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1. Introduction

In the Christian faith, the concepts of baptism and the Holy Ghost are foundational to understanding the process of salvation. My booklet aims to explore the

significance of being sealed by the Holy Ghost and the essential nature of water baptism in Jesus' name, emphasizing the transformative power of God's Spirit in the life of a believer. The evidence of receiving the Holy Ghost is manifested through speaking in tongues, affirming the believer's identity as a child of God.

2. Baptism in Jesus Name is Essential for Salvation

Baptism is not merely a ritual; it is essential to Salvation. This is a believer's identification with the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Through baptism in Jesus Name for remission of sins, individuals publicly declare their faith and commitment to follow Christ, receiving the promise of the Holy Ghost and fire with the evidence of speaking in tongues. This act signifies the washing away of sins and the initiation into the body of Christ.

3. The Role of the Holy Ghost

The Holy Ghost, also known as the Holy Spirit, is the very presence and power of God actively working in the believer's life. It empowers believers to live godly lives, receive spiritual gift, and bear witness to the truth of the Gospel. The Holy Ghost serves as the seal of our salvation, marking us as belonging to God. This seal is confirmed through the evidence of

speaking in tongues, which signifies that the believer has been filled with the Holy Spirit.

4. The Sign of the Seal: Speaking in Tongues

One of the most significant pieces of evidence of being filled with the Holy Ghost is the ability to speak in tongues. This phenomenon serves as the sign that the believer has been baptized in the Holy Ghost and fire with the evidence of speaking in tongues. It affirms their connection to God and their new identity in Christ. Speaking in tongues is not only a personal prayer language but also a means of edification and a powerful tool for spiritual warfare. It is the evidence of the spirit of sonship, confirming that the believer has indeed been born of the Spirit. Furthermore, one has not been baptized in the Holy Ghost and fire until they speak in tongues, and only through baptism in Jesus' name can one be considered born of the water.

5. Water Baptism in Jesus' Name

Water baptism is an essential act of obedience for every believer. In Acts 2:38, Peter instructs the crowd to "repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins." This act of baptism in Jesus' name signifies the washing away of sins and the beginning of a new life in Christ. It is through this baptism that believers publicly

declare their faith and receive the promise of the Holy Spirit With the evidence of speaking in tongues .

6. Scriptural Foundations

John 3:3-8

Jesus explains the necessity of being born again, emphasizing that one must be born of water and the Spirit to enter the kingdom of God.

Mark 16:16-17

Jesus states that those who believe and are baptized will be saved, and signs will follow those who believe, including speaking in new tongues.

Acts 2:38

Peter's proclamation emphasizes the necessity of repentance and baptism in Jesus' name for the remission of sins, highlighting the importance of both elements in the salvation process.

Luke 24:47-49

Here, Jesus commands His disciples to preach repentance and remission of sins in His name, reinforcing the centrality of His name in the salvation

message.

Acts 4:12

This verse declares that there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved, underscoring the exclusivity of Jesus' name in salvation.

Acts 2:21

This passage affirms that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved, emphasizing the power and authority of Jesus' name.

Acts 10:43-48

Peter's message to Cornelius and his household illustrates that the Holy Spirit is given to all who believe, confirming that salvation and the Holy Ghost are available to everyone.

Acts 11:14-17

Peter recounts how the Holy Spirit fell upon the Gentiles just as it had upon the Jews, affirming that God's gift of salvation is for all people.

7. The Process of Salvation

The process of salvation includes several key steps:

1. Hearing the Gospel: Faith comes by hearing the Word of God (Romans 10:17).
2. Repentance: A sincere turning away from sin and turning toward God.
3. Water Baptism: Being baptized in Jesus' name for the remission of sins.
4. Receiving the Holy Ghost: Being filled with the Holy Spirit, evidenced by speaking in tongues.
5. Living a Transformed Life: Walking in the Spirit and living according to God's Word.

8. Conclusion

Being sealed by the Holy Ghost and participating in water baptism in Jesus' name is a profound experience that changes the believer's life forever. It is a divine act of grace that marks the beginning of a new relationship with God. As we embrace these truths, we recognize that speaking in tongues serves as the evidence of the Holy Spirit's presence in our lives, confirming our identity as children of God. Let us strive to live in accordance with the Spirit, bearing witness to the love and power of Jesus Christ.

9. References

- The Holy Bible (KJV, NIV, or preferred translation)
- Writings of early church fathers on baptism and the Holy Spirit
- Contemporary theological works on the doctrine of salvation