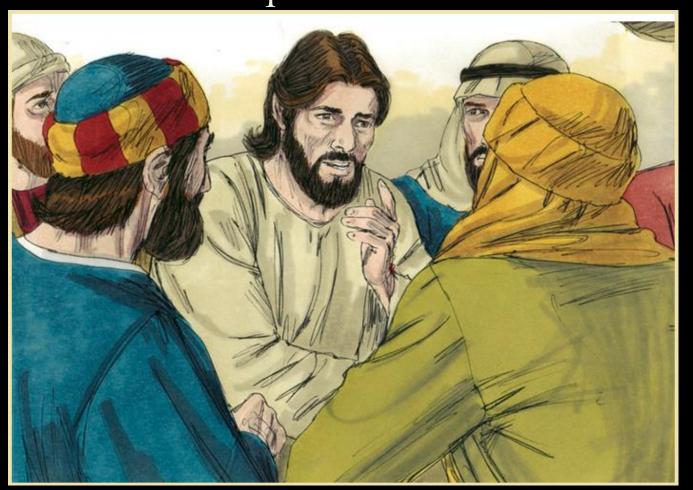
# Holy Spirit

Jesus had told his Disciples to not immediately go out and begin working on making other Disciples, but to wait in Jerusalem for the Holy Spirit that he had promised that he would send.



"And now I will send the Holy Spirit, just as my Father promised. But stay here in the city until the Holy Spirit comes and fills you with power from heaven." (Luke 24:49)

He commanded them, "Do not leave Jerusalem until the Father sends you the gift he promised, as I told you before. John baptized with water, but in just a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." (Acts 1:4-5)

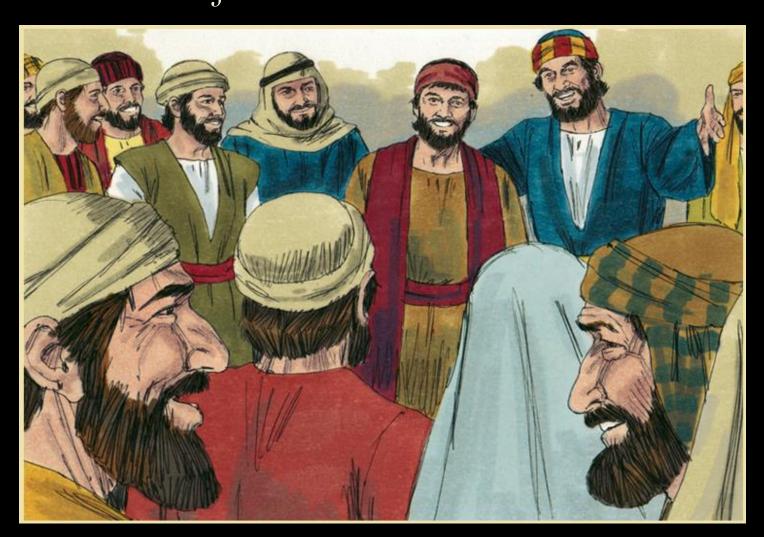
#### John the Baptist had foretold this day:

"I baptize you with water; but someone is coming soon who is greater than I amso much greater that I'm not even worthy to be his slave and untie the straps of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. (Luke 3:16)

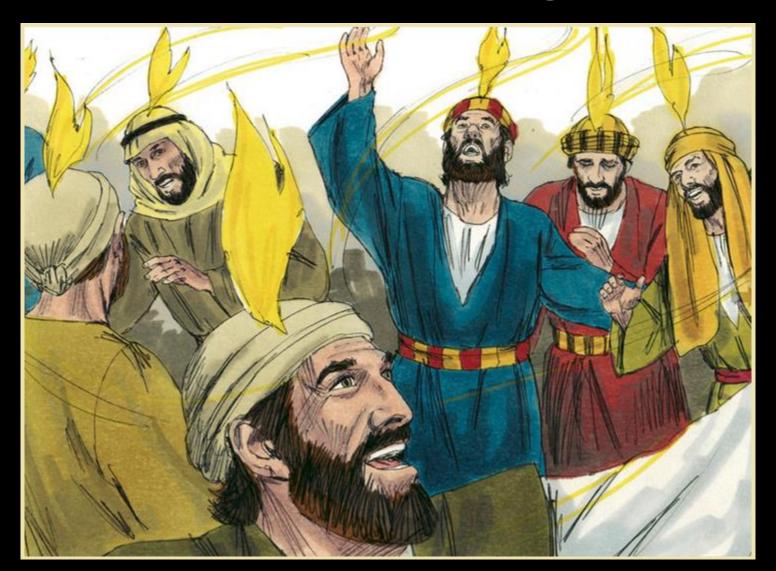
### This Holy Spirit is the 3rd person in the 3 in 1 God that has existed from the beginning.

