



PENTECOST SUNDAY

Pentecost...

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The English word "Pentecost" comes from the
Greek word pentekostos, which means "fifty."

In the OT Pentecost was one of the Jewish feast days.
Only, they didn't call it Pentecost. That's the Greek name.
The Jews called it the Feast of Harvest or the Feast of Weeks.

Pentecost (Feast of Harvest) comes "50" days (7 weeks)
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after Passover (Easter). (Leviticus 23:1-16)

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That Day...

Acts 2: 14-16

(NLT)

Then Peter stepped forward with the eleven other apostles and shouted to the crowd, "Listen carefully, all of you, fellow Jews and residents of Jerusalem! Make no mistake about this. ¹⁵ These people are not drunk, as some of you are assuming. Nine o'clock in the morning is much too early for that.

¹⁶ No, what you see was predicted long ago by the prophet Joel:

[from Joel 2:28-32]



Pentecost... That Day...

Acts 2: 17-21

(NLT)

'In the last days,' God says,

'I will pour out my Spirit upon all people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy.

Your young men will see visions, and your old men will dream dreams.

- ¹⁸ In those days I will pour out my Spirit even on my servantsmen and women alike-and they will prophesy.
 - ¹⁹ And I will cause wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below-blood and fire and clouds of smoke.
 - ²⁰ The sun will become dark, and the moon will turn blood red before that great and glorious day of the LORD arrives.
- ²¹ But everyone who calls on the name of the LORD will be saved.'



Pentecost... That Day...

Acts 2: 37-41

(NLT)

Peter's words pierced their hearts, and they said to him and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?"

³⁸ Peter replied, "Each of you must repent of your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. *Then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.*

³⁹ This promise is to you, to your children, and to those far away—all who have been called by the Lord our God." ⁴⁰ Then Peter continued preaching for a long time, strongly urging all his listeners,

"Save yourselves from this crooked generation!"

⁴¹ Those who believed what Peter said were baptized and added to the church that day—about 3,000 in all. (Feast of Harvest)



Pentecost... The Good News ...

"The good news about Jesus Christ is to go out to the Gentiles as well as the Jews. Up to this point it had been confined to the Jewish nation.

Now Peter announces that the time has come when God would pour out his Spirit upon Jews and Gentiles alike.

Not only all people everywhere, but all kinds of people — young men, young women, male and female. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions. Note the emphasis upon youth. God is saying that in this age of the Spirit, leadership, effectiveness, and power will not be limited to grey hairs, but also young men and young women shall speak and lead.

Even servants, menservants and maidservants, obscure people, insignificant people, upon them God would pour out his Spirit; and they would prophesy.

All classes, all people would be affected by this."

-Ray Stedman, pastor and biblical expositor



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