

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

5	Jose Novella	21	Wally Dickinson
7	Michael Vittoria	22	Sharon Rose
19	April Owen	23	Jason Carr
19	Jessica Lowthorp	24	Tyler Roth



APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

4	Fred and Patti Smith
28	Rhianna and Ron Parnell

Happy Anniversary!

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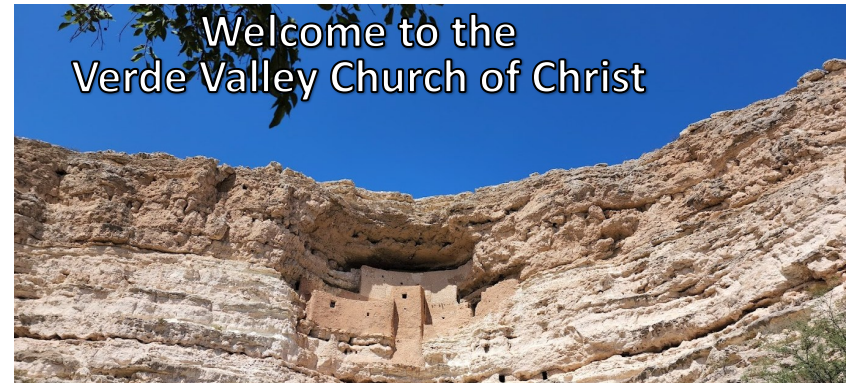
SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: 24

SUNDAY AM: 59 SUNDAY PM: 17

WEDNESDAY: 24

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April 13, 2025



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Sermon

A Study of the Holy Spirit of God: Part 3

Gathering Times

Sunday Bible class 9:30 AM Sunday Worship 10:30 AM

Sunday evening 6:00 PM

Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 PM

SERMON SCRIPTURE REFERENCES

A Study of the Holy Spirit of God: Part 3

The Holy Spirit is One of the Three Beings of God. Has interacted with mankind directly, but most often through "gifts." Either gifts **from** the Holy Spirit (i.e., powers/abilities), or the gift **of** the Holy Spirit (where **He** is the gift dwelling inside the person).

Last week we covered how nobody in the Old Testament ever received the gift **of** the Holy Spirit. They only received gifts **from** Him, always described as Him "falling upon" or "coming upon" them, or "filling them" with that gift.

We also discussed why no one could receive Him as the gift by discussing justice, forgiveness of sins, and taking sins away. Sins before Christ could be forgiven but not taken away without justice being satisfied with a human death. But the Holy Spirit was prophesied to be poured out and "accessible" to humans in the Old Testament - Joel 2:28-32 (Acts 2:17-21)

"*Pneuma*" is the Greek word for "spirit" also means "breath or wind." Acts 2:2 signifies the Holy Spirit arriving **from Heaven** with the sound of a loud **wind**. When the Holy Spirit was given to mankind to receive, we could receive gifts **from** Him in one of two ways (only received by some Christians and only in the first century A.D.) Also, all Christians received the gift **of** the Holy Spirit in one of two ways as well.

Gifts from the Holy Spirit were received in the Christian age in only 2 ways: Some-one being baptized in the Holy Spirit **or** via the laying on of an apostle's hands.

Baptism of the Holy Spirit - only happened to 2 groups of humans *ever*. First prophesied to happen by JtB (John 1:29-34 & Matt. 3:11-12) and done by Jesus. Jesus never baptized anyone physically (John 4:2), this baptism was done without human hands instigated by Jesus, via the Father, but only promised *to one group - apostles* (John 14:16-17, 26 & Luke 24:48-49 & Acts 1:4,8 & 2:1-4) & only given *to one other group - Cornelius's gathering* (Acts 10:46-48, 11:15-18). All these people received divine abilities from the Holy Spirit with no human intermediary.

Gifts from laying on of apostle hands - cannot happen anymore because there are no more apostles. Peter gives credentials Acts 1:21-22. Only apostles did anything miraculous in Acts from 2:1-4 until 6:1-8 & 8:14-20 & 19:1-7 & Rom. 1:8-15

Gifts from the Holy Spirit were given for one reason - the New Testament was not written yet. Judaism was active for 1,500 years. God gave men gifts to know and explain New Covenant (words of wisdom/knowledge), gave them signs to prove it was true (future telling, miracles, healings), and ability to spread the message (tongues, interpreting of tongues). Mark 16:20

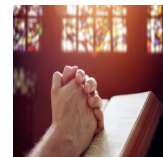
ANNOUNCEMENTS



SERVICES ARE BEING STREAMED ON FACEBOOK LIVE

- ◆ **Classes and sermons are available on Youtube.**
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- ◆ **There is a children's bible study for ages 4 - 10 during the sermon.**
Parents can pick up the kids after service in the classroom building.
- ◆ **Potluck fellowship** after morning worship service is on the 1st Sunday of the month - **The next Potluck fellowship is May 4th. Please join us for a fellowship meal and bring a dish to share.**
- ◆ **Family movie night—Family movie night is April 25 at 6:30**
- ◆ **Ladies Devotional—Saturday, May 17th will be a Mothers Day Brunch along with a Ladies Devotional. Food will be provided.**
- ◆ **Opportunity to serve— If there are any ladies in the congregation interested in teaching children of all ages, please let the Elders or Dominic know. There will be a mandatory teachers meeting for the young children April 13th right after services.**
- ◆ **Men's servant training—Immediately after worship April 27 There will be a short mandatory meeting for men that currently participate, or would like to begin participating, in our worship services and were unable to attend the meeting in March.**

PRAY FOR



Diana Landers
Kathie & Eddie Rose
Jerry Harvey
Wally Dickinson