

Aim: Sword of the Spirit: The Word of God

Refer: Luke 2; Ephesians 6:14

There are actually two types of baptism spoken about in the Bible read

Luke 3:16 (I baptised you with water but one will come who will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire)

Acts 1:5 (John baptised with water but in a few days you will be baptised with the Holy Ghost)

- **Physical Baptism** – like a wedding ceremony, shows the world that someone is committing their life to Jesus and wants to live with Jesus forever.
- **Spiritual Baptism** – when someone is filled with the Holy Spirit

Most people only get married once (unless something happens to their first husband or wife)

Occasionally people will choose to have a second wedding with their husband or wife if they want to show that they are recommitting their lives.

Most people only get baptised once unless they want to show that they are recommitting their lives...

Jesus washing Peter's feet – didn't need to be rebaptised, only needed feet cleaned.

We need physical food daily, we need spiritual food daily to sustain us.

The parable of the vine and the branches John 15:1-5

The book, Steps to Personal Revival describes humans as vessels with holes. Like a bucket with a crack in it – we need to be repeatedly filled with the Holy Spirit or we will become empty.

How do we get spiritual food? Through prayer and Bible study.

Read Luke 11:11-13 (how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit)

Consider: What does a General do in an army? He coordinates everything; a single soldier by themselves does not do very much but when all the soldiers and army units are guided by the general together, they can accomplish their goals.

We could say that the Holy Spirit is like a general; without His guidance, we will lose the battle.

Read Ephesians 6:18

"Pray in the Spirit at all times and on every occasion. Stay alert and be persistent in your prayers for all believers everywhere." Ephesians 6:18NLT

When you pray, God's angels fight on your behalf; they will even fight for the people you pray for! This is one way for you to attack Satan.

Praying with Bible verses is even more effective it is a way of using the sword of the Spirit.