecost and the early church. He stresses that this baptism is not an individual experience but a collective one for all true followers of Christ. The sermon concludes with a call to understand the true nature of the Spirit's baptism and its implications for the church today.

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## Transcript

We're looking at the baptism of the Spirit this evening. And all of you must know that they're half arrayed themselves, arguments and debates down through the years around this mighty doctrine, the baptism of the Spirit. They won't debate or won't argue, we believe that to come.

No, we just want to make the Bible do the work, and if you watch the Bible, let's see what the Bible says. That's the idea of Bible readings. But this word baptism is a word we must look at, of course.

Because it's the same right through the New Testament, no matter what baptism you're looking at, it has a certain meaning. Because it must have the same meaning the whole way through, it's a word, isn't it? Let me show you its innermost meaning, first of all. Come to John's Gospel, chapter 13, please.

The Gospel of John, chapter 13. And our Lord Jesus Christ is in the upper room with his disciples. And you remember how he washed their feet and left, in this particular example.

We'll begin at verse 21. When Jesus had dusted, he was troubled in spirit, and testified and said, Then the disciples looked one on another, looking round at each other, doubting of whom he spake. Now there was

leaning on Jesus' bosom one of his disciples, which Jesus loved, it was John himself.

This is the way he hides himself, by taking these sort of lovely phrases, whom Jesus loved. Simon Peter therefore beckoned to him, that he should ask who it should be of whom he spake. He then, lying on Jesus' breast, said unto him, Lord, who is it? Jesus answered, He it is to whom I shall give a sop, when I have dipped it.

And when he had dipped the sop, and it's the word dipped that we're at. Because this happens to be the word baptism, it's an old Greek word. Translated dipped here, and it's the word baptism come from in the Greek.

And of course the word dipped is the meaning of baptism. And you would have bothered getting sprinkling out of dipped, wouldn't you? This is what Jesus was doing. The common dish was in the middle of the table.

And Jesus took a morsel, and when he had dipped it, yes, it's the motion. In fact, this word is the word burial. When we talk about believer's baptism, we talk about being buried with Christ by baptism.

And it's dipped, it's put under, it's the very same idea that Lazarus is crying, the man in the hell is crying to Abraham and saying, send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger. And when he dips the tip of his finger, he's bringing it in the water, it's immersion, it's baptism. And there is no argument about it, it's easy the whole way through.

So that dipped, they used to call the Baptists and the Bedouins and the Pentecostals and the Apostolics, they used to call them dippers. Oh, well, it's perfectly right, that's exactly what they are. Yes.

Now, that's what we've got to get the hold of. We've got to get this quite clear now. And we've got to carry this thing into everywhere where we find this baptism.

No matter what baptism it is. We've got to carry it into baptism of the Spirit too, and we'll find we do. Now, let's have a look at all the different baptisms for a moment.

It will not take us too long. Let's go to Matthew's Gospel, chapter 3. Gospel by Matthew. And we're at the third chapter.

In those days came John the Baptist, preaching in the wilderness of Judea and saying, Repent ye, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. For this is he that was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his path straight. And the same John had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins, and his meat was locusts and wild honey.

Then went out to him Jerusalem, and all Judea, and all the region round about Jordan, and were baptized of him in Jordan, confessing their sins. Now, this is what is usually called the baptism of John. Sometimes it's called John's baptism.

Sometimes in the scriptures it's called the baptism of repentance. I just want you to get the phrases. It's John's baptism.

It's the baptism of repentance. I want you to get the hold of this. That John was the forerunner who came before the Lord Jesus.

And you know the spirit of God was upon him. And in fact, he was filled with the Holy Ghost from his mother's womb. And that's quite something, isn't it? And when this man went out to preach, the country was shaking.

And he was getting the nation that had got away from God. The nation was far away from God. And he was getting them to the place of repentance.

That there would be a people ready when the Lord would come. And this dipping them in the Jordan was just signifying this. That they had been so long and so far away from God that they deserved to die.

