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The Foul Smells

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As I was praying in my closet a foul odor like unwashed gym clothes came into the room. I started rebuking the odor. In the past when the smell of sulfur came into my closet and I rebuked it in the name of Jesus and the smell left immediately. But this smell would not leave. Finally I asked God about the smell. He spoke and said that is what He smells all the time from churches and pastors that are doing His work but have denied the baptism of the Holy Spirit and are not fully equipped for His work. And His blessings are greatly limited for these pastors and churches. After God spoke then, the smell lifted from my prayer closet. Note—added 12-05-02, this I heard from the Lord and he gave me a sign by my sense of smell before he spoke it.

Added 12-04-02—*1 Samuel 2:30* **30** "Therefore, the LORD, the God of Israel, says: The terrible things you are doing cannot continue! I had promised that your branch of the tribe of Levi would always be my priests. But I will honor only those who honor me, and I will despise those who despise me. (NLT)

Added 06-28-02—*Isaiah 65:5* **5** Yet they say to each other, 'Don't come too close or you will defile me! I am holier than you!' They are a stench in my nostrils, an acrid smell that never goes away. (NLT) This represents churches today on their attitudes about their doctrines as compared to another church and their doctrines.

Added 09-14-02—*Luke 4:14-19* **14** And Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit into Galilee: and there went out a fame of him through all the region round about. **15** And he taught in their synagogues, being glorified of all. **16** And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read. **17** And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, **18** The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, **19** To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. (KJV)

Acts 1:4-8 **4** And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have heard of me. **5** For John truly baptized with water; but ye

*shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence. **6** When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? **7** And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power. **8** But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. (KJV)*

Jesus set the example of the baptism of the Holy Spirit and told the disciples to wait for the baptism of the Holy Spirit. Jesus changes not. **Hebrews 13:8** **8** *Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever. (KJV)* Are we not his disciples today?

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