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"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. 24 Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. 25 Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit."

Galatians 5:22-25

"Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life."

Galatians 6:8

SYMBOLS OF THE SPIRIT

- 1. The first is wind.
- 2. Second, the Spirit is represented as water.

"On the last and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to Me and drink. 38 Whoever believes in Me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them." 39 By this He meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in Him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified."

John 7:37-39

3. A third sign or symbol of the Spirit is that of a seal pressed upon a letter or document.

"And you also were included in Christ when you heard the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation. When you believed, you were marked in Him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit,"

Ephesians 1:13

4. Fourth, the Spirit is represented by oil.

"The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because He has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free,"

Luke 4:18

"Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray. Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise.

14 Is anyone among you sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray over them and anoint them with oil in The Name of The Lord. 15 And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven." James 5:13-15

5. Fifth, the Spirit is represented by the sign of the dove.

"And the Holy Spirit descended on Him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from Heaven: "You are My Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased." Luke 3:22

II. LIVING LIFE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT

"Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is. 18 Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit," Ephesians 5:17-18

- It is a command.
- It is something God has to do.
- It is a <u>continual</u> process.

III. THE BAPTISM IN THE SPIRIT

1. Baptism in the Spirit.

"For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

Acts 1:5

"Then I remembered what the Lord had said: 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

Acts 11:16

"And with that He breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit." John 20:22

2. The Promise of the Father.

"On one occasion, while He was eating with them, He gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift My Father promised, which you have heard Me speak about."

Acts 1:4

"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."

Luke 24:49

3. Gift of the Spirit.

Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in The Name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." Acts 2:38

"The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on Gentiles."

Acts 10:45

4. Receive the Spirit.

"And with that He breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit." John 20:22

"When they arrived, they prayed for the new believers there that they might receive the Holy Spirit, 16 because the Holy Spirit had not yet come on any of them; they had simply been baptized in The Name of The Lord Jesus. 17 Then Peter and John placed their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit."

Acts 8:15-17

5. Filled with the Spirit.

"But Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, looked up to Heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God."

Acts 7:55

"But Elymas the sorcerer (for that is what his name means) opposed them and tried to turn the proconsul from the faith. 9 Then Saul, who was also called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked straight at Elymas and said, 10 "You are a child of the devil and an enemy of everything that is right! You are full of all kinds of deceit and trickery. Will you never stop perverting the right ways of the Lord?"

Acts 13:8-10