THE DAY OF THE SPIRIT
What Does This Mean?

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THE OUTPOURING OF THE SPIRIT

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DURING THE DAYS OF BLOOD, FIRE, SMOKE

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God Will Show Forth His Mighty Wonders – To Warn About An Impending Judgment And An Unfolding Of His Plan Of Salvation

Luke 21:11 (NIV84) — 11 There will be great earthquakes, famines and pestilences in various places, and fearful events and great signs from heaven

Amos 8:9 (NIV84) — 9 “In that day,” declares the Sovereign Lord, “I will make the sun go down at noon and darken the earth in broad daylight.

Romans 11:26 (NIV84) — 26 And so all Israel will be saved, as it is written: “The deliverer will come from Zion; he will turn godlessness away from Jacob.
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The fulfillment of Joel’s prophecy began at Pentecost.

- Its fullness will only be seen after the Rapture of the church.
- Pentecost was the initiation.
- The Tribulation will be the completion.

Acts 2:1–4 (NIV84) — 1 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.
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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?
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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?”
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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.
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19 I will show wonders in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. 20 The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. 21 And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.’

WHEN THE DAY OF PENTECOST CAME ALL HEAVEN BROKE LOOSE AND THE HOLY SPIRIT CAME
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(John 16:7 NIV) But I tell you the truth: It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

ON THE DAY OF PENTECOST: The Potential For Awesome Things Was Unleashed Into The Lives Of Those Who Were Baptized In The Holy Spirit
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What Does Pentecost Mean To The New Testament Church Today?
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Pentecost Is An Answer To Christ’s Prayer

(John 14:16 NIV) And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever--
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Pentecost Is About Prediction And A Promise

(Luke 24:49 NIV) I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."
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Pentecost Is About Power

(Acts 1:8 NIV) But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."
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When The Spirit Comes Upon You, He Will Endue You With Power:

A Power To See Great Things Done
A Power To Tell Others About Him
A Power That Will Help You Live For Him

The Power That Is Needed Is Provided Through God’s Gift Of The Holy Spirit
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**Pentecost Is About Preaching and Proclaiming**

Pentecost Produced Instant Preachers

Pentecost Is *Still* About Preaching

Pentecost Is An Answer From The Lord To Combat The Lukewarm Attitude Of So Many In Our Day

*The Antidote For Apathy And Apostasy*
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Pentecost Is About Spirit-Led Praying

(Eph 6:18 NIV) pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests.

(Jude 1:20 NIV) But you, dear friends, build yourselves up in your most holy faith and pray in the Holy Spirit.

Praying In The Spirit Is The Highest Order Of Prayer Possible.
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When We Don’t Know How To Pray, We Can Pray In The Spirit

(Rom 8:26 NIV) 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.

“He puts utterance to our sighs, words to our groanings, and prays out His will through us”   Paul Lowenberg
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- Holy Spirit Baptism Is Simply Being Filled To Overflowing With Power, Joy, And Fullness Of The Holy Spirit
- We Believe Every Christian Is Entitled To And Should Ardently Expect And Seek The Baptism In The Holy Spirit
- Salvation Is God’s Gift To Sinners
- Holy Spirit Baptism Is God’s Gift To Christian Believers
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How To Pray For The Baptism:
• Find A Time And Place For Quiet Prayer And Meditation
• Reread The Scriptures Where The Holy Spirit Is Promised
• Pray The Prayer Of Invitation
• Receive The Holy Spirit Within
• Receive And Speak The Language The Holy Spirit Gives
• Keep On Speaking In Faith