

Responses to The Holy Spirit

And when He [Jesus] had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit." John 20:22

We can move in the Spirit or refuse His gracious offer. He will never transgress our will. When we talk about seeing Jesus, some will say that they hear God just fine and don't think it necessary to see God. I agree. It isn't necessary, but I want more of Him.

Studies included in this article are: Positive Responses to the Holy Spirit; Negative Responses to the Holy Spirit

For additional information on this topic, please see: Appendix 7 "Why See?" in my book, Immanuel: A Practicum.

Positive Responses to the Holy Spirit

John 20:22 And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them, "**Receive** the Holy Spirit."

Acts 8:15 Who, when they had come down, prayed for them that they might **receive** the Holy Spirit.

Acts 8:17 Then they laid hands on them, and they **received** the Holy Spirit.

Acts 10:47 "Can anyone forbid water, that these should not be baptized who have **received** the Holy Spirit just as we have?"

Acts 19:2 he said to them, "Did you **receive** the Holy Spirit when you believed?" So they said to him, "We have not so much as heard whether there is a Holy Spirit."

Galatians 3:2 This only I want to learn from you: Did you **receive the Spirit** by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?

Galatians 3:14 That the blessing of Abraham might come upon the Gentiles in Christ Jesus, that we might **receive** the promise of the Spirit **through faith**.

Galatians 5:16-18 I say then: **Walk in** the Spirit, and you shall **not fulfill the lust of the flesh**. For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish. But if you are **led by** the Spirit, you are not under the law.

Hebrews 6:4 For it is impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted the heavenly gift, and have become **partakers of** the Holy Spirit.

1 Peter 4:14 If you are reproached for the name of Christ, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. **On their part He is blasphemed, but on your part He is glorified.**

Negative Responses to the Holy Spirit

Isaiah 63:10 But they rebelled and **grieved** His Holy Spirit; So He turned Himself against them as an enemy, And He fought against them.

Matthew 12:32 Anyone who **speaks a word against** the Son of Man, it will be forgiven him; but whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven him, either in this age or in the age to come.

Mark 3:29 But he who **blasphemes against** the Holy Spirit never has forgiveness, but is subject to eternal condemnation—

Luke 12:10 And anyone **who speaks a word against** the Son of Man, it will be forgiven him; but to him who blasphemes against the Holy Spirit, it will not be forgiven.

Acts 5:3 But Peter said, "Ananias, why has **Satan filled your heart to lie to** the Holy Spirit and keep back part of the price of the land for yourself?

Acts 7:51 "You stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears! You **always resist** the Holy Spirit; as your fathers did, so do you.

1 Corinthians 2:14 But the natural man does **not receive** the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; nor can he know them, because they are **spiritually discerned**.

Ephesians 4:30 And do not **grieve** the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

1 Thessalonians 4:8 Therefore he who **rejects** this does not reject man, but God, who has also given us His Holy Spirit.

1 Thessalonians 5:19 Do not **quench** the Spirit.

Hebrews 10:29 Of how much worse punishment, do you suppose, will he be thought worthy who has trampled the Son of God underfoot, counted the blood of the covenant by which he was sanctified a common thing, and **insulted** the Spirit of grace?

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