

BIBLE STUDY REFERENCE LIST - CHAPTER 6
The Mystery of Christ In You: The Baptism of the Holy Ghost

INTRODUCTION

Quick reference Bible studies for the 12 Mysteries are essential for two purposes: defending the gospel against skeptics, and teaching Christians reasons they should hope in the Word of God. This book's length naturally begs for a quick reference guide for Biblical proof "*the mystery of God*"¹ has been finished, or revealed.

Below you'll find Bible study references for **Chapter 6** only. References for remaining chapters are available for free at www.pastorjessesmith.com/12mysteriesbook. You can also reach me via email, jesse.smith11@sbcglobal.net, or text 330-929-2037.

As Christians, we must verbally defend our faith. Twice Paul says he was set for the defense of the gospel in Philippians 1:7 and 17. In Greek, "defence" means "verbal defence, speech in defence, a reasoned statement or argument." The same Greek word for "defence" is also translated as "answer" in Peter's first epistle: "*But sanctify the Lord God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear.*"² You can be ready to share the truth with any inquirer.

Ministers especially must faithfully test all beliefs. Paul commands us to "*Prove all things*" in 1 Thessalonians 5:21. Prove means "to test, examine, prove, scrutinize (to see whether a thing is genuine or not), as metals" in the Greek. Since the Bible is our Absolute, all revelations are proven true by the pure words of Scripture alone.

Paul's message to Timothy in 2 Timothy 2:15 is: "*Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.*" Acts 17:11 labels the Bereans as a noble group because they searched the Scriptures daily to verify Paul's preaching.

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6TH MYSTERY: CHRIST IN YOU—THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY GHOST

Revelation: The Holy Ghost baptism is Christ's Spirit permanently indwelling and sealing (marking) the believer's soul as the Third Work of Grace.

The foretelling and announcing of the baptism of the Holy Ghost:

Joel 2:28-32, Acts 2:16-21 Peter quotes Joel when God poured out His Spirit on Day of Pentecost

Jer. 31:33, Heb. 8:10 Jeremiah described the Holy Ghost as God writing His commands on believers' hearts

Eze. 36:27 God's Spirit within believers causes them to keep His commands

Mark 1:8 John baptizes *with water: but Jesus shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost*

¹ Revelation 10:7

² 1 Peter 3:15

John 1:33 John saw the Spirit abide on Jesus; Christ was baptized with the Holy Ghost
Luke 4:1 describes Jesus as being *full of the Holy Ghost* after John baptized him
Mat. 20:23 Jesus tells His disciples they will be *baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with*
John 6:27 Jesus Himself says He was sealed by God the Father, or the Holy Spirit
2 Cor. 1:22, Eph. 1:13, 4:30 our Holy Ghost-baptism is also called a seal
John 3:1-12 Jesus tells Nicodemus all must be born again of the Spirit
Mat. 5:6 Jesus says those who *hunger and thirst after righteousness...shall be filled* with the Holy Ghost
Luke 11:13 Jesus says the *heavenly Father gives the Holy Spirit to them that ask him*
John 7:37-39 Jesus says the Holy Spirit would be given *after* He received His glorified body, following His resurrection; it occurred in Acts 2:4
John 14:16-17, 20, 26 Jesus promises to send the Comforter, or Spirit of truth, who shall be in you; *I in you*
John 17:23, 26 Jesus says twice: *I in them*
Luke 24:49, Acts 1:4-5 Jesus twice instructs His disciples to receive the promise of the Father, calling it the Holy Ghost-baptism
John 20:22 after resurrecting, Jesus *breathed on* His disciples, saying *Receive ye the Holy Ghost*
Acts 2:4 Jesus' disciples *were all filled with the Holy Ghost*, as Jesus promised