And they needed to go down into death. And this is what they were submitting themselves to as they repented. And it's just dipping them in the Jordan and burying them and their confessing that this is exactly what they need.

I don't think there's any problems with that. I want you to notice this. Way down at the end of the chapter.

Verse 13. Then cometh Jesus from Galilee to Jordan unto John to be baptized of him. But John forbade him, saying, I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me? And Jesus answering said unto him, Suffer it to be so now.

For thus it behoveth us to fulfill all righteousness when he suffered it. Now I don't want you to think that when Jesus was baptized by John that this was the baptism of repentance. That's why I'm making it a second issue.

Oh I believe that John buried him in the river alright. When we read of John in John's Gospel chapter 3 it says he was baptizing down at Salem in Jordan because there was much water there. There was plenty of water.

And the sprinkling of the mud you wouldn't need plenty. They had to bathe him. Now what is this baptism that our Lord Jesus is going through? You see our Lord Jesus Christ who was in the form of God and thought it not robbery to be equal with God and taken upon him the form of a servant.

And he had come to this planet of ours as God's servant. We were looking here on Sunday morning at God saying behold my servant. We were just looking at the servant of Jehovah.

And as the servant of Jehovah he must be the substitute for sinners. He was the Lamb of God. And he's submitting himself to this because he's actually saying in this testimonial of baptism they deserve to die but I will die for them.

And I'll go in and I'll go on there. But that's Christ's baptism. Don't get them mixed up.

That is not believer's baptism. You can see the baptism of John it was the baptism of repentance. You can see the baptism of our Lord Jesus.

Righteousness demanded that he take his place. He had come to die for poor lost sinners. Therefore it was right.

Now if you've got the chapter there's so much about baptism in this third chapter. You see verse 6 said all Judea had come out from the region round about Jordan and were baptized of him in Jordan confessing the sins. But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees come to his baptism he said unto them

O generation of vipers who have warned you to flee from the wrath to come bring forth therefore fruitsmeet for repentance.

You see there were some people turning up at the baptismal service on the banks of Jordan and they weren't right with God at all. And Pharisees and Sadducees were not right. And right through all the days of the ministry of Christ they were not right.

Our Lord had to say Whitehead sepulchers you're putting on a show outside. So he had to rebuke them. And he said this to them Verse 9 Think not to say within yourselves we have Abraham to our father for I say unto you that God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham.

And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees therefore every tree which bringeth forth not good fruit is hewn down and cast into the fire. And just watch the fire there very carefully. I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance that's what we were talking about with John's baptism unto repentance.

But he that cometh after me is mightier than I whose shoes I am not worthy to bear he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost as different baptism. But mind you that's got the same meaning cause the Holy Ghost is going to put you into something dip you in it too but we'll find out what that is in a moment. Yes but please don't be thinking this is the same thing he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and he's looking round at those who have truly repented those who are going to be the followers of Christ he shall baptize you and watch this fall because that's future.

And you know who the baptizer is this time it is not John it is the Lord Jesus and he shall and he shall baptize those who would be followers of his.

But I think at the same moment he swept his eyes round the crowd and here are these Pharisees and Sadducees and he said he shall baptize you with fire they put you into the fire and don't you be telling this word fire on and think it's some sort of emotional experience you know cause it happens to be the judgment here I don't think we read right that's the trouble cause you see we have looked at John's baptism baptism of repentance and we have looked at our Lord Jesus Christ being baptized and we have looked now at what is going to be and what we need to think about tonight the baptism of the Spirit our Lord baptizing true believers but then there would come a day when our Lord Jesus will baptize those who are not followers with fire now if you think that there's any question we'll read

