## THE HOLY SPIRIT AND HIS HELP

Part 11 - Benefits and Blocks

## BENEFITS TO BEING BAPTIZED IN THE HOLY SPIRIT

- There are no spiritual downsides
  - 1. The power to be a witness of Jesus (Acts 1:8 NKJ)
    - a. If those who walked with Him needed this power
  - 2. Builds us up spiritually (1 Corinthians 14:4 NKJ)
    - a. Similar to charging a battery
  - 3. Speaking directly to God in prayer (1 Corinthians 14:2 NKJ)
    - a. Not speaking to men
    - b. Not praying with our understanding (1 Corinthians 14:15 NKJ)
  - 4. Helps us pray in line with the will of God (Romans 8:26-27 NKJ)
    - a. Praying beyond our limited understanding
    - b. Helps keep the selfishness in our prayers toned down
  - 5. Stimulates our faith (Jude 20 NKJ)
    - a. Requires an element of faith on our part our minds will argue
    - b. Learning to trust in this area helps in other areas
  - 6. Reminds us of the Holy Spirit's presence (John 14:16-17 NKJ)
    - a. Knowing we have help and we're not alone is a difference maker
  - 7. Helpful in receiving guidance, insight and wisdom from the Lord
    - a. When we are more built up spiritually we are more aware of spiritual things (Romans 8:14-16 NKJ)
    - b. God guides us through our spirits (*Proverbs 20:27 NKJ*)