

The Holy Spirit – (Volume 5, Study IX)



“Praying for The Holy Spirit”

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Reference: Vol. 5, bottom of page 222; Sub-Heading “Praying for the Holy Spirit” through page 225;
see select scriptures and Bible comments.

- 1) **According to the paragraph, how does our Lord give all the glory to the Father as the “fountain of blessing,” and how should this affect the way we pray for the holy Spirit?**
page E223, Paragraph 1; Luke 11:13; James 1:17; John 16:13–15

- 2) **What does Bro. Russell say about how the unregenerate and the heathen pray for earthly blessings, compared with how consecrated believers should pray for the holy Spirit as the “great supreme blessing”? How should this change the tone and content of our daily petitions?**
page E223, Paragraph 1; Matt. 6:31–33; Phil. 4:6–7; Col. 3:1–2; Luke 11:9–13

- 3) **Bro. Russell says there is no need for fresh baptisms of the holy Spirit, but that we must “open the sluices” and remove “clogs.” What does this picture teach us about how the holy Spirit works in us and what we should be doing day by day?**
Page E223, Paragraph 2; Eph. 5:18; Gal. 5:16–17, 22–23; 2 Cor. 7:1

- 4) **The Spirit of holiness in abundance can be received only as the “mind or spirit of the world” and “self-will” give place (are set aside, replaced). How does this help us understand the condition of heart needed to be “filled with all the fulness of God”?**
Page E224, Paragraph 1; Eph. 3:17–19; Rom. 12:2; 1 John 2:15–17; Luke 9:23

- 5) **What does Bro. Russell mean when he says we must “find the provision” God has made and actually “eat,” and why is it “absolutely useless” to pray for the Spirit while neglecting the Word of truth?** *Page E225, Paragraphs 1–2; John 6:63; Jer. 15:16; 1 Pet. 2:2*

- 6) **What happens if we merely pray for the holy Spirit but do not “eat” the Word, and how might this show itself in the Christian’s life?**
Page E225, Paragraph 2; Heb. 5:12–14; 2 Tim. 3:16–17; John 20:29