

The Tsunami Blessing Inside and Out, Part 386 Scriptures

This is Section AC of a multi-part instruction. Holy Spirit was first introduced in the book of Genesis as the Third Person of the Godhead, Elohim. Throughout the Old Testament, you can see the empowerment of Holy Spirit demonstrated. This fixes our focus, not on our own power or might, but by the Spirit of the Lord Most High. Holy Spirit fills us to overflowing so we can expect Him to come in like a flood to make miraculous changes in the world through us.

Holy Spirit supervened Mary's womb by impregnating her with Jesus. Our Heavenly Father, Abba anointed Jesus with Holy Spirit and dunamis power. Then Abba accompanied Jesus as He went about doing good, and healing all who were oppressed of the devil during His earthly ministry. Jesus baptizing you with Holy Spirit and the fire of God grants you an unfair advantage to fulfill your destiny on earth.

Jesus introduced Holy Spirit as the One to lead God's succession plan on earth after His ascension. Jesus commissioned the Body of Christ to do the same works He performed on earth giving us our invitation to inherit and inhabit His anointing. Jesus also promised the Body of Christ that greater works will even be performed because of the presence and power of Holy Spirit upon us so we are filled with the fullness of God. You are a habitation of God through Holy Spirit where Jesus Christ lives in your heart by faith. That's how the Tsunami Blessing, Inside and Out will become a heaven-born reality.

THIS WEEK WE WILL ADDRESS THE CANDLESTICK. LAST WEEK, OUR FOCUS WAS ON THE ANOINTING OIL OF HOLY SPIRIT. TWO WEEKS AGO, OUR FOCUS WAS ON THE LIGHT OF GOD THROUGH JESUS TO YOU.

Seven Golden Lampstands in Revelation

John's inaugural vision centers on "seven golden lampstands" ([Revelation 1:12](#)) among which stands the glorified Son of Man (1:13). Verse 20 removes all doubt: "The seven lampstands are the seven churches." Several observations flow from the imagery:

1. Gold signifies value and purity; Christ cherishes His assemblies.
2. Each congregation is distinct yet equally addressed, underscoring local responsibility before the risen Lord.
3. The Lord "walks among" them (2:1), actively inspecting their faithfulness.

Discipline and Reward of Local Churches

To Ephesus the Lord warns, “If you do not repent, I will come to you and remove your lampstand from its place” ([Revelation 2:5](#)). The threat is not loss of individual salvation but loss of corporate witness—the very *raison d’être* of a lampstand. Persevering love, doctrinal purity, and vibrant works keep a church’s light in place; neglect extinguishes influence.

Prophetic Witness in [Revelation 11](#)

The two eschatological witnesses are styled “the two lampstands that stand before the Lord of the earth” ([Revelation 11:4](#)), echoing [Zechariah 4](#). Empowered by the Spirit, they shine in a darkened world, demonstrating that God always preserves a testimony even in the last days.

Theological Themes of Light and Testimony

1. Origin of Light—God alone is the source; the stand can offer nothing independent of the lamp.
2. Mediation—A lampstand elevates light, mirroring the church’s role in exalting Christ.
3. Accountability—Lampstands are inspected, moved, or removed by the Lord who “knows your deeds.”
4. Continuity—From Tabernacle to Revelation, the object remains a vessel for divine illumination, affirming the unity of Scripture’s message.

Practical Ministry Lessons

- Guard first love; otherwise the Lord may silence a congregation’s voice.
- Maintain doctrinal clarity; mixed messages dim the flame.
- Cultivate Spirit-filled boldness; light is meant for public spaces, not cellars.
- Remember the collective dimension; individual believers form part of a broader stand designed to flood the world with gospel light.

Revelation 1, Living Bible

¹ This book unveils some of the future activities soon to occur in the life of Jesus Christ.^[a] God permitted him to reveal these things to his servant John in a vision; and then an angel was sent from heaven to explain the vision’s meaning. ² John wrote it all down—the words of God and Jesus Christ and everything he heard and saw.

³ If you read this prophecy aloud to the church, you will receive a special blessing from the Lord. Those who listen to it being read and do what it says

will also be blessed. For the time is near when these things will all come true.

