



Future-proofing our children

Confirmation 2

Lesson Title: Baptism with the Holy Spirit

A Parent's Guide

Sunday School Home Schooling



Dear Parent

Welcome to the **Baptism with the Holy Spirit** Confirmation 2 lesson.

This document provides you with a minimum guide on how to present the lesson.

How to prepare and present the lesson

Below are some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

Step	Action
1	<p>Access the New Apostolic Church Website by keying-in or clicking on the following link from WhatsApp:</p> <p>https://bit.ly/3NACSSHS</p>
2	<p>Gather the following tools to ensure that you are ready for the lesson:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Bible • The lesson in PDF format that is already prepared • Child's workbook and pencils, crayons, etc. • The Video Clip which is an additional/ optional resource tool • Catechism and Questions and Answers (especially for Confirmation) <p>Note:</p> <p>2.1: An ideal time preferably to present the lesson is after the Sunday morning service in line with the normal Sunday School time to maintain the routine.</p> <p>2.2: Please keep the lesson as concise (brief) as possible, bearing in mind the attention span (to focus on the lesson) of our children - you know your child best! <i>Sunday School normally does not exceed 45 minutes.</i></p> <p>2.3: The lesson is class specific (Confirmation 2).</p> <p>2.4: Please contact your Confirmation Teacher if you need any assistance or if you need any of the above resources.</p>
3	<p>Pray (see the prayer at the end of this document) and ask God to use you as a tool to present the lesson the way He would want us to present it.</p>



Present a Confirmation Lesson at Home

How to prepare and present the lesson

We continue to share some tips on how to go about preparing and presenting the lesson:

Step	Action
4	Create a pleasant, disturbance free learning environment where you and the child/ren are at the same level. Example: Sit on a mat or around a table.
5	Read through the lesson. Re-read the lesson so that you understand it. Watch the video-clip of the lesson to get a better understanding of the lesson.
6	Make notes for yourself on important points that you would like to remember.
7	Understand the objective of the lesson that your child must remember.
8	Present the lesson to your child.
9	Show your child the video and recap on the meaning.
10	Refer your child to the activity in the child's workbook (I Also Want To.....)
11	Pray, or ask your child to pray and close the lesson.

Available tools in terms of Home Schooling

Herewith some tools to enhance the quality of the lesson:

1. WhatsApp chat the lesson with another Confirmation 2 family.
2. Discuss the lesson with other parents to obtain clarity regarding the lesson before it is presented.
3. Feel free to conduct (do) your own research for additional (extra) information.
4. Contact your congregation Sunday School Coordinator and Teacher for additional information.



The Lesson

Lesson Title	The Baptism with the Holy Spirit
Text	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Acts 1 vs. 4 – 8• Acts 2 vs. 1 – 4• Acts 8 vs. 15 – 17• Matthew 28 vs. 19 -20• John 3 vs. 5• 2 Corinthians 5 vs.17• James 1 vs.18• Ephesians 4 vs.13• John 14 vs.3
Lesson Objective	<p>The objectives of this lesson are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The confirmands believe that through the rebirth out of the water and the Spirit<ol style="list-style-type: none">a) A human being becomes a child of God, andb) Receives the prerequisite for becoming a firstlingc) They have obtained the pledge of future glory.
 Notes	



Lesson Summary:

The Holy Spirit came down upon Jesus like a dove after John the Baptist had baptised Him with water. He received the Holy Spirit directly from His Father (cf. Matthew 3: 16 and Luke 3: 22).

At Pentecost, a sound came from heaven like the roaring of a mighty wind. Tongues like flames of fire appeared to the faithful who had gathered. The Holy Spirit settled on all those who were together as the Lord Jesus had instructed them (cf. Acts 1: 4–8 and 2: 1–4).

In the early church, Apostles dispensed the gift of the Holy Spirit through the laying on of hands and prayer.

Today Living Apostles of Jesus Christ are active in the New Apostolic Church; They seal believing people around the world with the gift of the Holy Spirit.

While praying an apostle places his hands upon a person and says, “Receive the Holy Spirit in the name of God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.”

The Lord Jesus said to Nicodemus, “Most assuredly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God” (John 3: 5).

Because we have the Holy Spirit, we need to love our Father in Heaven, listen to God’s word, and live it. We must always be busy with different activities in God’s house, pray and always want to learn more about God.

As God’s children we have every reason to be joyful. We have a heavenly Father who cares for us in earthly matters, but above all spiritually.

What does this lesson mean for us today?

We have learnt in this lesson that:

- A living apostle today dispenses the Holy Spirit the same as it was done by the Disciples.
- You must be baptised with water and receive the Holy Spirit through an apostle, to obtain the childhood in God.
- We become a “new creation” after being baptised with water and the Holy Spirit and we must allow it to develop within us by being busy in God’s work.
- We must always find the joy in God’s work as we are preparing to for Jesus’s return.



Some questions that we can ask:

1. How did Jesus receive the Holy Spirit?

Answer: The Holy Spirit came down upon Jesus like a dove after John the Baptist had baptised Him with water.

2. When was the Holy Spirit poured out in Jerusalem?

Answer: On Pentecost Day

3. How was the Holy Spirit poured out on Pentecost Day?

Answer: A sound came from heaven like the roaring of a mighty wind. Tongues like flames of fire appeared to the faithful who had gathered

4. How do souls receive the Gift of the Holy Spirit today?

Answer: By the laying on of hands and prayer by a living Apostle

5. How can one enter God's Kingdom?

Answer: Through the baptism water and the Holy Spirit

6. What lifestyle is a Child of God who was baptised with water and the Holy Spirit to have?

Answer: We need to love our Father in Heaven, listen to God's word, and live it. We must always be busy with different activities in God's house, pray and always want to learn more about God.



Notes



Additional Notes Dear Parents

1. The activity to be done in the child's confirmation workbook. It is part of lesson 22. This can be done after the lesson is presented to them or if you choose, you can do it as an activity where you and your child do it together.
2. As part of homework, your child must also practice the eight Article of Faith.

The wording is as follows:

I believe that those baptized with water must, though an Apostle, receive the gift of the Holy Spirit to attain the childhood in God and thereby the prerequisite for becoming a firstling.

The confirmands must be able to know each of the articles of faith or at least explain what it is about by the end of their confirmation education.



A Prayer for Daddy and Mommy to pray before the lesson:

Dear God, thank you for this day

Bless all parents and children

May we feel your presence

Bless the lesson we will have

Please teach us how to serve you

And help us to do your will

So that we grow closer to you

Send Jesus to fetch us

And may we be ready to meet Him - Amen