THE MARKS OF A SPIRIT FILLED CHURCH

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- (Acts 2:42-47 NIV) They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. (43) Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. (44) All the believers were together and had everything in common. (45) Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need. (46) Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, (47) praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.
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Devoted To The Word

- (Acts 2:42 NIV) They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.
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Devoted To Fellowship

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▪ (Heb 10:24-25 NIV) And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. (25) Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another--and all the more as you see the Day approaching.
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**Devoted To Prayer**

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▪ (1 Cor 14:15 NIV) So what shall I do? I will pray with my spirit, but I will also pray with my mind; I will sing with my spirit, but I will also sing with my mind.
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- (Eph 6:18 NIV) **And pray in the Spirit on all occasions** with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.

- (Jude 1:20 NIV) But you, dear friends, build yourselves up in your most holy faith and **pray in the Holy Spirit**.
Devoted To Each Other

- (Acts 2:44-46 NIV) All the believers were together and had everything in common. (45) Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need. (46) Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts,
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Devoted To Praise

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- (Heb 13:15-16 NIV) Through Jesus, therefore, **let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise**--the fruit of lips that confess his name. (16) And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased.
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Devoted To Evangelism

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- (Acts 10:38 NIV) ... God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

- Pentecostal Power Is For God’s Purpose

- We Are Spirit-Filled To Touch The World For Him
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- Devoted To Prayer
- Devoted To Each Other
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- Devoted To Evangelism
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• To Be A Spirit Filled Church… We Have To Be Spirit Filled People!

• The Baptism Of The Holy Spirit Is: Being Filled To Overflowing With The Power, Joy, And Fullness Of The Holy Spirit

• God By His Spirit Is Ready To Baptize You
How Important Is It To Receive The Baptism Of The Holy Spirit

• God Has Provided It
• Jesus Himself Received It
• The Disciples Were Not To Proceed Without It
• It Led To The Conversion Of 3,000 On Pentecost
• Enabled The Apostles To Reach Out to Jerusalem
• Empowered Them For “Signs And Wonders”
• Enabled Them To Carry Out Great Commission
• They Led Their Converts To Be Spirit Baptized
• Christ Commands Believers To Be Filled
How To Pray For Holy Spirit Baptism:

- Prepare Your Heart To Receive More Of The Lord
- Repent Of Anything In Your Life Not Aligned With God’s Will
- Focus Your Heart And Mind On Christ
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A.B.C.'S OF Holy Spirit Baptism:

A. **ASK** Jesus To Baptize You In The Holy Spirit
   James 4:2; "You Have Not Because You Ask Not"

B. **BELIEVE** You Receive The Moment You Ask
   John 16:24; "Ask And You Shall Receive That Your Joy May Be Full."

C. **CONFESS** With Your Lips In The New Language That The Lord Is Giving To You