

I. God’s Sovereign Invasion (1-3)

**Other sovereign invasions: Jacob at Bethel, Moses at the bush, Paul on rd to Damascus, Isaiah in the temple, Jeremiah at his calling, Joshua before Jericho**

A. The timing of the invasion (1a) - “When the day of Pentecost arrived...”

B. The target of the invasion (1b) - “...they were all together in one place.” **Unified believers make a great target for Holy Spirit invasion**

C. The thunder of the invasion (2) - “And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.”

D. The torch of the invasion (3) - “And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them.”

**Interesting note: the manifestation of the Holy Spirit was audible (sound of wind), visible (tongues of fire), and verbal (speaking in tongues)**

II. The Disciples’ Spiritual Manifestation (4)

A. Jewish Christians baptized in the Holy Spirit (Acts 2:2-4)

Described: involved moving wind, roaring sound, visible flame, verbal tongues

B. Samaritans baptized in the Holy Spirit (Acts 8:14-17)

Described: occurred subsequent to salvation and water baptism; came after the Apostles prayed for them to receive the baptism of the Holy Spirit; occurred via the laying on of the Apostle’s hands

Note: no wind, no roar, no flames, no verbal tongues were specifically mentioned

C. Gentiles baptized in the Holy Spirit (Acts 10:44-48)

Described: Holy Spirit is sovereignly falls on them during Peter’s sermon; spontaneously resulted in tongues and praise of the God of the Jews; occurred prior to their water baptism

Note: no wind, nor roar, no flames, no prayer to receive the baptism, no laying on of anyone’s hands

D. Disciples of John the Baptizer baptized in the Holy Spirit (Acts 19:1-7)

Described: a group with elementary understanding of the Gospel of Jesus; had never heard of Holy Spirit; baptized in water prior to spiritual baptism; Holy Spirit came after Paul lays his hands on them; they spoke in tongues and also prophesied.

Note: no wind, no roar, no flames; only time where prophesying is mentioned with the baptism of the Holy Spirit

III. The Crowd’s Initial Confusion (5-13)

A. They were stunned (5-11) - The diverse crowd heard their own languages glorifying God in the tongues

B. They were unable to explain the phenomenon (12) - “And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?”

C. They defaulted to negative assumptions (13) - “But others mocking said, They are filled with new wine.”