4 Book of Acts examples show a person is baptized with the Holy Ghost after justification and sanctification:

Luke 1:46-47, Acts 1:12-15, 2:1-4 Mary, mother of Jesus, was saved or justified before birthing Jesus: *God my Saviour*; she was filled with the Holy Ghost after 10 days of prayer and supplication in the upper room;
Acts 8:5-25 the Samaritans—previously justified at water baptism—received the Holy Ghost-baptism after Peter and John laid hands on them and prayed for them to receive the Spirit
Acts 10:1-48 Cornelius and his house received the Holy Ghost after hearing Peter preach; but prior to meeting Peter, Cornelius was already praying, fasting, and giving alms
Acts 19:1-7 12 Ephesians received the baptism of the Holy Ghost after Paul opened their understanding to the existence of the baptism of the Holy Ghost

Believers are baptized with the Holy Ghost through a bold, liberating, emotional worship experience others can “see and hear”:

Acts 2:1-33 120 Spirit-filled saints declare the wonderful works of God so emotionally at 9 AM that onlookers accuse them of being drunk; Peter says the people saw and heard God's Spirit being poured out
Acts 11:15 the Holy Ghost falls into the souls of men in a similar, worshipful manner every time: *And as I began to speak, the Holy Ghost fell on them, as on us at the beginning*
Acts 4:23-37 during a prayer meeting, saints loudly pray to God and souls are filled with the Holy Ghost in a shaking building
Acts 8:14-25 a former sorcerer and recent Christian convert named Simon is so amazed by how the Samaritans act upon receiving the Holy Ghost that he offers Peter money if he will give him the power to lay hands on people to impart the Holy Ghost

Acts 10:44-48 Holy Ghost-filled saints speak in tongues and magnify God
Acts 19:1-7 Ephesians speak in tongues and prophesy when filled with the Holy Ghost

Unknown tongues are not the evidence of the Holy Ghost-baptism:

Acts 2:4-12, 10:44-46, 19:1-6 all hearers always understood tongues; today, hardly anyone understands tongues spoken

Acts 4:31, 8:17 tongues were not manifested each time believers were born again; these 2 Scriptures do not mention tongues when saints were born again

1 Cor. 12:29-31 Paul taught some Christians do not speak in tongues; therefore, it cannot be an evidence of every Spirit-filled believer

1 Cor. 14:22 tongues are a sign for unbelievers—not believers

1 Cor. 14:28-29 no one knows the source of a tongue unless it's interpreted

John 14:26, 16:13 Jesus says the evidence of being born again is being led by the Spirit into all truth

More Scriptures that teach the 3 Works of Grace—justification, sanctification, baptism of the Holy Ghost:

Luke 19:9, 1 Cor. 1:18-21, 6:11, Tit. 3:5,7 justification is synonymous to salvation

John 17:17, 1 Cor. 6:11 sanctification comes by the Spirit, or Word of truth

Mat. 3:11, Acts 1:5, 2:4 the baptism of the Holy Ghost is the same as the filling

Eze. 36:26-27 three stages: new heart, new spirit, God's Spirit

Mark 4:28 Jesus' kingdom grows in 3 stages: blade, ear, full corn

List of synonymous terms and descriptors for the Holy Ghost baptism:

Luke 22:32 converted

Luke 24:49 endued with power from on high

John 3:7 born again, or new birth

John 10:28, 1 John 5:11-13 receiving eternal life

Rom. 5:5, 1 Cor. 13:1-13, 2 Pet. 1:7 love, or charity

Rom. 8:11 Spirit dwelling in you

Rom. 8:15 Spirit of adoption

2 Cor. 6:16,18 God the Father dwelling in and walking in them

Eph. 1:13, 4:30 seal

Col. 1:27 Christ in you

Tit. 3:5 washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Ghost

Rev. 7:14 washed robes made white in the blood of Jesus

The Holy Ghost-baptism comes upon one of man's three parts:

1 Thes. 5:23 men have a spirit (human spirit, or mind), soul, and body

The body does not receive the Holy Ghost-baptism:

Rom. 7:18 no good thing dwells in the flesh

Gal. 5:17 the flesh lusts against the Spirit; they are contrary one to another

The human spirit does not receive the Holy Ghost-baptism:

