

## WHEN TWO BECOME ONE

Acts 1:4-5 ASV- On one occasion, while He was eating with them, He gave them this command: “Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. for John baptized with water but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

—>do not leave, WAIT here! crush their natural longing to get back to Galilee, and to stay in their dangerous position.

- so they waited in a dangerous, painful place ...
- we have trouble waiting in comfort...much less danger

HOW LONG? He doesn't say... just don't leave Jerusalem, wait here!

—>**WHY HERE? He needed them to wait there bc that's where He wanted the miracle. It is here that the God of heaven, chooses to birth His church ... right in the middle of Jerusalem - in the very place He was rejected, beaten, betrayed and crucified!!**

If I was God?? I would have gotten as far away from THAT place ...

—> *What place has God asked you to wait in?*

**Good news today - what you have labeled as a place of bitterness and death, is about to become a place of BIRTH!!!!**

—>**I prophecy - God is about to DO A NEW THING!!!**

**Isaiah 43:19 - Behold I will do a new thing: now it shall sprint forth; shall you not know it? I will even make a way in the wilderness, & rivers in the desert.**

SO THEY WAIT... 120 ppl / 10 day prayer mtg - w/ expectancy

How you wait is important **REVIVAL of INTERCESSION**

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Acts 2:1-4 - On the day of Pentecost all the believers were all in ONE place and ONE accord when SUDDENLY there was a SOUND from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting. Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other tongues as the Holy Spirit gave them the ability.

Feast of 1st fruits/ 50 days after Passover -Of all the feasts of the Jewish year, it was that which attracted the largest number of pilgrims from distant lands.

**One place** - something special about this place - Body ASSEMBLED

Mt. 16:18-19 - Upon this rock I will build my church and the gates of Hell will not prevail against it / v 19 I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.”

- There are things that will only happen when the Body assembles - **Hebrews 10:25 - do not forsake the assembling of ourselves together...**
- 2 testimonies - 2 miracles bc they ran to the place

**One accord** - unity -Greek - united in their views, intentions, & affections, and that there was no discord or strife among them,

- Division grieves the Holy Spirit and stops God/ don't even leave offering  
—>Division is satans number 1 tactic bc he knows...
- Eph 2 - When we are fitted together,God doesn't just visit, He dwells

**And SUDDENLY** happened (the fulfillment of the promise)

**->HOW DOES THE ENEMY KEEP U FROM UR SUDDENLY? - KEEP YOU OUT OF THE PLACE OR GET YOU DIVIDED IN THE PLACE**

- 1) a **SOUND** - like ROARing wind that filled the house / not wind but sound  
- sounds announce what's coming - if I want to see your future, all I have to do is listen to your sound  
—>sound of wind, not the feeling of wind - "I don't feel it"

- 2) a **FIRE** -what looked like flames/tongues of fire settled on them

**Mt 3:11** "I baptize you with water for repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and **fire**."

**Luke 12:49** - I have come to set the world on fire, wish it were already burning

**Hebrews 12:29** - For our 'God is a consuming fire'"

**The church was birthed with FIRE! Lukewarm makes God sick**

No secret fires-Demands action - draws attention - Can not be hidden - consumes, purifies, contagious, —>Hows your fire?

- 3) a **FILL** - everyone PRESENT was filled with the Holy Spirit - spoke in other tongues as the Spirit gave them the ability

The Holy Spirit is not a feeling or a move...He is a person - God IN YOU

Jesus describes the Holy Spirit in John:

**John 14:17**- YOU know Him, bc He lives w/ u now & later will be IN YOU

**John 16:7** - But I tell you the truth, it is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper (Comforter, Advocate, Intercessor—Counselor, Strengthener, Standby) will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him (the Holy Spirit) to you [to be in close fellowship with you].

-->- Filled -means there's **no room** for anything or anyone else!  
( its not like Rush at dinner - im full, but i have room for cake )

We want the H.S. Like this... **COAT EXAMPLE** -->on me, not in me ...

- **We want to consume, yet never be consumed.**

- God/ the Holy Spirit comes to Fill - When 2 become 1- jealous God!

Romans 8:11 - The Spirit of God, who raised Jesus from the dead, lives in you.

Col 1:27 - And this is the secret: **CHRIST LIVES IN YOU!**

—>**ALL the power, might, glory, hope, joy, strength of God LIVES IN U!**

-all you need is in HIM who is in YOU - activate HIM

4) **A SPILL** - Acts 1:8 - But 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.

- **power - dunamis - ability or power/ability to DO!** Gave the disciples the ability to go out a witness to same group that had crucified Jesus.

Acts 2:41 - Peter preaches 3,000 were saved

- **Goal of Pentecost —>2 become 1 - God fills me so He can spill me**

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**ALTAR** —>

1) need to surrender and let HIM FILL YOU

2) have lost your FIRE - fan the flame today

2 Tim 1:6 - For this reason I remind you to **fan into flame the gifts of God**, which is in you through the laying on of my hands,

- is your flame out bc you haven't used the gifts He's given you?

- i have the power to quench the spirit or fan the flame