

Pentecost: The Hidden Partner Appears

Restoration: Easter to Pentecost #7
(Acts 2:1-13)

On the Day of Pentecost, the supernatural invaded the natural world in the person of the Holy Spirit, and the divine-human partnership was changed for good.

I. Pentecost is God's <u>Audible Answer</u> to the Traditional Troubles of Humankind.

- A. Alienation from one another (Genesis 11:5-9; Zephaniah 3:9-12)
- B. Alienation from God (Genesis 3:8-24; Luke 2:10-11, 4:18-21; John 7:38-39, 13:31, 16:7; Ephesians 4:8-10)

II. Pentecost is God's <u>Visual Fulfillment</u> of the Pending Promises of God.

- A. Recent promises of something new (Luke 3:15-16, 24:45-49; Acts 1:4-5)
- B. Older promises of restoration (Ezekiel 37:14)
- C. Older promises of new life (Ezekiel 37:9-14)
- D. The Oldest "restoration/homecoming/resurrection" promises

III. Pentecost is God's Arrival in a New Way as the <u>Supernatural Power</u> for the Contemporary Divine-Human Collaboration Called the Church.

- A. The Holy Spirit for the original Disciples (John 20:21-22)
- B. The scope of the Holy Spirit gift (John 14: 12)
- C. Pentecost shows the vital, essential and complete integration of the Holy Spirit and the authentic Church from its birth (Acts 1:1-4)

Additional Notes:

Before Pentecost the disciples found it hard to do easy things; after Pentecost they found it easy to do hard things.

- Adoniram Judson Gordon



Before Christ sent the church into the world, he sent the Spirit into the church.

The same order must be observed today.

- John R. W. Stott

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Contemporary at Covenant Welcome to Worship

When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty



rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting..."

- Acts 2:1-2

Prelude

Welcome & Church Family News

Songs of Praise

- Samuel Dueñas & the Covenant Praise Team

"Good Good Father"

"Mighty to Save"

"God With Us"

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Time of Greeting

Children's Prayer Time Katie Guerrero

Prayer of Confession & Word of Assurance





Time of Offering

(Our giving as an act of worship. You are encouraged to participate however God leads you.)

Scripture Readings:

Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:9-11 *(pp.885 & 909)*

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Prayers of the People

Song of Response:

"How He Loves"

Final Word of Blessing



El Greco, Pentecost (1600)

Songs for May 19th

Good Good Father

1 Oh, I've heard a thousand stories of what they think you're like
But I've heard the tender whisper of love in the dead of night
And you tell me that you're pleased, and that I'm never alone

Chorus: You're a Good, Good Father
It's who you are, it's who you are
And I'm loved by you.. It's who I am, it's who I am, it's who I am

2 Oh, and I've seen many searching for answers far and wide
But I know we're all searching Ffor answers only you provide
'Cause you know just what we need before we say a word [Chorus]

Break: 'Cause you are perfect in all of your ways (3x)... to us.

3 Oh, it's love so undeniable. I, I can hardly speak.

Peace so unexplainable. I, I can hardly think.

As you call me deeper still, As you call me deeper still,

As you call me deeper still, Into love, love, love [Chorus]

Mighty to Save

1 Everyone needs compassion, A love that's never failing.

Let mercy fall on me

Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Saviour,

The hope of nations

Chorus: Saviour (He can move the mountains)

And my God is mighty to save, He is mighty to save
Forever, Author of salvation, He rose and conquered the grave,
Jesus conquered the grave

2 So take me as You find me, All my fears and failures, And fill my life again I give my life to follow, Everything I believe in, And now I surrender, I surrender [*Chorus*]

Break: Shine your light and let the whole world see

We're singing for the glory of the risen King, Jesus
Shine your light and let the whole world see

We're singing for the glory of the risen King [Chorus]

God With Us

1 You are matchless in grace and mercy.

There is nowhere we can hide from Your love.

You are steadfast, never failing, You are faithful

All creation is in awe of who You are

2 You're the healer of the sick and the broken
You are comfort for every heart that mourns
Our King and our Savior forever
For eternity we will sing of all You've done
For eternity we will sing of all You've done

Chorus: We sing, God with us, God for us,
Nothing can come against, No one can stand between us.
God with us, God for us
Nothing can come against, No one can stand between us.

3 Your heart, it moves with compassion..

There is life, there is healing in Your love..

You're the Father, the Son, the Holy Spirit..

For eternity we will sing of all You've done. [Chorus]

Break: Where there was death you brought life Lord. Where there was fear you brought courage..

When I was afraid you were with me..

And you lifted me up, You lifted me up. [Chorus]

How He Loves

Verse: He is jealous for me. Love's like a hurricane, I am a tree,Bending beneath the weight of His wind and mercy.When all of a sudden I am unaware of these afflictions eclipsed by gloryAnd I realize just how beautiful You are,And how great Your affections are for me

Chorus: And oh, how He loves us, oh, Oh, how He loves us. How He loves us all

Break: And we are His portion and He is our prize,

Drawn to redemption by the grace in His eyes.

If His grace is an ocean, we're all sinking..

And heaven meets earth like an unforeseen kiss,

And my heart turns violently inside of my chest.

I don't have time to maintain these regrets

When I think about, the way... That He loves us... [Chorus]