Rom. 12:1-2, 2 Cor. 4:16 the human mind needs transformed daily: *day by day*

Eph. 4:30 the seal of the Holy Ghost lasts *unto the day of redemption*—doesn't need renewed daily—and must be in the soul since the body and human spirit are ruled out

Rom. 8:4-7 the carnal mind is enmity against God; we daily fight carnal thinking, so we daily renew our minds

3 Scriptures declare the Day of Pentecost is the dividing line between the temporary and permanent anointing:

John 7:37-39 the Holy Ghost-baptism could only be given after Jesus resurrected in His glorified body

Acts 1:5 Jesus urges His apostles to wait in Jerusalem until they receive the Holy Ghost baptism

Acts 2:4 the Holy Spirit falls upon and fills 120 believers

Old Testament examples of the temporary anointing on the human spirit:

Gen. 41:38 the Spirit of God was in Joseph

Num. 27:18 *Joshua... a man in whom is the Spirit*

Ex. 31:2-5 Bezaleel was filled with the Spirit of God to help build Moses' Tabernacle

Mic. 3:8 Micah said he was full of power by the Spirit of the LORD

1 Sam. 10:1-10, 16:14-23, 18:6-12, 19:18-24 the Spirit of God and evil spirits come upon and then leave King Saul

New Testament examples of the temporary anointing on the human spirit:

Luke 1:15 John the Baptist was to be filled with the Spirit from his mother's womb

Luke 1:41 Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Ghost upon hearing Mary's salutation

Luke 1:67 Zacharias was filled with the Holy Ghost and prophesied

John 7:39 Jesus' words prove these fillings were in the human spirit—not the soul

Mat. 11:2-3 John's doubt Jesus was the Messiah proves his soul wasn't sealed by the Holy Ghost

Mat. 7:21-23 many persons had God's anointing but became workers of iniquity; sent to hell

Heb. 6:4-8 reprobates once enjoyed God's Spirit before falling away

Heb. 10:26-29 judgment awaits those who know God's grace but trample it under foot

The soul receives the permanent anointing, or seal, of the Holy Ghost:

Ps. 51:11 David asks God to not take His Spirit from him; shows his mind could lose the anointing

Eph. 4:30 although you can grieve, or offend the Spirit, the Holy Ghost seal lasts unto day of redemption, or until you get a new body

Mat. 11:28-29 Jesus says He'll give rest to our souls

John 14:16 the Comforter, or Holy Ghost, would abide with you forever

John 14:20, 23 Jesus promised believers would know He was living in them

Mat. 28:20 Jesus promises: *I am with you always*

John 17:23, 26 twice Jesus promises oneness by living inside believers

2 Cor. 6:16 in New Testament, God dwells in us, walks in us

Understanding the human soul—the nature, will, or desire of the human spirit:

Ps. 42:2 *my soul thirsts for God*; every soul thirsts for God

Isa. 26:7-8 the soul desires God Himself and His name

Mark 8:36 Jesus says man profits nothing if he loses his soul

Jam. 5:20 converting sinners saves their souls from death

Eze. 18:4 the soul that sins, or disbelieves, shall die

Rom. 2:9-10 anguish upon every soul that does evil

Col. 2:23 *will worship*, or worshipping in self-will, is condition of the disbelieving soul

8 images and foreshadowing of the soul receiving the Holy Ghost-baptism:

Acts 2:4, Eph. 2:3, 2 Pet. 1:4 the soul needs filled with God's divine nature because previously we were by nature the children of wrath; foreshadowed by Elisha's miracle of filling every empty pot with oil in 2 Kings 4:1-7

2 Cor. 1:22, Eph. 4:30 the soul needs sealed, or marked by God's Spirit; foreshadowed by Solomon likening his wife to a sealed fountain in Song of Solomon 4:12

Luke 24:49, Rom. 13:14, Col. 3:7-10 the soul needs clothed in divine power (Christ's Spirit) and the *old man*, or sin nature, must be taken off; foreshadowed by Elisha receiving Elijah's mantle, or anointing in 2 Kings 2:14

Rom. 2:28-29, Phil. 3:3, Col. 2:11 the soul needs its unbelief removed, or circumcised; foreshadowed by Abraham's circumcision as the sign of God's covenant in Genesis 17:1-14

