

## The Power of Pentecost!

The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be brought low; and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways shall be made smooth; And all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

### The voice of John the Baptist

#### Matthew 3:11

11 I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance: but he that cometh after me **is mightier than I**, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with **fire**:

### What is this fire? This Pentecostal fire?

#### Acts 2:1-8

1 And when the day of **Pentecost** was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

3 And there appeared unto them **cloven tongues like as of fire**, and it sat upon each of them.

4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

### Pentecostal Power!!

5 And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.

6 Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, **and were confounded**, because that every man heard them speak in his own language.

7 And they were all amazed and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilaeans?

8 And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born?

### **Acts 2:13-18**

13 Others mocking said, These men are full of new wine.

14 **But Peter, standing up with the eleven**, lifted up his voice, and said unto them, Ye men of Judaea, and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and **hearken to my words:**

15 For **these are not drunken**, as ye suppose, seeing it is but the third hour of the day.

16 But **this is that** which was spoken by the prophet Joel:

17 And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, **I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh:** and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:

18 And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy:

I'm talking about .....**The Power of Pentecost!**

### **Acts 2:3**

3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues **like as of fire**, and it sat upon each of them.

**I say this fire is a purifying fire!!** A Godly fire that **purges out our ungodliness** and it **sanctifies us!**

**This is Pentecostal Fire! - Godly Fire!!**

**Let Me Speak To You About The Mystery of the Human Tongue**

### **James 3:6-10**

6 And the **tongue is a fire**, a world of iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that it defileth the whole body, and setteth on fire the course of nature; and it is set on **fire of hell**.

Devilish Fire - Sensual Fire

7 For every kind of beasts, and of birds, and of serpents, and of things in the sea, is tamed, and hath been tamed of mankind:

8 But **the tongue can no man tame**; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.

9 Therewith bless we God, even the Father; and therewith curse we men, which are made after the similitude of God.

10 Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be.

With our tongue we praise God and curse our brother who is made in the image of God. But when the Holy Ghost comes in, God's Spirit unites with our Spirit and cries out Abba Father in recognition that you have become a child of God. **God only can tame your tongue!** When you receive the Holy Ghost God does sanctify and tame your tongue.

**Receiving the gift of the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues is the Power of Pentecost!**

**Church the Power of Pentecost is not a one time experience!**

### **Acts 1:5-8**

5 For John truly baptized with water; **but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.**

6 When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel?

7 And he said unto them, **It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power.**

8 **But ye shall receive power,** after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and **ye shall be witnesses** unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.

**Power to Witness; Pentecostal Power!!!**

**Isaiah 43:10-11**

10 Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me.

11 I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour.

**Power** over death, hell, and the grave! **Power** over sin! **Power** over our trials, tribulations, sorrows, and persecutions.

**With Pentecostal Power-comes persecution!**

The **early church** after the day of Pentecost was **persecuted** for preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

**Jesus Christ is the Power of Pentecost!**

(Peter and John taught and preached Jesus to the people in the Temple after healing the impotent man at the gate Beautiful. )

**Acts 4:1-10**

1 And as Peter and John spake unto the people, the priests, and the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees, came upon them,

2 Being grieved that they taught the people, and **preached through Jesus** the resurrection from the dead.

3 And they laid hands on them, and put them in hold unto the next day: for it was now eventide.

4 Howbeit many of them which heard the word believed; and the number of the men was about **five thousand. (What a revival in a single day!)**

5 And it came to pass on the morrow, that their rulers, and elders, and scribes,

6 And Annas the high priest, and Caiaphas, and John, and Alexander, and as many as were of the kindred of the high priest, were gathered together at Jerusalem.

7 And when they had set them in the midst, they asked, **By what power,** or by **what name,** have ye done this? **(By the power of Pentecost!)**

8 Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said unto them, Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel,

9 If we this day be examined of the good deed done to the impotent man, by what means he is made whole;

10 **Be it known unto you all,** and to all the people of Israel, **that by the name of Jesus Christ** of Nazareth, whom ye crucified, whom God raised from the dead, **even by him** doth this man stand here before you whole.

### **The Name of Jesus Christ Invokes the Power of Pentecost!**

#### **Acts 4:15-21**

15 But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council, they conferred among themselves,

16 Saying, What shall we do to these men? for that indeed a notable miracle hath been done by them is manifest to all them that dwell in Jerusalem; and we cannot deny it.

17 But that it spread no further among the people, let us **straitly threaten them,** that they **speak henceforth to no man in this name.**

18 And they called them, and commanded them not **to speak at all nor teach in the name of Jesus.**

19 But Peter and John answered and said unto them, Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye.

20 **For we cannot but speak** the things which we have seen and heard.

21 So when they had further threatened them, they let them go, finding nothing how they might punish them, **because of the people:** for all men glorified God for that which was done.

### **Acts 4:29-31**

29 And now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy word,

30 By stretching forth thine hand to heal; and that signs and wonders may be done by the name of thy holy child Jesus.

31 And when they had prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together; and **they were all filled with the Holy Ghost**, and they **spake the word of God with boldness.**

### **Pentecostal Boldness!**

### **The Holy Ghost is the Power of Pentecost! (The nine gifts of the Holy Ghost is Pentecostal Power!)**

These scriptures prove that the Baptism of the Holy Ghost is not a one time experience, but continuously moves on His people. **That is they were all refilled** with the Holy Ghost, **they already had the Holy Ghost** yet they received a refilling when they prayed and asked God for boldness to preach His word.

### **Again I say Church Pentecostal Power is not a one time experience!**

Church, saints hear me! **The Holy Ghost is not a one time experience, we can be refilled over and over again!** As a matter of fact- **we must be refilled over and over again,** lest we grow feeble and weak, spiritually sick. The **joy of the Lord is our strength**, and that joy is the Baptism of the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gives utterance.

Speaking in other tongues is a miracle, it is **Pentecostal Fire!**

**Speaking in tongues is not a one time experience!**

Do not let Satan lie to you and tell you, that you cannot speak in tongues anymore. Every time that you allow the Holy Ghost to move upon you, move in you; the gift of speaking in tongues will well up within you as **a well of living water**. It will bubble over, it will overflow you. **For out of your belly shall flow rivers of living water.**

**Stir up the gift within you!** The gift of the Holy Ghost!

Stir it up! Get beside yourselves!

Crucify your flesh!

Bring your flesh into subjection to the Holy Ghost in you!

Let God have reign in your life!

Submit yourselves unto God!

Give God a spiritual sacrifice of praise! **Hallelujah! Hallelujah!**

Begin to worship God!

**Pentecostal Power - You shall receive Power after that the Holy Ghost has come upon you!**

Raise your hands and worship the Lord! Cry out to God like you did when you first repented and earnestly sought God. **You can have a Pentecostal experience right now!** This very moment! Draw nigh unto God, lift Him up and God will draw nigh unto you. Jesus is the same yesterday, today, and forever!! He changes not!!

Worship God, love God, praise God, lift up Holy hands unto God!!

**The Holy Ghost is a continual blessing of eternal life!** Renewed in your heart daily!! Day after day, after day, forever and ever!

**Pentecostal Power is the saving power of Jesus Christ.**