



Crosspoint Church

AfterWords

Weekly Study: The FIREWORKS — One Spark Changes Everything Part II



Overview

The Day of Pentecost reveals the moment when the Holy Spirit filled the early believers with power, boldness, and a supernatural fire that changed everything. It stirred movement, drew people toward God, transformed lives, and launched the Church into its mission. The fire of the Holy Spirit is still essential today and is the living presence of God working through surrendered hearts.



Scripture

Acts 2:1–4 | Matthew 3:11 | Jeremiah 20:9 | Malachi 3:2–3 | Luke 24:32 | Matthew 5:14 | Luke 24:49



Key Points

The Fire Creates Movement

- **The Holy Spirit moves believers from inactivity to purpose.** In Acts 2, the fire of the Spirit pushed the believers out of the Upper Room and into the streets where thousands heard the gospel. The fire of God energizes faith, breaks stagnation, and propels us toward God's calling.
- **The Fire melts what keeps us stuck.** Fear, discouragement, bitterness, and disappointment can freeze spiritual growth. Jeremiah described God's word as a fire in his bones that he could not hold back. The fire of the Spirit breaks spiritual paralysis and restores momentum.

The Fire Attracts

- **People notice when God is present.** At Pentecost, the sound and fire drew a crowd. Genuine encounters with God capture attention and draw people toward Him.
- **The presence of God is the Church's greatest attraction.** Programs and excellence have value, but they cannot replace the fire. When God is lifted up, people are drawn to Him. The Holy Spirit always points hearts toward Jesus.

The Fire Changes Everything It Touches

- **The fire transforms hearts and lives.** Fire purifies, shapes, and removes what does not belong. Isaiah's encounter with the coal changed his speech and calling. Saul's encounter with Jesus changed his identity and mission.

- **The fire refines believers.** Malachi 3:2–3 describes God as a refiner who removes impurities. The fire burns away pride, compromise, unforgiveness, and hidden sin. God uses fire to develop His people and make them whole.

The Fire Works

- **The fire brings light, warmth, and power.** Fire pushes back darkness, warms cold hearts, and empowers believers. Jesus said His followers are the light of the world. The disciples on the road to Emmaus said their hearts burned within them as Jesus spoke.
- **The fire makes ministry effective.** Jesus told His followers to wait for power from on high. Without fire, preaching becomes a lecture and worship becomes routine. With fire, prayer works, faith works, evangelism works, and lives are changed.



Reflection



Where do you need God's fire to move you forward?



What part of your life needs God's refining work?



How is the Holy Spirit empowering you today?



Prayer

Lord, thank You for the fire of the Holy Spirit. Ignite my heart again with Your presence. Move me where You want me to go, refine what needs to be changed, and empower me to live boldly for You. Let Your fire shine through me so others can see Your goodness. Amen.

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