All the believers and disciples gathered together in a house.

All of the believers were baptized by the Holy Spirit,
just as Jesus had said.

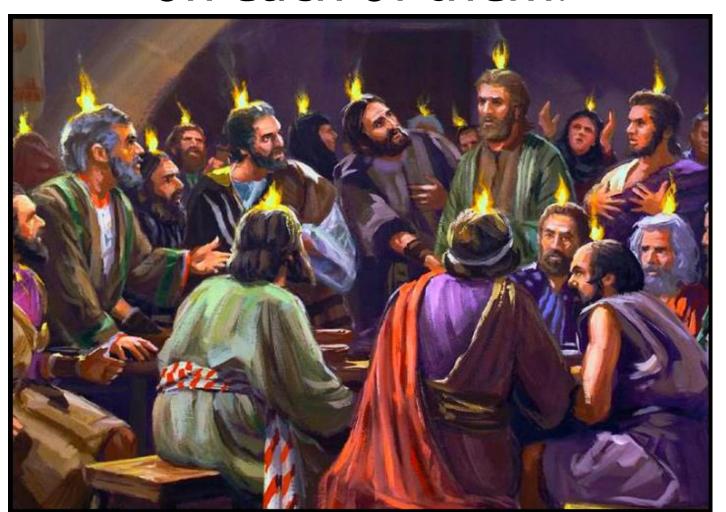


All the believers received the Holy Spirit, which looked like pillars of fire coming down on them.



On the day of Pentecost all the believers were meeting together in one place. Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting.

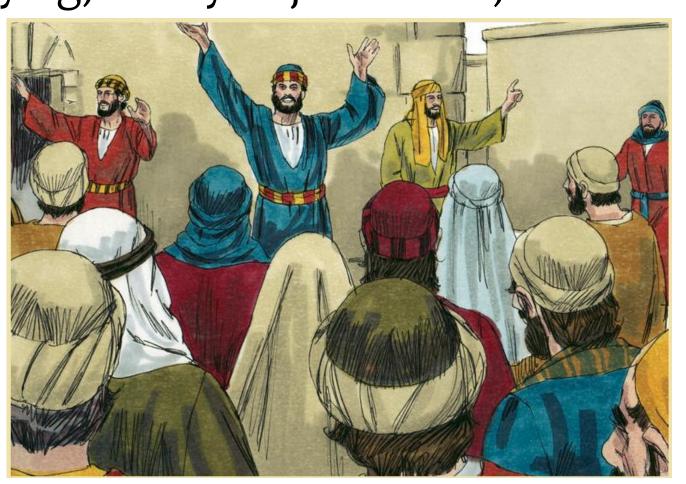
Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them.



And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability. At that time there were devout Jews from every nation living in Jerusalem. When they heard the loud noise, everyone came running, and they were bewildered to hear their own languages being spoken by the believers.

