



Sunday Worship 6-5-22

Sermon Series: FIRE—6

Today's Scripture Text:

Acts 2:1-4

1 When the Day of Pentecost had 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 the whole house where they were sitting. 3 Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Acts 4:13-14

13 Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and John, and perceived that they were uneducated and untrained men, they marveled. And they realized that they had been with Jesus. 14 And seeing the man who had been healed standing with them, they could say nothing against it.

Supporting Text:

Jeremiah 29:11-13 For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. 12 Then you will call on me and come and pray to me, and I will listen to you. 13 You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.

Main Point

God never intended to give you a purpose without providing the empowerment to carry out that purpose! The Day of Pentecost was—and still is—about His power filling each yielded Christ follower to serve the church and be a witness to the lost.

Quote:

“Success is not final; failure is not fatal; it is the courage to continue that counts!”

~ Winston Churchill

THE DIFFERENCE AFTER THE OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT:

1. The Holy Spirit _____ in you.

a. John 16:13 (Jesus on the Promise) But when he, the Spirit of truth, comes, he will guide you into all the truth. He will not speak on his own; he will speak only what he hears, and he will tell you what is yet to come.

b. Acts 4:12 (Peter testifying before Sanhedrin) Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.

c. Truth is not _____.

Ephesians 4:21-24 Since you have heard about Jesus and have learned the truth that comes from Him, 22 throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life, which is corrupted by lust and deception. 23 Instead, let the Spirit renew your thoughts and attitudes. 24 Put on your new nature, created to be like God—truly righteous and holy.

THE DIFFERENCE AFTER THE OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT:

Point 1 continued:

d. Truth _____.

Luke 22:31 And the Lord said, “Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you, that he may sift you as wheat.

e. Truth _____.

1 Corinthians 16:13-14 Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. 14 Do everything in love.

THE DIFFERENCE AFTER THE OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT:

Point 1 continued:

f. Truth _____.

John 21:17 (Jesus restores Peter) He said to him the third time, “Simon, son of Jonah, do you love Me?” Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, “Do you love Me?” And he said to Him, “Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You.” Jesus said to him, “Feed My sheep.

Acts 3:19 Repent, then, and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out, that times of refreshing may come from the Lord,

Psalm 51:12 Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me.

g. Truth _____.

Psalm 103:2-5 Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits: 3 Who forgives all your iniquities, who heals all your diseases, 4 Who redeems your life from destruction, who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies, 5 Who satisfies your mouth with good things, so that your youth is renewed like the eagle’s.

John 8:32 And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.

THE DIFFERENCE AFTER THE OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT:

2. The Holy Spirit _____ our mindset from what _____ can do to what _____ can do.

a. Acts 3:1-8 Now Peter and John went up together to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour. 2 And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms from those who entered the temple; 3 who, seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, asked for alms. 4 And fixing his eyes on him, with John, Peter said, "Look at us." 5 So he gave them his attention, expecting to receive something from them. 6 Then Peter said, "Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk." 7 And he took him by the right hand and lifted him up, and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength. 8 So he, leaping up, stood and walked and entered the temple with them—walking, leaping, and praising God.

THE DIFFERENCE AFTER THE OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT:

Point 2 Continued:

b. Truth _____.

Romans 12:2 Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

c. Truth prevails—you _____ change truth—it _____ you!

THE DIFFERENCE AFTER THE OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT:

3. The Holy Spirit _____ our _____.

a. Acts 4:18-20 Then they called them in again and commanded them not to speak or teach at all in the name of Jesus. 19 But Peter and John replied, "Which is right in God's eyes: to listen to you, or to him? You be the judges! 20 As for us, we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard."

b. Acts 4:33 With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all.

THE DIFFERENCE AFTER THE OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT:

4. The Holy Spirit _____ us to _____.

a. Acts 4:23-24 And being let go, they went to their own companions and reported all that the chief priests and elders had said to them. 24 So when they heard that, they raised their voice to God with one accord...

b. Acts 4:31 (AMP) And when they had prayed, the place where they were meeting together was shaken [a sign of God's presence]; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak the word of God with boldness and courage.

c. Ephesians 3:8-12 (Apostle Paul on the presence of God) I am by far the least important of all the Lord's holy people. But he gave me the grace to preach to the Gentiles about the unlimited riches that Christ gives. 9 God told me to make clear to everyone how the mystery came about. In times past it was kept hidden in the mind of God, who created all things. 10 He wanted the rulers and authorities in the heavenly world to come to know his great wisdom. The church would make it known to them. 11 That was God's plan from the beginning. He has fulfilled his plan through Christ Jesus our Lord. 12 Through him and through faith in him we can approach God. We can come to him freely. We can come without fear.

Conclusion:

In His presence we find boldness and empowerment to carry out His purpose in our life.

Reflection:

Are you seeking Him?