What is the baptism of the Holy Spirit?

- its the enduement of power from on high!
- its a promise of the Father Luke 24:49

- Why do I need the Baptism of the Holy Spirit?

- to be HIS witness' in all the earth
- to give you the boldness and power to do God's will
- because Jesus said so! Luke 24:49"...without Me you can do nothing" John 18:6

- How do I get baptized in the Holy Spirit? prepare yourself;

- repent and believe the message of the cross
- get water baptised
- obey Jesus
- draw near to God and HE will draw near to you!

- When will I get baptised in the Holy Spirit?

- in God's time! trust in the Lord and He will give you the desires of your heart because HE put them there!
- pray and believe ask and receive!
- "Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. *Matt 7:7*
- "If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him?" Luke 11:13

Acts 1:5 "for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

Acts 1:8 "but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth."

<u>Luke 24:49</u> "And behold, I am sending forth the promise of My Father upon you; but you are to stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high."

Romans 5:5 "and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us."

<u>John 15:5</u> "I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.

Ezekiel 36

24 For I will take you from the nations, gather you from all the lands and bring you into your own land.

25 Then I will sprinkle clean water on you, and you will be clean; I will cleanse you from all your filthiness and from all your idols. 26 Moreover, I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; and I will remove the heart of stone from your flesh and give you a heart of flesh. 27 I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will be careful to observe My ordinances.

Matt 3:11 "As for me, I baptize you with water for repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, and I am not fit to remove His sandals: He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

Matt 3 The Baptism of Jesus 13 Then Jesus arrived from Galilee at the Jordan coming to John, to be baptized by him. 14 But John tried to prevent Him, saying, "I have need to be baptized by You, and do You come to me?" 15 But Jesus answering said to him, "Permit it at this time; for in this way it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he permitted Him. 16 After being baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water; and behold, the heavens were opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending as a dove and lighting on Him, 17 and behold, a voice out of the heavens said, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well-pleased."

<u>John 3 - The New Birth</u> 1Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews; 2this man came to Jesus by night and said to Him, "Rabbi, we know that You have come from God as a teacher; for no one can do these signs that You do unless God is with him." 3Jesus answered and said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God."

4Nicodemus said to Him, "How can a man be born when he is old? He cannot enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born, can he?" 5Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit he cannot enter into the kingdom of God. 6"That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7"Do not be amazed that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' 8"The wind blows where it wishes and you hear the sound of it, but do not know where it comes from and where it is going; so is everyone who is born of the Spirit."

Jesus said 2 specific things here regarding the kingdom of GOD:

- 1- You cannot SEE the kingdom until you are BORN-AGAIN
- (Matt 3:11)"As for me, I baptize you with water for repentance,
- 2- You cannot ENTER the kingdom until you are BORN OF THE WATER AND THE SPIRIT
- (Matt 3:12) but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, and I am not fit to remove His sandals; He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

<u>John 20 -Jesus among His Disciples</u> (after the ressurection) 19So when it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and when the doors were shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." 20And when He had said this, He showed them both His hands and His side. The disciples then rejoiced when they saw the Lord. 21So Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you." 22And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. 23"If you forgive the sins of any, their sins have been forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they have been retained.

<u>Luke 24:49 45</u>Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures. <u>46</u>He told them, "This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, <u>47</u>and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. <u>48</u>You are witnesses of these things. <u>49</u>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."

Zechariah 4:6 "Then he answered and said to me, "This is the word of the LORD to Zerubbabel saying, 'Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,' says the LORD of hosts.