

THE PATTERN OF PENTACOST

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INTRODUCTION

The word means “fifty” and was 7 weeks after Passover. It was called Feast of Weeks and was a Harvest Festival because during this week the gathering in their grain harvest, typifying the harvest of people born again in the Church age.

NUMBER 1. Last Days Outpouring promised

A. Jesus

JOHN 14:15-18 “If you love Me, keep My commandments. **16** And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever— **17** the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. **18** I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you.

ACTS 2:1-4 When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. **2** And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. **3** Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. **4** And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

ACTS 2:33 Therefore being exalted [a]to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear.

NUMBER 2. Last Days begin.

- A. Period between 1st and 2nd Coming of Christ
- B. Cessationism doctrine is false.
- C. Last Days characteristics.

HEBREWS 1:1-3 God, who at various times and in various ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the prophets, **2** has in these last days spoken to us by *His* Son, whom He has appointed heir of all things, through whom also He made the worlds; **3** who being the brightness of *His* glory and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by Himself purged our sins, sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,

2 TIMOTHY 3:1-2 But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: **2** For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

JAMES 5:1-3 Come now, *you* rich, weep and howl for your miseries that are coming upon *you!* **2** Your riches [a]are corrupted, and your garments are moth-eaten. **3** Your gold and silver are corroded, and their corrosion will be a witness against you and will eat your flesh like fire. You have heaped up treasure in the last days.

PROVERBS 13:22 A good *man* leaves an inheritance to his children's children, But the wealth of the sinner is stored up for the righteous.

NUMBER 3. Pentecost is the Pattern for New Testament Ministry.

A. Spirit received - (everyone was a "pentecostal")

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B. Speaking supernatural languages.

1 CORINTHIANS 14:2-5 For he who speaks in a tongue does not speak to men but to God, for no one understands *him*; however, in the spirit he speaks mysteries. **3** But he who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men. **4** He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself, but he who prophesies edifies the church. **5** I wish you all spoke with tongues, but even more that you prophesied; for he who prophesies *is* greater than he who speaks with tongues, unless indeed he interprets, that the church may receive edification.

C. Seeing supernatural visions and dreams

D. Showing Signs and Wonders

HEBREWS 2:4 God also bearing witness both with signs and wonders, with various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will?

E. Salvation to masses

ROMANS 10:18 But I say, have they not heard? Yes indeed: "Their sound has gone out to all the earth, And their words to the ends of the world."

COLOSSIANS 1:4-6 since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of your love for all the saints; **5** because of the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, of which you heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel, **6** which has come to you, as *it has* also in all the world, and is bringing forth fruit, as *it is* also among you since the day you heard and knew the grace of God in truth;

F. Stedfastness of the saints

ACTS 2:42 And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' [a]doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers.

NUMBER 4. Pentecost is the Pattern for the Church.

ACTS 19:1-6 And it happened, while Apollos was at Corinth, that Paul, having passed through the upper regions, came to Ephesus. And finding some disciples **2** he said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" So they said to him, "We have not so much as heard whether there is a Holy Spirit." **3** And he said to them, "Into what then were you baptized?" So they said, "Into John's baptism." **4** Then Paul said, "John indeed baptized with a baptism of repentance, saying to the people that they should believe on Him who would come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus." **5** When they heard *this*, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. **6** And when Paul had laid hands on them, the Holy Spirit came upon them, and they spoke with tongues and prophesied.