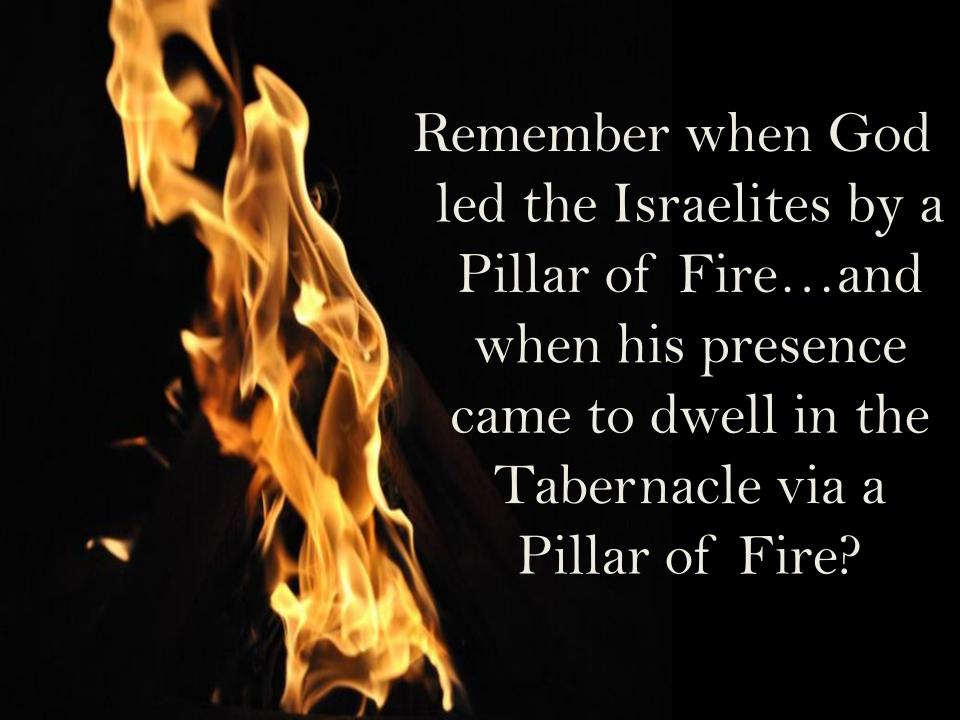
They were completely amazed. "How can this be?" they exclaimed. "These people are all from Galilee, and yet we hear them speaking in our own native languages! Here we are—Parthians, Medes, Elamites, people from Mesopotamia, Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus, the province of Asia, Phrygia, Pamphylia, Egypt, and the areas of Libya around Cyrene, visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism), Cretans, and Arabs. And we all hear these people speaking in our own languages about the wonderful things God has done!"

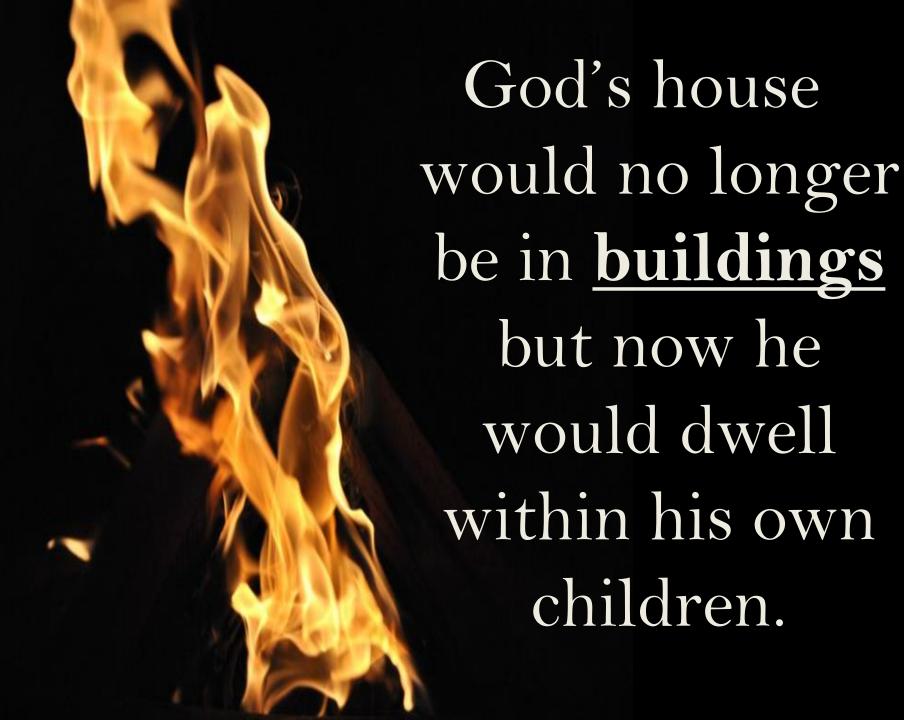
They stood there amazed and perplexed. "What can this mean?" they asked each other. But others in the crowd ridiculed them, saying, "They're just drunk, that's all!"



#### The prophet Joel prophesied of this:

I will pour out my Spirit upon all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy. Your old men will dream dreams, and your young men will see visions. In those days I will pour out my Spirit even on servants men and women alike. (Joel 2: 18-29)







This meant that God sent his own Spirit down from heaven to rest upon all believers. The Holy Spirit came to **permanently** live in all believers.

