**Loving My New Life Lesson 4**

**Receiving The Holy Ghost**

We have so far, found according to the word of God, that we are to obey the Gospel by identifying with Jesus’ death when we repent, his burial when we are baptized, and now we will study the third and final step of identifying with his resurrection by receiving the Holy Ghost evidenced by speaking with others tongues= ( A different \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ than you have ever learned ).

As we study the bible we will find that receiving the Holy Ghost is essential to our being\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ when Jesus comes to take his church home.

***An important point to remember …….***

We must remember God has a specific \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and we must follow it no matter how it may look to others. We cannot leave out any part. 1 Cor. 1:26-27.

***The Holy Ghost was foretold by the Prophets…..***

Isaiah foretold of God speaking to his people through the stammering lips and another tongue. Isa.28:9-12 He spoke of drawing water out of the wells of salvation. Isa. 12:1-6

Joel foretold of God pouring out his Spirit on in the last days. Joel 2:28-29

Jesus spoke in agreement with the prophets when he told a woman the Spirit would be like a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of living water springing up in a person’s life. John 4:14, and again Jesus said that it would be like a river of living water coming out of those who believe on him as the scriptures have said John 7:37-39

***What is the Holy Ghost? It is ……..***

The Spirit of Christ- Rom. 8:9-11, John 14:17-18 It is the Spirit of God - 1 Cor. 3:16 A Seal – Ephesians 1:13, 4:30 \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ from on high – Acts 1:8 The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – Acts 1:4-5

***Who can have the Holy Ghost?***

The promise is to all flesh … Joel 2:28-29 Given to those who obey … Acts 5:32 Everyone that God’s spirit \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to …. Acts 2:38-39

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***How do you know when you receive the Holy Ghost?***

When the apostles and the 120 disciples received the Holy Ghost 2,000 years ago, they spoke with tongues. Acts 2:1-4

In Acts 8:12-17 At Samaria people believed , repented and were baptized, but still did not have the Holy Ghost until the apostles came down and prayed for them

In Acts 10:44-48 Cornelius, a Roman soldier, and his household spoke with tongues when they received the Holy Ghost.

In Acts 19:1-6 The disciples of John the Baptist realized there was more and spoke with other tongues when they received the Holy Ghost.

Nicodemus, a religious leader, came to Jesus to gain insight into what Jesus was trying to accomplish. Jesus told him that he brought a chance for a person to have a new birth experience and that must be born again or they could not enter into the kingdom of God. Jesus spoke of a supernatural experience, but he could only grasp the understanding of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or fleshly birth….. John 3:1-12

***There is an awesome parallel between Physical Birth and Spiritual Birth.***

Rom 1:20 For the invisible things of him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even his eternal power and Godhead; so that they are without excuse:

We can \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the spiritual by looking at the physical …….

***Physical Birth Spiritual Birth***

The baby begins to feel that We feel God’s spirit drawing us.

things are beginning to change.

A separating of the baby from his We start dieing out to our old environment begins. life and separating from the world

Blood begins to come from the separation Jesus shed his blood to wash

This helps in cleansing the birth canal. and cleanse us from sin.

The woman’s water breaks, washing away We are baptized in water for

Impurities and cleansing further . the washing away of our sins

 in Jesus name.

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The baby comes down the birth canal We are still dead spiritually

but still doesn’t live until it breathes without the spirit of God

in life giving air John 20: 21-22 until he fills us with his Spirit

The baby takes in it’s first breath of life. God breathes his Spirit into us.

As soon as he breath of life goes in, The evidence that the Spirit the sound of life suddenly comes out. has come in is the sound of life

 suddenly comes out.

The baby doesn’t know what it is saying or We speak in a language we

how he is saying it, but it makes a sound don’t know and don’t

because of the breath of life it has taken understand …

The father hears the sound and knows at that The bible says the spirit

moment that he has a new child born into his causes us to cry abba father.

house, family, now under his protection and ( Father, Father, I’m here )

 care. Galatians 4:6-7 Romans 8:15-17

The birth process is complete and the baby We now become alive to our

now enters into their new place in the family heavenly father and enter in

and becomes an heir. With the family name. to our place in the church Acts 4:12 and the kingdom of God, as … - an heir to heaven..

The baby matures in Physical life. We mature in spiritual life.

 ***God’s plan for Physical and Spiritual Birth Requires all three***

 ***Blood, Water, and Spirit( Breath of Life) 1 John5:8***

\*\* It is as \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_for us to speak in a language we do not know when we born of the Spirit as it is for a baby to make the sound it makes when it is born alive. It is God’s plan.

1. Without the Holy Ghost we will not be in the catching away of the church to escape judgment. Romans 8:11, 1 Thessalonians. 4:16-17

2. Without the Holy Ghost we are considered none of his. 1 Corinthians 12:3

**Everyone must be born again of the water and the Spirit in order to make heaven.**

Next lesson… Understanding God’s use of Tongues