



#3 "EARTH, WIND, AND FIRE - Part 1"

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Sermon Notes

Every good thing given and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shifting shadow. ¹⁸ In the exercise of His will He brought us forth by the word of truth, so that we would be a kind of first fruits among His creatures.

James 1:17-18 NASB

Pentecost celebrates a NEW BEGINNING where Israel was the FIRST FRUITS of INTIMACY WITH GOD

"The days are coming," declares the Lord, "when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. ³² It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them," declares the Lord. ³³ "This is the covenant I will make with the people of Israel after that time," declares the Lord. "I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people.

Jeremiah 31:31-33

I. Acts 2:1 – 4

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.

A. The Holy Spirit is revealed by WIND and BRINGS LIFE

The hand of the LORD was on me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the LORD and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones... bones that were very dry... ⁴ Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones and say to them, 'Dry bones, hear the word of the LORD! ⁵ This is what the Sovereign LORD says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you

will come to life...⁷ So I prophesied as I was commanded. And.. there was a noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together...⁹ Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to it, 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: Come, breath, from the four winds and breathe into these slain, that they may live.'" Ezekiel 37:1-9

B. The Spirit is revealed by FIRE and BRINGS GOD'S PRESENCE

There the angel of the LORD appeared to him in flames of fire from within a bush. Moses saw that though the bush was on fire it did not burn up.³ So Moses thought, "I will go over and see this strange sight—why the bush does not burn up."⁴ When the LORD saw that he had gone over to look, God called to him from within the bush, "Moses! Moses!" And Moses said, "Here I am."⁵ Exodus 3:2-4

C. The Holy Spirit is revealed by TONGUES and INAUGURATES GODS PLAN TO GO TO THE NATIONS

But the LORD came down to see the city and the tower that the men were building.⁶ The LORD said, "If as one people speaking the same language they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them.⁷ Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other."⁸ So the LORD scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city.⁹ That is why it was called Babel—because there the LORD confused the language of the whole world. From there the LORD scattered them over the face of the whole earth. Genesis 11:5-9

D. The Holy Spirit is revealed in COMMUNITY but EACH PERSON IS ALSO TOUCHED INDIVIDUALLY

There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit.⁵ There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord.⁶ There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men...⁷ Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good...¹¹ All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he gives them to each one, just as he determines. 1 Corinthians 12:4-11

The Holy Spirit came THROUGH WIND AND FIRE and sent Jesus' disciples TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH

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." Acts 1:8