

CATEGORY

Doctrine

TITLE

Baptism in the Holy Spirit

REFERENCE

Acts 1:8; 2:1–4

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Acts

LEADERS LESSON OVERVIEW—Lesson 1



FOR THE LEADER

The baptism in the Holy Spirit is a gift of God available to all believers for the intended purpose of providing power to live a life as a witness of Jesus Christ.

KEY POINT

I will seek the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

KEY VERSE

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” **Acts 1:8**

Note: Boys are not required to memorize the Key Point or Key Verse to receive completion credit for this lesson.

For information on how to use Bible merits in a Royal Rangers meeting, refer to the TRaCclub Support section or the *Royal Rangers Leader Manual*.

REFLECT ANSWERS

These answers match the questions in the Reflect section of the Student Handout.

- Anyone who has experienced salvation
- Power to live our lives as witnesses of all that God has done
- Answers will vary.



MATERIALS & PREP

Prepare a copy of the Student Handout for each boy.

Read the lesson in advance, taking note of the main points. Be prepared to present the lesson to your group, but avoid reading it word for word. Include discussion with the group to make it more enjoyable for everyone.

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STUDENT HANDOUT—Lesson 1



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READ

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When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. **Acts 2:1–4**

There is a joke about a man who called technical support. His computer would not come on. The support person had the man try different key commands. The support person had the man check the cords that connect to the computer. The support person tried every trick he knew.

Still, the man’s computer wouldn’t start up. Then, the support person asked if the power strip was working properly. All of a sudden, the computer owner knew what was wrong. His computer was not plugged in to the power strip.

We use lots of things that need electrical power. Some of those things are cell phones, TVs, and gaming systems. It’s frustrating to try to use a device that has dead batteries.

As followers of Jesus, we are His friends. We get to tell others about Him and His great love for us. We do that with our example and with our words. How we live sends a message to those around us.

We need help to be able to tell others about the God’s love for them. God offers us a gift, to help us. That gift is the baptism in the Holy Spirit. And everyone who believes in and follows Jesus can have it.

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ACTS—Lesson 1

The Holy Spirit helps us experience the full life Jesus offers. It also gives us power to let others know about all God has done. It makes us strong enough to not do things we know we shouldn't do. It gives us power to do the things we should do.

We can pray and receive the baptism in the Holy Spirit at any time. When we receive the gift, it will come with a sign to let us and everyone else around us know that we have been baptized. The sign is speaking in other tongues.

As a group, discuss the following questions.

- Who can be baptized in the Holy Spirit?
- The baptism in the Holy Spirit is what?
- How do you think baptism in the Holy Spirit might change you?

Review the Key Point and the Key Verse.

PRAYER: Dear Father, I want to be filled with Your Spirit so that I can be Your witness. Thank You for the gift of the baptism in the Holy Spirit that You give to us. I accept this gift from You. In the name of Jesus. Amen



REFLECT

Complete the word search by finding the words listed below.

ACTS	HOLY SPIRIT
BAPTISM	JESUS
FREE	PENTECOST
GIFT	TONGUES
GOD	WITNESS

R H G B U F A H O W E O W A S
 B O K E W K X G Y P F K F U S
 D L V K I V B Y E K A N S T E
 Y Y X V J O P N G S B E V P U
 U S O G P M T D X N J H B H G
 C P W P B E S V R G B K N F N
 V I E A C T S I C Z J I U X O
 X R A O T D F F T A Z W H H T
 D I S V F I Q M G P X J P U S
 A T N M I B Y W C I A D W C L
 Z Q D S I M F F Z I F B H T V
 S S E N T I W R Y L R T D X X
 C N B T Z U P E Q L Q V T T U
 G B G E Q O Z E L N Z V V W R
 V B C S S P F J V G J R D A J



RESPOND

Learn and say to a parent, guardian, or Royal Rangers leader Acts 1:8 and 2:4.

Remember to read your Bible this week using the Bible reading plan of your choice. A recommended plan can be found in the Bible Reading merit or online at RoyalRangers.com. Review this lesson with a friend or parent as a way to help you remember it.

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