

HILLTOP HOUSE OF PRAYER

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- A. Tonight I want to take the next few moments and talk about why Jesus came? Many people don't understand the purpose of why God sent Jesus to the earth and what He did for us in coming.

II. HE CAME TO REVEAL TO US WHO GOD IS

- A. Jesus came to reveal to us who God is. There are many opinions about God, but the Bible sets the record straight about who God is and what He is like.

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God... He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him... And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth” (Jn 1:1,10,14).

“Jesus said to him, ‘I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me” (Jn. 14:6)

III. HE CAME TO GIVE US THE RIGHT TO BE CHILDREN OF GOD

- A. Jesus came to give us the right (ability) to become children of God. It doesn't matter who you are or where you have come from, or what you have done in the past. When you give your life to Jesus Christ, He makes you His very own son or daughter.

“But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right [authority, ability] to become children of God, to those who believe in His name” (Jn. 1:14).

“And you He made alive, who was dead in trespasses and sins, in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience... But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness towards us in Christ Jesus” (Eph. 2:1-2, 3-7).

IV. HE CAME TO BREAK THE POWER OF SIN IN OUR LIVES

- A. Here is some great news! You don't have to live in sin anymore, once Jesus becomes the Lord of your life. Sin is simply serving yourself instead of God. When Jesus comes into your life, He breaks the grip sin has over your life, and He sets you free!

“How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power, who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with Him” (Acts 10:38).

“Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed” (Jn 8:36).

- B. Jesus Christ is the deliverer! He saves you through and through (Sozo)

V. HE CAME TO FILL YOU WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT AND TO GIVE YOU POWER

- A. Jesus made us a promise when He rose from the dead that He would send the Holy Spirit in fullness after He returned to the Father. And the purpose of sending the Holy Spirit was to give us power [dynamis – inherent power, miracle working power].

“And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which He said you have heard from Me; for John [the Baptist] truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now... But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth” (Acts 1:4-5, 8).

- B. When the promised Holy Spirit would fill believers, it gave them the power to be witnesses and to live lives that would glorify Jesus, and do the works of Jesus.

VI. THE EVIDENCE OF HOLY SPIRIT BAPTISM – RECEIVING YOUR PRAYER LANGUAGE

- A. Here is the last point. The evidence of receiving the baptism in the Holy Spirit would be the ability to pray in a supernatural language (the gift of tongues). This gift will allow you to pray through the power of the Holy Spirit, in a supernatural language, that is only understood by God.

“When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the house where they were all sitting, then there appeared to them divided tongues as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance” (Acts 2:1-4).

- B. The heavenly language gives you the ability to pray directly to God and it builds up your faith in a most powerful way.

“For he who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God, for no one understands him; however in the spirit he speaks mysteries... He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself” (1 Cor. 14:2,4)

“But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit” (Jude 20).