⁴ *From:* John

To: The seven churches in Turkey.^[b] *Dear Friends:* May you have grace and peace from God who is, and was, and is to come; and from the sevenfold Spirit before his throne; ⁵ and from Jesus Christ who faithfully reveals all truth to us. He was the first to rise from death, to die no more.^[c] He is far greater than any king in all the earth. All praise to him who always loves us and who set us free from our sins by pouring out his lifeblood for us. ⁶ He has gathered us into his Kingdom and made us priests of God his Father. Give to him everlasting glory! He rules forever! Amen! ⁷ See! He is arriving, surrounded by clouds; and every eye shall see him—yes, and those who pierced him.^[d] And the nations will weep in sorrow and in terror when he comes. Yes! Amen! Let it be so! ⁸ “I am the A and the Z,^[e] the Beginning and the Ending of all things,” says God, who is the Lord, the All Powerful One who is, and was, and is coming again!” ⁹ It is I, your brother John, a fellow sufferer for the Lord’s sake, who am writing this letter to you. I, too, have shared the patience Jesus gives, and we shall share his Kingdom! I was on the island of Patmos, exiled there for preaching the Word of God and for telling what I knew about Jesus Christ.

¹⁰ It was the Lord’s Day and I was worshiping, when suddenly I heard a loud voice behind me, a voice that sounded like a trumpet blast, ¹¹ saying, “I am A and Z, the First and Last!” And then I heard him say, “Write down everything you see, and send your letter to the seven churches in Turkey:^[f] to the church in Ephesus, the one in Smyrna, and those in Pergamos, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea.” ¹² When I turned to see who was speaking, there behind me were seven candlesticks of gold. ¹³ And standing among them was one who looked like Jesus, who called himself the

Son of Man,^[g] wearing a long robe circled with a golden band across his chest. ¹⁴ His hair was white as wool or snow,^[h] and his eyes penetrated like flames of fire. ¹⁵ His feet gleamed like burnished bronze, and his voice thundered like the waves against the shore. ¹⁶ He held seven stars in his right hand and a sharp, double-bladed sword in his mouth,^[i] and his face shone like the power of the sun in unclouded brilliance. ¹⁷⁻¹⁸ When I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead; but he laid his right hand on me and said, “Don’t be afraid! Though I am the First and Last, the Living One who died, who is now alive forevermore, who has the keys of hell and death—don’t be afraid! ¹⁹ Write down what you have just seen and what will soon be shown to you. ²⁰ This is the meaning of the seven stars you saw in my right hand and the seven golden candlesticks: The seven stars are the leaders^[j] of the seven churches, and the seven candlesticks are the churches themselves.

Footnotes

- a. Revelation 1:1 *This book unveils . . . the life of Jesus Christ*, literally, “This is the revelation of [concerning, or from] Jesus Christ.”
- b. Revelation 1:4 *in Turkey*, literally, “in Asia.” *the sevenfold Spirit*, literally, “the seven Spirits.” But see Isaiah 11:2, where various aspects of the Holy Spirit are described, and Zechariah 4:2-6, giving probability to the paraphrase; see also 2:7.
- c. Revelation 1:5 *He was the first to rise from death, to die no more*, literally, “He was the firstborn from the dead.” Others (Lazarus, etc.) rose to die again. As used here the expression therefore implies “to die no more.”
- d. Revelation 1:7 *and those who pierced him*. John saw this happen with his own eyes—the piercing of Jesus—and never forgot the horror of it.
- e. Revelation 1:8 *I am the A and the Z*, literally, “I am Alpha and Omega.” These are the first and last letters of the Greek alphabet. *is coming again*, literally, “who comes” or “who is to come.”
- f. Revelation 1:11 *in Turkey*, literally, “in Asia.”

- g. Revelation 1:13 *like Jesus, who called himself the Son of Man*, literally, “like unto a Son of Man.” John recognizes him from having lived with him for three years, and from seeing him in glory at the Transfiguration.
- h. Revelation 1:14 *His hair was white as wool or snow*, literally, “His head—the hair—was white like wool.”
- i. Revelation 1:16 *in his mouth*, literally, “came out from his mouth.”
- j. Revelation 1:20 *leaders*, literally, “angels.” Some expositors (Origen, Jerome, etc.) believe from this that an angelic being is appointed by God to oversee each local church.

