

## How to Be Filled with the Holy Spirit

### **PRESENT** yourself to God – Romans 12:1-2

God won't fill what He doesn't have. In other words, He will fill us to the degree that we have died to ourselves, to the degree to which we have emptied ourselves of our own selfish ambition, pride, independence, rebellion ... etc.

Are you willing to do that?

You could simply hold your hands open and speak out that you present all of who you are to Him, spirit, soul and body.

### **ASK** – Luke 11:9-13

God could fill us without our asking, but He chooses to not violate our will and invites us to ask. God wants us to verbalize how serious we are.

It's as simple as "Lord Jesus, I present myself wholly to You. Please come now and immerse me in the Holy Spirit. Give me affirmation of Your presence deep within and bestow power upon me for ministry. I invite You to fill, control, and guide my life and to produce Your fruit in me. What spiritual gift would You like to give me?"

### **HAVE FAITH** – Galatians 3:2

We are filled with the Holy Spirit by faith just as we receive the Lord in salvation by faith.

Acts 1:8 says, "you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you".

When we are filled with the Holy Spirit and His power, something will change. The Greek word for power is "dunamis", which is where the word dynamite comes from...explosive power.

If it seems nothing happens, continue to tarry in His presence, asking and pursuing after these things. Ask God for evidence of His filling. Keep pursuing God in faith. His filling is available to every believer.

### **OBEY** Him – John 14:15, Acts 5:32, James 4:7

Continue to walk in obedience to His spoken word (rhema) and His already revealed will (logos, the Bible).