

## From Promises To Fulfilments

"And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance" (Acts 2:4).

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"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. 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? 9 Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judaea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia, 10 Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes, 11 Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God. 12 And they were all amazed, and were in doubt, saying one to another, What meaneth this? 13 Others mocking said, These men are full of new wine. (Acts 2:1-13).

The apostles and their predecessors were all living in days of prophecy after prophecy. The time eventually came for the great transition into living their fulfilment. Truly, "God is not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do it? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?" (Numbers 23:19). Learn from the precursors and properties of this fulfilment:

- 1) they were all with one accord in one place (vs1)
- 2) Obviously, **still praying and expecting** the fulfilment of the Promise of the Father (vs1)
- 3) And **suddenly** there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind and filled **all the house** where they were sitting (vs 2)
- 4) And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them (vs 3)
- 5) And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost (vs 4)
- 6) and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance (vs 4)

"And they were all amazed, and were in doubt, saying one to another, What meaneth this?" (Acts 2:12).

- 7) the **multitude came together, and were confounded**, because that every man heard them speak in his own language (vs 5-6)
- 8) 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? (vs 7-11)
- 9) we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God (vs 11) they were not speaking gibberish!
- 10)And they were all **amazed**, and were in **doubt**, **saying** one to another, **What meaneth this?** (vs 12)
- 11) Miracles also birth mockers **Others** mocking said, These men are full of new wine (vs 13)

God is faithful. What He promised, He will do. The fulfilment of His promises for you will surely come to pass. When it happens, will you be like the:

- Disciples, who understood what was happening and relished every moment of it, declared the wonderful works of God - glorifying God? or
- 2) Confounded multitudes who were amazed, marvelled, lost in doubt and asked others "What meaneth this?" or
- 3) The gainsayers, who looked for rational explanations but ended up in irrational mockery / allegation that are not supported by evidence?

As the years of prophecies give way to seasons of fulfilment, be ready to inherit the promises of God.

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