### Eph 1 says that:

"The Spirit is God's guarantee that he will give us the inheritance he promised and that he has purchased us to be his own people."

### This means that our salvation is secure because of the Holy Spirit **AND** that we now belong to God.

### We no longer exist to please ourselves... but instead to please and serve him.

Each believer was now **JOINED** to God and Jesus and each believer was **JOINED** to one another through Jesus and the Holy Spirit.

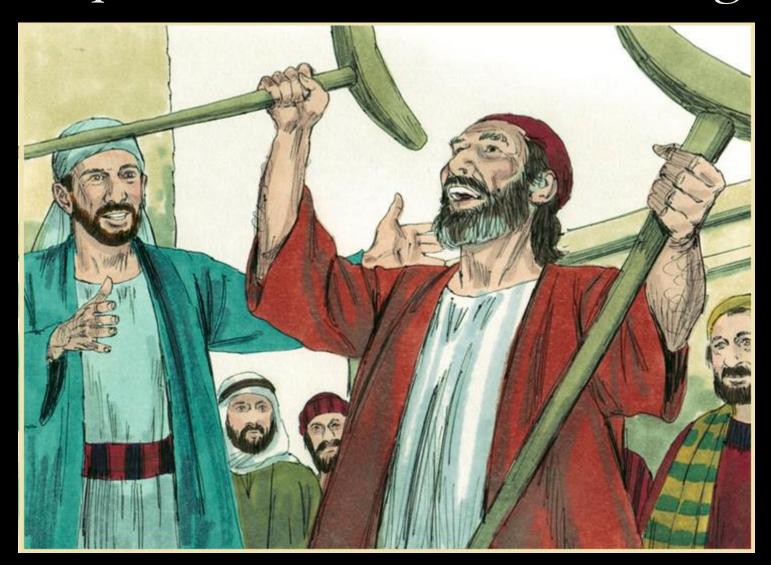


Since that time; whenever & wherever a person puts their faith in what Christ said & did, the Holy Spirit comes and lives





## The Holy Spirit enables the Disciples to do miraculous things.



The outpouring of the Spirit at Pentecost does not appear to be the initial receiving of the Spirit because of conversion (because those present were already believers and had been for quite some time)...

but rather empowerment (filling) for ministry.

After Jesus' miracle at Cana John 2:11 says that 'his disciples believed in him'. And even later in John 6:68 Peter proclaims belief; 'We have believed and have come to know that You are the Holy One of God.'

#### The implication is twofold:

(1) the experience of the outpouring of the Spirit at Pentecost should not be interpreted as normative for all believers.

#### The implication is twofold:

(2) the experience of the outpouring of the Spirit at Pentecost emphasizes the need for Spirit filled, Spirit led, Spirited enabled ministers for effective ministry.

The Disciples were given the ability to speak in foreign languages, languages that the Disciples themselves had never spoken before. They were the languages of the foreign Jews who were present in Jerusalem to celebrate the Feast of Pentecost.



And everyone heard what the Disciples were saying in their own languages.