on we'll read verse 11 over again and I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance but he that cometh after me is mightier than I whose shoes I am not worthy to bear he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost and with fire and one of the old manuscripts says and he shall also baptize with fire now watch this bit whose hand is in his hand and he will fully purge the floor gather his wheat into the garden and you know what the wheat represents but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire I hope you got that bit cause that's just the two things cause he's going to put the wheat into something dipping it in by the power of the Spirit and we'll come to what the dipping into means in a moment or two oh but there will come a day when there'll be a great white throne set up and those who

have rejected and despised the Christ of God they will be cast into way down into the lake, did you get that bit of fire is there for good too oh I don't think there's any bother with this word let's have a look at another one let's see let's have a look at Luke's gospel chapter 12 Luke's gospel chapter 12 our Lord Jesus Christ is speaking here and he's saying this verse 49 Luke's gospel chapter 12 verse 49 I am come to send fire on the earth and what will I if it be already kindled but I have a baptism to be baptised with now this is long

after John had baptised him at Jordan what's he talking about he's talking about Calvary he's looking at the cross and he's calling it his baptism I have a baptism to be baptised with you see he could see the cross and he could see that when he became

the Lamb of God and all our iniquities on him were laid and he became the substitutionary sacrifice he knew that all the waves and billows of God's wrath would go over his holy head and he would be dipped way down deep in the depths of Calvary sometimes when I'm arguing with some of the boys who think they're theologians and they talk to me about sprinkling I just say look at this now I have a baptism to be baptised with would you like to say that Calvary was a sprinkling because I would think you were a fool Calvary was no sprinkling every wave and billow of God's wrath and we cannot just imagine all this against sin came over him like a flood tide and he went down into the depths where there was no standing for goodness sake stop talking to me about sprinkling would you it's poopish and

they practice it down round the corner there oh if you're protestant at all let's get you out of the lot oh this is dipping and you can't have dipping for sprinkling it won't work will it I think you can see all these baptisms can't you you can see the baptism of John he was on to repentance and you can see the baptism of our Lord Jesus and you can see what we're going to go about tonight the baptism of the spirit and we'll come into the open with that in a moment and you can see this baptism with fire too and what's more unquenchable fire what is more unquenchable literal fire oh they come to argue with me about this you know some fellow said literal is it oh yes that's what I say says pull it I said I'll take you back to Sodom and God God burned Sodom until the very ashes as Abraham

looked over the plain he could see the smoke from the ashes and when it talks about Lot's wife and talks about Sodom at the end of the New Testament it talks about Sodom being burned with eternal fire oh but it was very literal burned the houses and all that and the ashes were there and the smoke went up we don't want to go into all those details too much I'll go up so many avenues I'll never get where I'm going to we shall look at believers baptism for a moment we're at Acts of the Apostles chapter 8 the Acts of the Apostles and we'll be back at this chapter before the night's over so you'll remember about it but we've got to take it little by little for all the young people and help them as much as we can and it is Acts 8 verse 5 to save time then Philip went down to the city of Samaria

and preached Christ unto them now I know that that was a big thing for him to do because you know the Jews had no dealings with the Samaritans and you know there were some of these old saved Jews in Jerusalem and they were brought up you know to be separate from the Gentiles and the Samaritans and let's get the hold of this tonight that that separation was a divinely taught separation it was you know it was God that said this nation is not to be numbered among the nations and when God set up the Passover He said let no stranger eat of it and there were so many things that they were taught and they were divinely taught and they were separated all the days but God is going to change it now and if you don't know anything about dispensations it's a pity of you because there is a great change

coming here because Jews and Gentiles are going to be dipped into one body just in a minute yes God was going to start a new thing it wasn't a thrill anymore just for a moment or two He was laying them aside He was going to form a body which is called the church and He was going to form it by the baptism of the Spirit but we'll go carefully we'll take it along easy here's Philip going down to Samaria and some of the old Jews would rear up you know just like some of the tight old brethren I wouldn't let you go nowhere I shall go where God wants me to go that's been my policy all my life and if I think the Lord Jesus wants me to go somewhere I shall not be asking you you have nothing to do with me you are not my Lord and there is no