Revelation 2-3, Living Bible

2 *“Write a letter to the leader^[a] of the church at Ephesus and tell him this:*

“I write to inform you of a message from him who walks among the churches and holds their leaders in his right hand. “He says to you: ² I know how many good things you are doing. I have watched your hard work and your patience; I know you don’t tolerate sin among your members, and you have carefully examined the claims of those who say they are apostles but aren’t. You have found out how they lie. ³ You have patiently suffered for me without quitting. ⁴ “Yet there is one thing wrong; you don’t love me as at first! ⁵ Think about those times of your first love (how different now!) and turn back to me again and work as you did before; or else I will come and remove your candlestick from its place among the churches. ⁶ “But there is this about you that is good: You hate the deeds of the licentious Nicolaitans,^[b] just as I do. ⁷ *“Let this message sink into the ears of anyone who listens to what the Spirit is saying to the churches: To everyone who is victorious, I will give fruit from the Tree of Life in the Paradise of God.*

⁸ *“To the leader of the church in Smyrna write this letter:* “This message is from him who is the First and Last, who was dead and then came back to life. ⁹ “I know how much you suffer for the Lord, and I know all about your poverty (but you have heavenly riches!). I know the slander of those

opposing you, who say that they are Jews—the children of God—but they aren't, for they support the cause of satan. ¹⁰ Stop being afraid of what you are about to suffer—for the devil will soon throw some of you into prison to test you. You will be persecuted for 'ten days.' Remain faithful even when facing death and I will give you the crown of life—an unending, glorious future.^[c] ¹¹ **Let everyone who can hear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches: He who is victorious shall not be hurt by the Second Death.**

⁵⁻¹² *"Write this letter to the leader of the church in Pergamos:* "This message is from him who wields the sharp and double-bladed sword. ¹³ I am fully aware that you live in the city where satan's throne is, at the center of satanic worship; and yet you have remained loyal to me and refused to deny me even when Antipas, my faithful witness, was martyred among you by satan's devotees.¹⁴ "And yet I have a few things against you. You tolerate some among you who do as Balaam did when he taught Balak how to ruin the people of Israel by involving them in sexual sin and encouraging them to go to idol feasts. ¹⁵ Yes, you have some of these very same followers of Balaam^[d] among you! ¹⁶ "Change your mind and attitude, or else I will come to you suddenly and fight against them with the sword of my mouth. ¹⁷ **Let everyone who can hear, listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches: Everyone who is victorious shall eat of the hidden manna, the secret nourishment from heaven; and I will give to each a white stone, and on the stone will be engraved a new name that no one else knows except the one receiving it.**

¹⁸ *"Write this letter to the leader of the church in Thyatira:* "This is a message from the Son of God, whose eyes penetrate like flames of fire, whose feet are like glowing brass. ¹⁹ "I am aware of all your good deeds—your kindness to the poor, your gifts and service to them; also I know your love and faith and patience, and I can see your constant improvement in all these things. ²⁰ "Yet I have this against you: You are permitting that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess, to teach my servants that sex sin is

not a serious matter; she urges them to practice immorality and to eat meat that has been sacrificed to idols. ²¹ I gave her time to change her mind and attitude, but she refused. ²² Pay attention now to what I am saying: I will lay her upon a sickbed of intense affliction, along with all her immoral followers,^[e] unless they turn again to me, repenting of their sin with her; ²³ and I will strike her children dead. And all the churches shall know that I am he who searches deep within men's hearts, and minds; I will give to each of you whatever you deserve.

²⁴⁻²⁵ "As for the rest of you in Thyatira who have not followed this false teaching ('deeper truths,' as they call them—depths of satan, really), I will ask nothing further of you; only hold tightly to what you have until I come.

²⁶ "To everyone who overcomes—who to the very end keeps on doing things that please me—I will give power over the nations. ²⁷ You will rule them with a rod of iron just as my Father gave me the authority to rule them; they will be shattered like a pot of clay that is broken into tiny pieces. ²⁸ And I will give you the Morning Star! ²⁹ "Let all who can hear listen to what the Spirit says to the churches.