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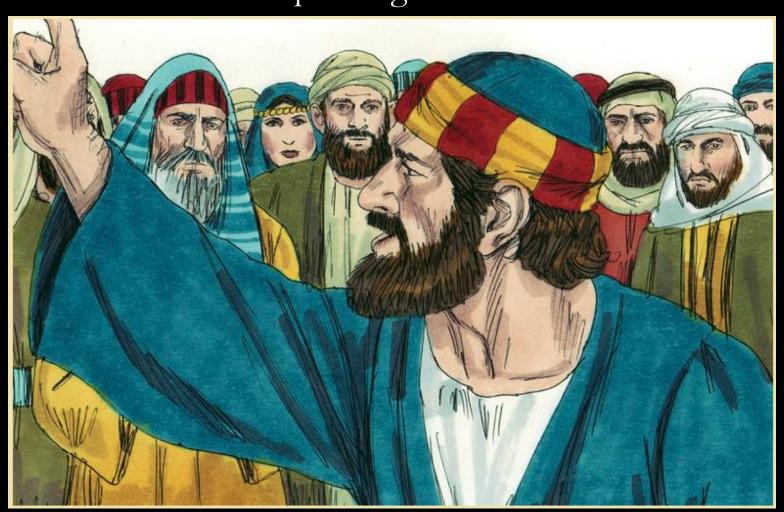
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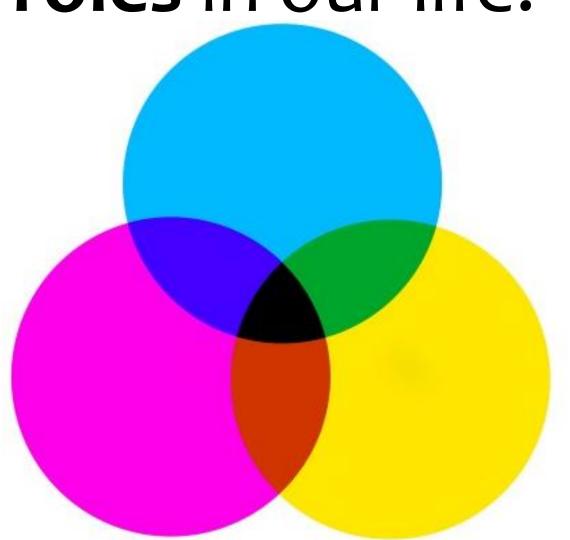


These Jews had been scattered throughout the region and in other nations by the over taking of Israel by the Babylonians, Greeks and Romans. These Jews spoke the languages of their host countries, but for special occasions, feasts and festivals these Jews would return to Jerusalem to celebrate.

God gave them this ability through the Holy Spirit to speak these languages to be a sign to these Jews that God had indeed come through Christ...and that Salvation had come through Christ...and that these Disciples were indeed speaking for God.



# The Holy Spirit has certain roles in our life:



### He will TEACH you and REMIND you of the words of Jesus.

But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. (John 14:26)

# He will **TESTIFY**(convict us) of the truth about Christ!

When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father—he will testify about me. (John 15:26)

## He will **CONVICT** the world of sin and their error to follow God.

When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment.

(John 16:8)

# He will **LEAD** those who are the children of God.

For those who are **led by** the Spirit of God are the children of God. (Rom 8:14)

# He will **GUIDE** us into all the truth. He will tell us the truth from God.

But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.

(John 16:13)

### He will **ENCOURAGE** the believers!

Then the church throughout Judea, Galilee and Samaria enjoyed a time of peace and was strengthened. Living in the fear of the Lord and encouraged by the Holy Spirit, it increased in numbers. (Acts 9:31)

# He <u>HELPS</u> believers in their weaknesses and <u>PRAYS</u> for them.

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groans that words cannot express. (Rom 8:26)

He <u>TESTIFIES</u> to the truth about God and confirms to us that we are God's own children.

The Spirit himself testifies (bears witness) with our spirit that we are God's children. (Rom 8:16)

We can do certain things <u>in</u> response to the Holy Spirits role in our life:



## We can <u>RESIST</u> the Holy Spirit!

"You stiff-necked people, with uncircumcised hearts and ears! You are just like your fathers: You always **resist the Holy Spirit**!" (Acts 7:51)

## We can **QUENCH** the Holy Spirit!

Do not **quench** (put out the fire) the Spirit. (1 Thess 5:19)

### Quench:

To put out,
To extinguish; to put out the light or fire of (quench glowing coals with water)

#### We can lie to the Holy Spirit!

We can **ignore** the Holy Spirit!

We can **sin against** the Holy Spirit!

We can <u>anger</u> the Holy Spirit!

We can grieve the Holy Spirit!

### We can <u>FAN</u> THE <u>FLAME</u> of the Holy Spirit!

For this reason I remind you to **fan into flame** the gift of God, which is in you
through the laying on of my hands.

(2 Tim 1:6)

## We can <u>WALK IN</u> the Holy Spirit!

"So I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh." (Gal 5:16)

#### We can **obey** the Holy Spirit!

We can **follow** the Holy Spirit!

We can **trust** the Holy Spirit!

We can pray to the Holy Spirit!

We can submit to the Holy Spirit!

## We can **NEVER LOOSE** the Holy Spirit!

#### Eph 1:14 says that:

This Holy Spirit is the guarantee that we will receive our inheritance. We have this guarantee until we are set free to belong to him.