deacon or elder or Baptist in this world is my Lord I have

only got one Lord and thank God for that if I can just manage to get right what He wants then that's it it suits Him it will have to suit everybody else and if they want to argue it's ok here's Philip he must have been made to this sort of stuff in spite of all their talk he went down to Samaria and preached Christ unto them mind you God was with him because it says down in verse 12 but when they believed Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ they were baptized when? when they believed? they're not talking about babies they're talking about believers when they believed they were baptized you know all believers should be baptized you see it's not joining the Baptists or anything I hope you haven't got that idea it's doing this it's when I'm

dipped in under the water buried immersion it is I'm testifying to this whole world and all the demons that care to look on that when Christ died I died when He was buried I was buried and when He rose again I rose again that's believers baptism no bother about that is it? so I think you can see all this can't you? it's always putting in truth it's always putting in it's always immersion it's always dipping is the easiest word never anything else the whole way through now let's have a look at we're only starting now to it all right let's go to the Acts of the Apostles chapter 1 please the Acts of the Apostles chapter 1 and our Lord Jesus is talking to His own here and it says in verse 3 to whom also He showed Himself alive after His passion by many infallible proofs being seen of them

forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God and being assembled together with them commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem stay in Jerusalem but wait for the promise of the Father which said He ye have heard of me for John fully baptized with water but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost and He knew this not many days hence and this is what we want to look at because there's been so many ideas worked into this and I don't know why there's so many phrases used that's not correct at all not even scriptural not to be found in the Bible not at all I don't want to go on with the filling of the Spirit because there's going to be a subject for next week and I want to tell you that I don't know any other truth about the Spirit of God so precious

and so necessary as this truth about being constantly being filled with the Spirit and I can't go into that tonight but I want to show you this look at Acts 2 you know this is not many days hence and when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord and I want you to get the all in here because that's very important 120 names were mentioned in the other chapter and they're all crowded into a big upper room it must have been a big upper room they're all there you know and there must have been some big men among them and some wee men and there must have been some very outer followers of Christ and some who were maybe not as outermost they were all there they were all there with one accord it says when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in

one place and suddenly just like the clap of your hand there came a sound from heaven hours of a rushing mighty wind and I want you to get the hours off because it was not a rushing mighty wind it was hours of a rushing mighty wind this is the only way to look and describe it it was a sound and he's trying to think what to say it was a sound hours of a rushing mighty wind and the sound filled all the house where they were sitting and please let me underline for you just now that they were sitting not rolling on the floor because they tried to tell me that the only way you can get the baptism of the spirit is by rolling on the floor in some places if you believe that as such I can tell you they were sitting I can tell you they were not even praying they were just sitting I can tell you

they were waiting and I can tell you they were waiting at Jerusalem and it's nearly two thousand years ago and if you come round to me a fellow said to me I met him one morning I said where are you coming from he said I was waiting on the Holy Ghost coming where were you waiting not in the school room he said well I said you're about three thousand miles too far away from the spot and you're about two thousand years too late for Lord's sake I'm afraid you can't do that you don't have this every week you know no we're going to see that look at this and there appeared unto them cloven tongues like ours of fire and this is where we get this fire mixed up with all the other times we get fire and this wasn't fire it was like ours of it wasn't fire at all it's the only way you can describe it

we're always praying for fire I'll tell you when the fire comes it'll be judgment we've been very careful about it now this wasn't fire this was like ours of fire and it sat upon each of them this appearance sat upon each of them and at the same psychological second they were all filled for the Holy Ghost not one or two of them you know not the big fellow that prayed it through in the corner not at all not the sanctimonious fellow over in the other side no all all every one of them I'm going to shock you when I tell you this I'm going to shock you when I tell you there are three things in this book that you should on the line and remember forever more first one nowhere in this book is it said of an individual that he was baptized with the Holy Ghost nowhere never it is always accompanied