3 *"To the leader of the church in Sardis write this letter:*

"This message is sent to you by the one who has the sevenfold Spirit^[f] of God and the seven stars. "I know your reputation as a live and active church, but you are dead. ² Now wake up! Strengthen what little remains—for even what is left is at the point of death. Your deeds are far from right in the sight of God. ³ Go back to what you heard and believed at first; hold to it firmly and turn to me again. Unless you do, I will come suddenly upon you, unexpected as a thief, and punish you. ⁴ "Yet even there in Sardis some haven't soiled their garments with the world's filth; they shall walk with me in white, for they are worthy. ⁵ Everyone who conquers will be clothed in white, and I will not erase his name from the Book of Life, but I will

announce before my Father and his angels that he is mine.⁶ “Let all who can hear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

⁷ “*Write this letter to the leader of the church in Philadelphia.* “This message is sent to you by the one who is holy and true and has the key of David to open what no one can shut and to shut what no one can open. ⁸ “I know you well; you aren’t strong, but you have tried to obey^[g] and have not denied my Name. Therefore I have opened a door to you that no one can shut.

⁹ “Note this: I will force those supporting the causes of satan while claiming to be mine^[h] (but they aren’t—they are lying) to fall at your feet and acknowledge that you are the ones I love. ¹⁰ “Because you have patiently obeyed me despite the persecution, therefore I will protect you from the time of Great Tribulation and temptation,^[i] which will come upon the world to test everyone alive. ¹¹ Look, I am coming soon!^[j] Hold tightly to the little strength you have—so that no one will take away your crown. ¹² “As for the one who conquers, I will make him a pillar in the temple of my God; he will be secure and will go out no more; and I will write my God’s Name on him, and he will be a citizen in the city of my God—the New Jerusalem, coming down from heaven from my God; and he will have my new Name inscribed upon him. ¹³ “Let all who can hear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches.

¹⁴ “*Write this letter to the leader of the church in Laodicea:* “This message is from the one who stands firm,^[k] the faithful and true Witness of all that is or was or evermore shall be, the primeval source of God’s creation: ¹⁵ “I know you well—you are neither hot nor cold; I wish you were one or the other! ¹⁶ But since you are merely lukewarm, I will spit you out of my mouth! ¹⁷ “You say, ‘I am rich, with everything I want; I don’t need a thing!’ And you don’t realize that spiritually you are wretched and miserable and poor and blind and naked. ¹⁸ “My advice to you is to buy pure gold from me, gold purified by fire—only then will you truly be rich. And to purchase from me

white garments, clean and pure, so you won't be naked and ashamed; and to get medicine from me to heal your eyes and give you back your sight. ¹⁹ I continually discipline and punish everyone I love; so I must punish you unless you turn from your indifference and become enthusiastic about the things of God. ²⁰ "Look! I have been standing at the door, and I am constantly knocking. If anyone hears me calling him and opens the door, I will come in and fellowship with him and he with me. ²¹ I will let everyone who conquers sit beside me on my throne, just as I took my place with my Father on his throne when I had conquered. ²² Let those who can hear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the churches."

Footnotes

- a. Revelation 2:1 *leader*, literally, "angel" and so also in 2:8; 2:12; 2:18; 3:1; 3:7; 3:14. *from him who walks among the churches*, literally, "from him who holds the seven stars in his right hand and walks among the golden candlesticks."
- b. Revelation 2:6 *Nicolaitans*, which, when translated from Greek to Hebrew, becomes *Balaamites*, who were followers of the man who induced the Israelites to fall by lust. (See 2:14 and Numbers 31:15-16.)
- c. Revelation 2:10 *an unending, glorious future*, implied.
- d. Revelation 2:15 *Balaam*, literally, "Nicolaitans," Greek form of "Balaamites."
- e. Revelation 2:22 *along with all her immoral followers*, literally, "together with all those who commit adultery with her."
- f. Revelation 3:1 *the sevenfold Spirit*, see note on 1:4.
- g. Revelation 3:8 *you have tried to obey*, literally, "you have kept my word."
- h. Revelation 3:9 *those supporting the causes of satan while claiming to be mine*, literally, "those who say they are Jews but are not."
- i. Revelation 3:10 *I will protect you from the time of Great Tribulation and temptation*, or "I will keep you from failing in the hour of testing." The inference is not clear in the Greek as to whether this means "kept from" or "kept through" the coming horror.
- j. Revelation 3:11 *soon*, or "suddenly," "unexpectedly."

- k. Revelation 3:14 *from the one who stands firm*, literally, "from the Amen." *of all that is or was or evermore shall be*, implied.