

# **Real Man**

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Luke 3:21–22 (ESV)

<sup>21</sup> Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, <sup>22</sup> and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

**John’s birth and Jesus’ birth were supernatural and also John’s baptism of Jesus was supernatural.**

**#1 Jesus is Baptized by John**

**#2 The Heavens were opened**

**#3 The Holy Spirit descends from heaven on Jesus in bodily form like a DOVE**

**#4 A voice from heaven says, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”**

**In C.3 John the last OT prophet speaking like an OT prophet introduces us to Jesus. We see Jesus as a man. Of course we acknowledge Jesus is God:**

John 1:1 (ESV)

In the beginning was **the Word**, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

John 1:14 (ESV)

And **the Word** became flesh and dwelt among us!

**However it is important to see Jesus in human form, the perfect man, man as man was created to be.**

**Luke even presents Jesus' genealogy from Mary's human side: Luke states in 2:23, "Jesus, the son (as was supposed) of Joseph" ... then the genealogy ends in 2:38 with "the son of Adam, the Son of God." This highlights the human side of Jesus.**

**Jesus as a perfect man is baptized and receives the Holy Spirit. It also should be noted that as a perfect man Jesus does not start HIS earthly ministry until the Holy Spirit comes on HIM.**

**Important fact about Jesus, as a perfect man, HE willingly did not act on HIS own volition.**

Phil.2:6-7 (NIV)

<sup>6</sup>Who, being in very nature God,  
did not consider equality with God something to be  
used to his own advantage;

<sup>7</sup>rather, he made himself nothing  
by taking the very nature of a servant,  
being made in human likeness.

**Jesus as a perfect man through the Holy Spirit only did what God the father told HIM.**

John 5:19 (ESV)

So Jesus said to them, "**Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord**, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise."

**Glove – Example/Demonstration – Jesus the Perfect Man; the Real Man as man was supposed to be!**

**This is Jesus behaving, as a man is supposed to behave!**

Acts 2:22 (ESV)

Hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, **a man attested to you by God** with mighty works and wonders and signs **that God did through him** in your midst.

**Jesus as the perfect man, one with God, enabled God to work through HIM perfectly.**

**Seeing Jesus behave as the perfect man, we look at how God desires men and women to behave. Of primary importance, as Christians, we must receive power from on High in order to behave as real men and women.**

Luke 24:49 (ESV)

And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until **you are clothed with power from on high.**

**!!!Normal Christians are clothed with power from on high and led by the Spirit of God!!!**

Romans 8:14 (ESV)

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.

**Glove – Perfect Men and Women/Real Men and Women/TV show “Suites” same as empty Glove!**

**OT example:**

Judges 6:34 (ESV) But the Spirit of the LORD clothed Gideon!

**LITERALLY, "THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD CLOTHED HIMSELF WITH GIDEON."**

**This is behaving, as a man is supposed to behave.**

**Paul is the normal human example of a real man!**

Romans 15:18–19 (ESV)

<sup>18</sup> For I will not venture to speak of anything **except what Christ has accomplished through me** to bring the Gentiles to obedience—by word and deed, <sup>19</sup> by the power of signs and wonders, **by the power of the Spirit of God—**

**These verses are identical to Acts 2:22 describing Jesus behaving as the perfect man; a real man. Therefore, real men and women like Jesus allow the Holy Spirit “to behave” through them!**

**Salvation is forgiveness through Jesus Christ, but also it includes receiving the Holy Spirit.**

Acts 2:38 (ESV)

And Peter said to them, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and **you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.**”

**Through Jesus we receive forgiveness “AND” power from on High! This power from on high, the power of the Holy Spirit, should not be looked at as a special gift for special people, but it is a gift for all Christians received simply by asking!**

Luke 11:13 (ESV)

If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, **how much more** will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!

**Here is how we are qualified to ask for the presence and power of the Holy Spirit!**

2Cor.5:21

God made him who had no sin to be sin, so that we might be the righteousness of God.

**Prophetic Team**

***Hear from the Holy Spirit to change the current situation or impact the future.***