John 3:7, 1 Pet. 1:23, 1 John 3:9, Rom. 7:17 the soul needs born or brought forth from above, and once born can never sin again; foreshadowed by Seth as another seed, or another birth from God to replace Abel in Genesis 4:25

Luke 8:15, Acts 2:16-17, 2 Cor. 4:6, Eph. 2:5 the soul needs quickened, or made alive by God's Spirit; foreshadowed by Aaron's rod that budded overnight in the Holiest of Holies in Numbers 17:8

Acts 1:5 the soul needs baptized, or immersed in God's Spirit; foreshadowed by Naaman's cleansing after his seventh baptism in 2 Kings 5:14

Isa. 11:10, 28:11-12, Mat. 11:28-29, 1 Cor. 14:21, Heb. 4:1-12 the soul needs rest from doing its own will; foreshadowed by Ruth resting until Boaz finished his redemption work in Ruth 3:18

The soul of the Old Testament believer:

John 7:37-39 only New Testament believers can have their souls born again

Heb. 11:1, 8-10 *By faith, Abraham*—Abraham had the single-portion anointing of faith upon his soul

2 Pet. 2:7-9 Lot was a *righteous man with a righteous soul*—his soul must have been anointed with faith, like Abraham

Heb. 9:91-4, 10:3-4 believers' flesh could be purified but their spirits could not be purged under the blood of bulls and goats

Full redemption of the human soul was purchased by Jesus' blood:

Col. 2:14 Jesus' blood

Mat. 20:28, Mark 10:45, 1 Tim. 2:6 Jesus' blood paid our ransom, or price of redemption

1 Pet. 1:18-19 we're redeemed by the precious blood of Christ

Acts 20:28 Christ purchased the church with His own blood

Rom. 6:23, Mat. 20:28 since the wages of sin was death, Christ's death as an innocent substitute was the payment, or ransom, to redeem our sinful souls

1 Cor. 6:20 you are bought with a price

Rom. 8:1 there's no condemnation to them that are in Christ Jesus

Heb. 9:14 we can so much more serve God with purged consciences through the blood of Christ

Rom. 5:1 being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ

Dividing asunder soul and human spirit:

Heb. 4:12 God's Word divides soul and spirit, joints and marrow (body)

2 Cor. 10:5 cast down any mind battle; bring your thoughts into obedience to Christ

Phil. 4:7-9 God's peace comes to those who purposely think on things that are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, of good report, virtuous, and praise worthy

1 Pet. 2:11, 1 Cor. 5:1-5 fleshly lusts war against the soul; example: man excommunicated for sexual sin in hopes his soul could be saved

Rom. 10:17 the soul and spirit are ministered to during preaching: *faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God*

1 Cor. 1:18 *the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God*

Eph. 4:11-16 five preaching gifts equip and edify believers while bringing a unity of faith and knowledge about Jesus Christ

Jesus' universal invitation to receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost in the soul:

John 7:37-39 offered the living water of the Holy Spirit to any man: *If any man thirst, let him come unto me and drink*

Mat. 11:28-30 Jesus invites *all* to come unto Him for soul-rest: *Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest...unto your souls*

Rom. 10:12-13 *For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him. For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."*

Rev. 22:17 the Holy Spirit in the Bride, or New Testament church, freely offers the water of life whosoever: *And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely*

Predestined to the soul baptism:

Rom. 8:29-30 God's three steps for salvation are foreknowledge, predestinate, calling

1 Pet. 1:2 we're *Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father*

Eph. 1:4-5 God chose us *in him before the foundation of the world* and then *predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to Himself*

Gal. 4:1-7 we were servants to sin until God adopted us into His family through Christ's redemptive work on the cross; we're born again because we already were sons in God's mind, by foreknowledge

Luke 15:11-32 prodigal son parable perfectly expresses predestination: only sons can return to the father!

John 14:17 Jesus, by foreknowledge, says worldly people cannot receive the Holy Ghost

John 6:37 *All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out*