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Praying in the Holy Spirit

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Key Text: Acts 2:1-4

Reasons to Pray in the Holy Spirit

1. It Restores Divine Communication

- Our spiritual man is communicating with God (I Corinthians 14:2; 14:14).

2. It Helps Us in Our Weaknesses

- The Holy Spirit intercedes for us when we don't know what to pray (Romans 8:26-27).
 - It allows us to pray the will of God for ourselves and others.

3. It Brings Unity

- After the Holy Spirit came, the church was in unity (Acts 2:42-47).
- It restores the unity that the disciples had at Babel (Genesis 11:5-7).

4. It Builds Us Up

- Praying in the Holy Spirit edifies us (Jude 1:20-21; I Corinthians 14:4).
- It is also a sign to unbelievers (I Corinthians 14:22).

5. It Keeps Us in the Love of God

- It keeps us from growing cold (Matthew 24:10-12).
- The Holy Spirit puts God's love into our hearts (Romans 5:5).

6. It Is Therapeutic

- Praying in the Holy Spirit is restful and refreshing (Isaiah 28:11-12).
- Drink of the Holy Spirit (Ephesians 5:18).

Baptized in the Holy Spirit is Not a Requirement for Salvation

- The baptism in the Holy Spirit comes after salvation (Acts 2:38; 19:1-6).

Baptism in the Holy Spirit is a Promise from God

- The disciples were told to wait for the promise of the Holy Spirit (Luke 24:49).
- The heavenly ministry of Jesus is to baptize in the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:33).
- The Holy Spirit continues Jesus' ministry on the earth (John 14:16).