and what the Lord is doing here this is what Pentecost was all about we were looking at Pentecost the other week and it's the two laws being weighed because this was the moment in God's calendar when he was going to put both Jew and Gentile by the power of the Spirit into one body he was going to sink them into one body it was done at Calvary it was done at Pentecost that was the baptism of the Spirit oh yes but you know at the same psychological second the church began in full steam they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and I shall ask you a question next week did that filling do forever more? you will find out it didn't not a bit of it but the baptism did forever more because they were put into one body I want you to get a hold of this nowhere in the book is it said that an

individual that he was baptized and nowhere in this book in the epistles anywhere from here right through to the end of the book is there an exhortation to be baptized by the Spirit nowhere oh I hear folks going round with young believers and saying you know what you need now you need to be baptized with the Spirit where is it in this book?

I want to know I want to know where in this book right from Romans 1 and 2 Corinthians Galatians Ephesians Philippians Colossians right through to Revelation I want to know where once there is an exhortation to be baptized with the Spirit I want to know and I'll tell you you don't know that sometimes when truth is going people run you now don't be afraid of God's word try and learn it is true that no individual was ever baptized it is true that nowhere in this book is an exhortation it is true thirdly that nowhere in this book does it say that Jesus Christ was baptized over the Spirit how could it be? if he is the head of this body how could he be baptized into his own body? so it was never said of him oh it was said he was led of the Spirit he was anointed of the Spirit he was

strengthened of the Spirit I know all about that but nowhere nowhere is this type talked nowhere I want to put you over this very carefully let's go back to Matthew chapter 3 Matthew chapter 3 and I want you to notice this again I purposely passed it because I think this is the way I should teach it John is speaking here in verse 11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance but he that cometh after me is mightier than I whose shoes I am not worthy to bear he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost who is he talking to? an individual? not on your life he is not he is talking to all this great crowd that has repented and is going to

follow the Messiah when he comes they were all true followers were going to be baptized not a person this is what the baptism of the Spirit is about that up

to Pentecost so many good old Jews left all and followed him so many dear women followed him flew at every town and village where he went so many Gentiles followed him the Greeks came saying we would see Jesus and the moment came when the Holy Ghost was going to take these individual followers and he was going to dip them into the body of Christ which is the church of which Christ is the head and this wonderful thing began on earth at that moment and the moment you were saved you were put into the church and if you are not in the body you are not saved look you can't find it anywhere what's this? let's go to 1st Corinthians and I think this clinches it of course 1st Corinthians and we are at chapter 12 1st Corinthians 12 and he is talking here about the gifts of the Spirit but don't let's

get taken up too much with that just now let's just try to get taken up with the body this body was formed when Jews and Gentiles were dipped into one body by the Spirit verse 12 for of the body is one 1st Corinthians 12 verse 12 for of the body is one and hath many members and all the members of that one body being members are one body so also is Christ the body is called Christ at times how wonderful cause he is the head and these are his members formed by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body isn't that quite clear I want to ask you you see these Corinthians Paul is writing to them he knows more about them than we will ever know he had gone to Corinth he had founded the assembly there he knew every man and woman in it he knew the people that had things to say about them and

terrible things but he is saying this look look we have been all baptized by one Spirit into one body we are in the body they weren't all holy you know try to tell me after the holy verse well alright we will try this out if we went to the 3rd chapter of the Corinthians he says I could not speak unto you as unto the Spirit you are carnal you walk as men your strife and division they fought the bit out I put the word in the body I put the word baptized by the Spirit unless you want me to argue with you I think this is rubbish we hear at times it is a lot of rubbish that ever was in the faith of this earth because it is not in this book at all you see we are all here for by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body you can see this quite clearly can't you have a look at your notes there

