

The Day the Holy Spirit came.

Jesus Promised the Holy Spirit to His disciples

“And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever-- the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.” John 14:16-18

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When the Holy Spirit came

Acts 2:1-18

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.

⁵ Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶ When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard them speaking in his own language. ⁷ Utterly amazed, they asked: "Are not all these men who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸ Then how is it that each of us hears them in his own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome ¹¹ (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs--we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" ¹² Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?"

¹³ Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine. "

¹⁴ Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. ¹⁵ These men are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! ¹⁶ No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

¹⁷ " `In the last days, God says,

I will pour out my Spirit on all people.

Your sons and daughters will prophesy,

your young men will see visions,

your old men will dream dreams.

¹⁸ Even on my servants, both men and women,

I will pour out my Spirit in those days,

and they will prophesy.

The Immediate Actions of the Holy Spirit

**The disciples praising God in 17 different languages
Peter is filled with power and boldness and preaches a
powerful Gospel message.**

Acts 2:22, "Men of Israel, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. ²³ This man was handed over to you by God's set purpose and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross. ²⁴ But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him... ^{AC 2:36} "Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ."

**The people who heard the message were convicted of their sin
by the Holy Spirit and asked what they must do to be saved.**

"When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"

**The Holy Spirit through Peter answers the question what men
must do to be saved.**

ACTS 2:38 Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off--for all whom the Lord our God will call."

**The Holy Spirit works in the hearts of 3000 men as they repent
and are baptized and added to the church.**

ACTS 2:40 "With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." ⁴¹ Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day."

**People are changed by the presence of the Holy Spirit and the
Church of Jesus Christ begins to function.**

ACTS 2:42 “They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³ Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵ Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need. ⁴⁶ Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.”

All are filled with the Holy Spirit and become bold to share the Gospel.

ACTS 4:31 After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly.

The Holy Spirit gives much power, much grace, much love and much sharing of the needs.

ACTS 4:32 “All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of his possessions was his own, but they shared everything they had. ³³ With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and much grace was upon them all. ³⁴ There were no needy persons among them. For from time to time those who owned lands or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales ³⁵ and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone as he had need.”

MUCH POWER

This is not an abstract power which God has reserved in heaven and that can be obtained by much fasting and much prayer.

Remember the words of Jesus when He promised the Holy Spirit to His disciples, *“And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever-- the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.”* John 14:16-18.

This Power is the life of Jesus Christ living and functioning in the believers.

John 20:21, *“Again Jesus said, “Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you.”²² And with that he breathed on them and said, “Receive the Holy Spirit.”*

An important question to consider is How did God sent His Son?

MUCH GRACE

Acts 2:33, *“With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and much grace was upon them all.”*

God’s mercy and favor toward us do not deserve it.

Forgiven by God and forgive others.

Quality of being pleasing to others.

Christ is full of grace and mercy

MUCH LOVE

Love is the opposite of hate. Much giving.

Christ is love – not Christ has love.

*LK 19:41 As he approached Jerusalem and saw the city, he **wept** over it*
John 11:34 “Where have you laid him?” he asked.

“Come and see, Lord,” they replied.

*Jesus **wept**.⁶ Then the Jews said, “See how he loved him!”*

Love is caring, paying attention to the needs of others

Instead of being selfish.

MUCH SHARING

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Share our attention, time and possessions with others

Share the Gospel of the Lord Jesus Christ