

After Easter: A Journey to Pentecost

Pentecost: The Spirit Poured Out

Before we talk about WHAT happened, we need to clear about WHO it happened to.

"Then they cast lots, and the lot fell to Matthias; so he was added to the eleven apostles. When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place."

Acts 1:26, 2:1

That means that the Spirit fell on the apostles only.

1) The Promise is _____

*"Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting." **Acts 2:2***

"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Acts 1:8

When the Spirit descended on Pentecost, it was a powerful confirmation that Jesus' words were true and reliable.

Our role is to remain faithful, to trust, and to be prepared for when that moment comes.

2) The Spirit Empowers Bold _____

*"All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them." **Acts 2:4***

Luke tells us that there were "God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven" (**Acts 2:5**) gathered in Jerusalem.

As the disciples began to speak, the crowd was bewildered because "each one heard their own language being spoken." **Acts 2:6**

Some were amazed and asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language?" **Acts 2:7-8**

Instead, He demonstrated that His message was for everyone.

This miraculous event was a direct reversal of the confusion of languages at Babel (Genesis 11:1-9).

He was signaling a new reality.

The Church is Born for the Nations

"We hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" **Acts 2:11**

It's the birth of a global Church.

"And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions." **Joel 2:28**

"After this I looked, and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people and language, standing before the throne and before the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: "Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb."

Revelation 7:9-10

The same Spirit that brought unity at Pentecost is still working to bring people from every tribe, tongue, and nation into God's family.

What does it mean for us today?

- Live Empowered
- Boldly Proclaim
- Embrace the Global Mission