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Holy Spirit Pentecost

READ: Acts 1:1-5

Pentecost Is The Gathering Of The Harvest

READ: Acts 2:1-21
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• Pentecost Celebrates The Ingathering Of The Harvest

• The Feast Of Harvest -- Ex. 23:16

• The Feast Of Weeks -- Ex 34:22

• The Day Of Firstfruits -- Num 28:26
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• The Feast Of Pentecost Took Place After Passover

• It took place 50 days after Passover

• Pentecost Is Known As The Feast Of Weeks
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• Pentecost: An Appointed Feast -- A Certain Day – A Specific Event

• The Outpouring Of The Holy Spirit On The Early Church Was Pinpointed To Arrive On A Certain Day: Pentecost

• The Old Testament Points Forward To What Is Going To Be Fulfilled In The New Testament
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• Just After They Were Delivered From Bondage In Egypt, The Law & 10 Commandments Were Given To Israel

• The Feast Of Weeks Was A Time Of Great Joy And Rejoicing To Remember Their Reception of the Law

• It Was Also A Feast To Thank The Lord That The First Of The Year’s Harvest Has Come In
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• **Leviticus 23:15-16 (NIV)** (15) "'From the day after the Sabbath, the day you brought the sheaf of the wave offering, count off seven full weeks. (16) Count off fifty days up to the day after the seventh Sabbath, and then present an offering of new grain to the LORD.

• 7 × 7 Sabbaths Or 49 Days + The Day After Sabbath = 50 Days

• The Name Pentecost – Means 50

• From Christ’s Resurrection To Pentecost Was 50 Days
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• The Number 50 Has A Significance:

• In Scripture “50” Represents Liberty - Freedom - Deliverance

• As New Testament Believers The Day Of Pentecost Signifies Liberty & Freedom From The Old Covenant
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• The Day Of Pentecost Took Place Not On The Weekly Sabbath But On The 1st Day Of The New Week
• The Son Of God Rose On The Day After The Sabbath -- The 1st Day Of The Week
• The Holy Spirit Descended From Heaven On The Day After The Sabbath -- The 1st Day Of The New Week
• New Testament Believers Are Free to Keep The Lord's Day And Not The Sabbath
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- **Colossians 2:13-17 (NIV)** (13) When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your sinful nature, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, (14) having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross. (15) And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. (16) Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day. (17) These are a shadow of the things that were to come; the reality, however, is found in Christ.

- **Today Our True Sabbath Rest Is Found In Christ:**
- **In His Finished Work -- In Our Life In The Spirit**
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• The Church Was Conceived When Jesus Breathed On Them And Said Receive The Holy Spirit --

• Like A Baby Being Born -- There Was A Conception -- A Time of Waiting (Gestation) – As The New Testament Church Was Being Formed

• The Church Was Brought to Life On The Day Of Pentecost -- As Jesus Entered Into The Throne Room Of God -- Mediator Of The New Covenant
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- NEW: There Were Great Manifestations Of His Presence
- The Holy Spirit Descended With A Rushing Mighty Wind
- The Place Was Filled With His Presence
- There Were Tongues Of Fire That Sat On The Heads Of The Disciples
- They Spoke With Other Tongues As The Holy Spirit Gave Them Utterance
- This Was The Fulfillment Of What Moses Encountered And What The Feast Of Weeks Pointed To On That Day When He Received The Law
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• OLD: There Was Trembling And Fear And Quaking By Moses As Well As The Israelites

• Moses Met On The Mountain With A Holy God & Received The 1st Covenant

• All Of This Was Pointing To The Feast Of Pentecost Which Would Culminate In The Birth Of The Church
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• 1st Covenant = Giving Of The Law = Birthday Of Judaism
• 2nd Covenant = The Law Written On Beliver’s Hearts = The Birthday Of The New Covenant Church
• They Both Occurred On The 50th Day
• The Old Testament Covenant Was About Death -- By The Breaking Of The Law
• The New Testament Covenant Was About Life -- By The Enabling Of The Spirit
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• Feast Of Firstfruits – Looks Ahead To The Feast Of Tabernacles – The Ingathering
• Read: Deuteronomy 11:8-21
• There Can Be No Harvest Without Rain
• Rain = Revival And Refreshing = Pentecost
• The Purpose Of The Rain Is To Grow The Harvest
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• Pentecost Was Actually A Harvest Festival
• When The Holy Spirit Was Poured Out On The Early Church -- Great Numbers And Great Multitudes Came To The Lord
• Firstfruits = There Is More To Come
• “It's Only The 1st Of The Fruit”
• The Passover >> Pentecost >> The Feast Of Tabernacles
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**Holy Spirit: Wind, Fire, Oil**
- This Spirit Breathes On Us
- Enduing Us With Power
- To Witness To The World
- To Pray Correctly
- To Understand Scripture
- To Understand His Will For Our Lives

**To Make Decisions**
- To Know How To Worship In Spirit And In Truth
- To Be Healed
- To Work Miracles
- To Adequately Love God
- To Be Anointed For Fruitful & Productive Christian Service
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WIND IS INCREDIBLE:

• It is Invisible Yet Its Effects Can Be Seen
• It Sweeps Away Things That Are Not Secured
• It Can Be Harnessed For Much Power
• At Its Strongest It Gets Our Attention
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FIRE: Has Powerful Effects On Our Physical World:
• It Burns The Deadwood
• It Purifies
• Fire Is Also An Element Of Sacrifice
• The Holy Spirit Is A Fire That Generates Heat & Power -- But He Cannot Be Contained
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THE SYMBOL OF OIL:

- Oil Is Valuable And It Symbolizes The Anointing
- Being Set Apart
- Being Prepared
- Being Holy
- Oil Is Found In The Deep Places
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Why We Need the Baptism in the Holy Spirit:

• God Has Provided It -- Jesus Himself Received It
• He Commanded His Disciples Not To Proceed Without It
• It Led to the Conversion Of 3000 On The Day Of Pentecost
• It Helped the Apostle's To Fill Jerusalem With The Doctrine Of Faith & Enabled Them To Perform Supernatural Signs And Wonders
• It Helped Them To Carry The Gospel To Every Creature Of Their Generation
• No Christian Should Neglect Receiving The Baptism In The Holy Spirit
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**Keys To Receiving The Baptism Of The Holy Spirit**

- We Must Be Saved
- We Must Obey
- We Must Ask
- We Must Believe
- The Key Is Faith -- Believe That It Has Been Given – That It Is Yours
- Faith Rejoices – Because Faith Expects
- Faith Receives – In Humble Thanksgiving