and if we were looking at the baptism there are some prophetic references and we have almost touched those like our Lord Jesus saying ye shall be baptized not many days hence that is a prophetic reference he just knew that when he would go back to heaven and be glorified and beneath the head of the body then he would send the Holy Ghost and the Holy Ghost would take these individual followers Jews and Gentiles and he would baptize them into one body and that is a prophetic reference and then of course there are some historical records and we will come to that in a moment we will put that by for just a moment but there are some doctrinal remarks in this book about the baptism of the Spirit and the doctrinal remarks are just these that the body was formed that is the doctrinal remarks the

body was formed by the baptism of the Spirit and the unification of members of the body were brought into being and then the importation of gifts and we will come to that in these studies you see as we are saved we are put into this body dipped into the body and God has set us in the body as it pleased him he gave some apostles and some prophets and some this that and the other and there is nobody in the body but has a place and has a function and God holds him responsible to move there he doesn't want you to be a paralyzed member and we will go into all the gifts you see because I think that sometimes people don't know something about the gifts they talk about the gift of miracles that was a wonderful gift in the early stage and there is something about the gift of miracles when we come

to it the fellow that had the gift of miracles could never be beaten see I know a man who told me he had the gift of miracles and I said I heard about you being around with a fellow who had cancer he sort of didn't do too well, he died he says it was his faith he says his faith has got nothing to do with miracles when the Lord rolls away the stone Lazarus is in there and that body is stinking now it's going into corruption where would the faith be? it's the miracle that works now cause there's the gifts of healing will come to them too you'll need faith then but you see they don't know how to differentiate but I want you to get these things you know there is the prophetic references in this book and the historical records the doctrine and remarks I think I need to do with these

historical records this evening let's go back to the Acts of the Apostles chapter 8 you know they come to argue with me about this and we'll see now this is Philip again and he's going down to Samaria and we must remember this verse 5 then Philip went down to the city of Samaria and preached Christ unto them and there was a great crowd saved and they were baptized and it says in verse 14 now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God they sent unto them Peter and John now I want you to get this cause these are two of the apostles two of the pillars of the church at Jerusalem not too sure about all this but they're coming down to see about it who when they were come down prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Ghost I want you to get

this bit for as yet he was fallen upon none of them only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus Philip went down to Samaria and preached Christ to these Samaritans and when these Samaritans really truly believed they were baptized but the Holy Ghost had not come and then it says verse 17 then laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Ghost now this is the sort of verse they come to argue with me I want you to get the hold of this I want you to get it in truth cause I don't think you're allowed to take this out of its context and make something new out of it you know I don't think you're allowed to do that and I won't allow you to do it we've got to go back to Samaria we've got to see the courage of Philip to preach Christ to these Samaritans Samaritans that the Jews

wouldn't touch but he feels he's got to go out with the Gospel the Lord told him to go and of course these men trusted Christ and they were baptized but the Holy Ghost had not come you see if you could see the land in those days you know they had a temple up in Samaria and they had a temple down in Jerusalem and when the woman of Samaria was talking to our Lord Jesus she said you say Jerusalem is the place to worship and we say this mountain is the place cause they had no dealings with one another and they had two different temples and two different religions and God was going to see in his wisdom that this wouldn't go on so for the moment he withheld the spirit from the Samaritans they were true believers remember he must get these Jews and these Samaritans together to recognize one

another now let's get this I want you to get this this is Peter and John and they're down in Samaria now and it says in verse 17 then I want you to get the psychological moment that that word then means there were a lot of Samaritans here they were truly saved the Holy Ghost had not come but Peter is big enough to see this then then laid they tell me who's laying their hands on who's there they ah it was Peter and John they were two apostles then is a proper word here they is a very proper word then laid they their hands on them who? on Samaritans now people who come round to argue with me you know they talk to me about an old bishop the way out here somewhere I don't want to use names but I can tell you this if you want to poke me about it he was drunk oftener than he was sober just push

me down I'll tell you and he comes and lays his hands on we lads heads and I can tell you it was empty hands and it must have been an empty head but let him do it you don't tell me that that brings the Holy

