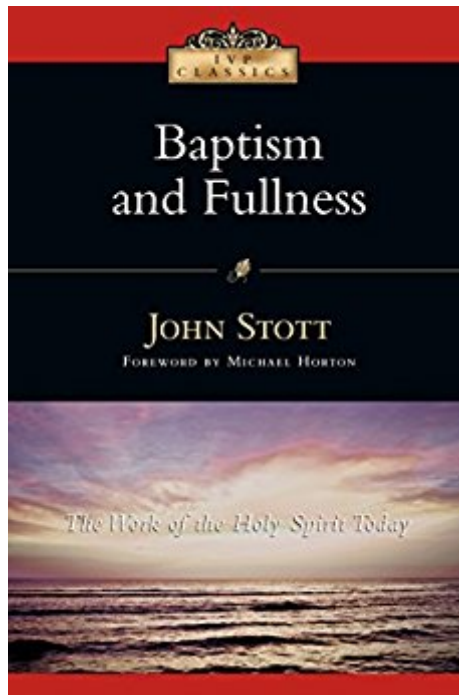




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"The Christian life is life in the Spirit," writes John Stott. "It would be impossible to be a Christian, let alone to live and grow as a Christian, without the ministry of the gracious Spirit of God. All we have and are as Christians we owe to him." The Holy Spirit continues to be at work around the world, as numerous renewal movements attest. Yet much confusion and controversy remain regarding the Holy Spirit's activity. In this classic study, John Stott provides clear biblical exposition on the promise, the fruit and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. He offers particular guidance on the nature of "the baptism of the Spirit" and whether certain spiritual gifts and experiences should be normative for all Christians. Always irenic and gracious, Stott points the way to both greater biblical understanding and deeper fullness of spiritual life.

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This book explained a lot about the indwelling of the Holy Spirit. I was always taught that a person had to be slain in the Spirit and speak in a different language. That is not true. The first time the Holy Spirit was given to dwell in people was in the upper room. It was done all at once. Now the

Holy Spirit comes to individuals when they verbally take Jesus as their savior. They don't necessarily have to speak in tongue. Tongues, which means other languages, is used to convey the message of salvation to unbelievers who are of a different language. Missionaries usually have need of this. I never wanted to speak in tongues or fall down. But I did want salvation through Jesus and the Holy Spirit to teach me. Now I have confidence that if the Lord needed me to speak in a different tongue, He would be there to do it. But it would be Him speaking and not me. My worries are over. Now all I have to do is be obedient to Him.

This is definitely one of the best reads on the baptism and work of the Holy Spirit out there. It seems that John Stott was a cessationist but acknowledged the spirit's power. He believed that prophecy and tongues are not around today and that the baptism of the Holy Spirit occurs at salvation. If you are looking for a good book on the Holy Spirit, read this one.

This book, while a shorter read (just over 100 pages), is a great resource for getting into the nuances of the Holy Spirit and His work. Both concise and enjoyable to read, Stott dives into a lot of Scripture to show the foundation of how the Holy Spirit works in and through us. If anyone is studying this topic academically or needs clarity amidst their own Christian faith, I highly recommend this book.

A beautiful picture of how the Holy Spirit works in us for the glory of our Lord Jesus.

Very good references listed to describe the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

classic book. easy to read, easy to understand. I've given away many, many copies of this little book.

Good study.

This is by far the best book available today on a sometimes controversial topic - the work of the Holy Spirit. I have given out nearly 20 of them in the last ten years. It's a MUST READ!

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