

The Holy Spirit Comes

Acts 2.1-13

May 11, 2025 | Cove Campus

1 When the day of Pentecost had arrived, they were all together in one place. **2** Suddenly a sound like that of a violent rushing wind came from heaven, and it filled the whole house where they were staying. **3** They saw tongues like flames of fire that separated and rested on each one of them. **4** Then they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues, as the Spirit enabled them.

5 Now there were Jews staying in Jerusalem, devout people from every nation under heaven. **6** When this sound occurred, a crowd came together and was confused because each one heard them speaking in his own language. **7** They were astounded and amazed, saying, "Look, aren't all these who are speaking Galileans?" **8** How is it that each of us can hear them in our own native language? **9** Parthians, Medes, Elamites; those who live in Mesopotamia, in Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, **10** Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts), **11** Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the magnificent acts of God in our own tongues." **12** They were all astounded and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" **13** But some sneered and said, "They're drunk on new wine."

Main Idea - The Spirit has come to save all people for all time

1. Intro - A little confusing - What to do next?
 1. Main Idea - The Spirit has come to save all people for all time
 1. The arrival of the promised Spirit
 2. The restoration of the Kingdom
 3. Our response to such an event
2. The Arrival of the Promised Spirit:
 1. Jesus said the Spirit would come
 2. The Spirit has returned after leaving the temple in Ezekiel to make its new temple! Ezekiel 10
 3. This is the fulfillment of the Valley of Dry bones - Ezekiel 37.9-10 - **9** He said to me, "Prophesy to the breath,[a] prophesy, son of man. Say to it: This is what the Lord God says: Breath, come from the four winds and breathe into these slain so that they may live!" **10** So I prophesied as he commanded me; the breath entered them, and they came to life and stood on their feet, a vast army.
 4. What we lost in Jesus we get back through the Spirit.
 5. John 14.12 - **12** "Truly I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do. And he will do even greater works than these, because I am going to the Father
2. The Restoration of the Kingdom
 1. People from all over the world have come.
 2. And I want to clear up a couple of Theological points about the Spirit:
 1. First is Modalism
 1. Matthew 3.16-17 - **16** When Jesus was baptized, he went up immediately from the water. The heavens suddenly opened for him,[e] and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming down on him. **17** And a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well-pleased."
 2. What about the Spirit?
 1. Speaking in tongues -
 2. What the Spirit does give us?
 1. Convicts us of sin - John 16.8

2. Makes us new - John 3.5, Titus 3.5
 3. Indwells us - Romans 8.9, 1st Corinthians 6.19
 4. Empowers us for work - Acts 1.8, 1 Corinthians 12.7-11
 5. Makes us better people (fruits of the spirit) - Galatians 5.22-23
 6. Prays for us - Romans 8.26-27
 7. Understanding of God's Word - 1 Corinthians 2.12-13
 8. Counsels us - John 14.16-17
 9. Sanctifies us (helps us grow) 2 Corinthians 3.18, Romans 8.13
 10. Reveals the Word of God - Ephesians 3.4-5, 1 Corinthians 2.9-10
 11. Strengthens our faith - Ephesians 3.16, Romans 15.13
 12. Inspires worship of God - Philippians 3.3, John 4.23-24
 13. Gives us wisdom and discernment - 1 John 4.1-3, 1 Corinthians 2.14
 14. Testifies about us - Romans 8.15-16, Galatians 4.6
 15. Gives us boldness - Acts 4.31 and Acts 9.17-20
 16. Unites all believers - 1 Corinthians 12.13, Ephesians 4.3-4
 17. HE GLORIFIES CHRIST - John 16.14 - **14 He will glorify me, because he will take from what is mine and declare it to you.**
3. And in this section we see many of these attributes play out.
 1. Why did Peter do this?
 2. The Spirit also wants to Glorify Christ..
 3. And unify the people
 1. Galatians 3 - **27 For those of you who were baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ. 28 There is no Jew or Greek, slave or free, male and female; since you are all one in Christ Jesus. 29 And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham's seed, heirs according to the promise.**
4. Our Response
 1. Imagine this event - The spectacle of it!
 1. The world thinks we are crazy for this thing we do.
 1. We are the new wine - Genesis 27.28 May God give to you —from the dew of the sky and from the richness of the land — an abundance of grain and new wine.
 4. This makes us witnesses
 1. **Matthew 5.16 - In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.**
 2. This is why the Spirit has come, not only to do good works in and through you, but through these incredible works the whole world might be saved.

Grow Group Discussion Questions

- When was a time you were given a task and had no idea where to start? How did you get started? What was the result?
- What did God say to you during our Sunday gathering?
- What hope do you find in knowing our God is a promise keeping God?
- What comfort do you find in knowing the Holy Spirit has made his home in you?

- What gift of the Spirit do you find most encouraging?
- How can Christians be so diverse (culture, language, ethnicity, wealth) but still find unity?
- What “foolish” things are you doing so that the gospel may go to all people?
- From you Grow Group time, what is an idea or two from your discussion that you can work to apply this week?