Ghost you're trying to tell me something let me tell you the we lad is not a Samaritan let me tell you an old boozier is not an apostle don't you dare to do anything like that you're twisting the word of God God made these two apostles who were Jews boulders and touched these Samaritans because he's not going to have two departments in this church he's going to have one and the moment they touched them it never needed to be done again it was all over and don't you be reading something into it you just tell me that the person you're talking about is a Samaritan and the man who's laying

his hands on is an apostle and how do we talk with him no it just doesn't work like that you know God was saving the church from being he's not going to allow it to be so it never had to be done again I want you to notice this if we go to Acts 10 in Acts 10 is in the house of Cornelius and you know this was a big thing because you remember Peter didn't want to go you remember Peter even argued with the Lord Peter just didn't want to go at all when the Lord was trying to educate Peter for this Peter wouldn't have it at all in fact Peter said in verse 14 not so Lord you can't say not so Lord it was Dr.

Campbell Morgan who said these three words can't go together you either say not so and don't call him Lord just tell him you're not doing it or you say Lord and you will never use not so you can't talk to him like that Peter didn't want to go you see it was going down to the Gentiles and of course as he goes down to the Gentiles he's going to be in trouble with some of the old Jews it's the very same situation as we have today some of my dear brethren in the brethren who love the Lord and would go anywhere to preach the gospel some of the old type boys you know they're on their back at the very moment they come back well Peter went down and he preached the gospel and the Holy Ghost fell on this house it says the Holy Ghost fell on men which heard his word now let's go to chapter 11 now

watch how clear this is and the apostles and brethren that were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also received the word of God and the word of God there is a phrase that can be translated the message of God when they had heard that these Gentiles had received the gospel of God if you like and when Peter was come up to Jerusalem they that were of a circumcision contended with him and you see how early this began in the church here's a man God has sent them and he went and preached Christ and the Holy Ghost fell and the Gentiles were blessed and saved and these old straight laced characters back at the assembly in Jerusalem they're going to contend and they haven't all died yet you know just watch them and let the men on you talk do what God wants you to do and this is what they said

contended with him saying thou wentest into men uncircumcised don't you see it you know they were mad you were then the boys that were not circumcised oh yes and did steep with him you know that was terrible so wonder they shook hands with him at all but Peter rehearsed the matter from the beginning and expounded it by order that's how you expound anything by order unto them saying I was in the city of Joppa praying and in a trance I saw a vision a certain vessel descend as it had been a great sheet let down from heaven by four corners and it came even to me upon the which when I had fastened mine eyes I considered and saw four footed beasts of the earth and wild beasts and creeping things and I heard a voice saying unto me arise Peter slay and eat but I said not so Lord he knew who he

was talking to but he wasn't going to obey for nothing common or unclean hath at any time entered into my mouth but the voice answered me again from heaven what God hath cleansed that call not thou come and this was done three times and all were drawn up again into heaven and behold immediately there were three men already come into the house where I was sent from Caesarea unto me and the spirit God may go with them nothing doubting moreover these six brethren and accompanied me and we entered into the man's house and he showed us how he had seen an angel in his house which stood and said unto him

send men to Joppa and call for Simon whose surname is Peter who shall tell thee words whereby thou and all thy house shall be saved so the man was honest and so was Peter and as I began to speak

the Holy Ghost fell on them as on us at the beginning then remembered I the word of the Lord how that he said John indeed baptized with water but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost for as much then as God gave them the like gift as he did unto us who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ and the moment they believed the Holy Ghost fell on them and these are not Samaritans and we don't need anybody to lay their hands on and now God has let the whole company see that Jews and Gentiles and Samaritans are all in the one body and that happens to be the baptism of the Spirit and the tripe we make out of it and the way God's word is handled is a disgrace for those who can read I'll tell you friend it's not in this book when we come back next week we'll get down to what we should be talking

about the filling of the Spirit and you'll see the whole subject

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