

Title: Filled to the Brim

Text: Acts 2: 1-21, 36-41

Target: A life empowered by the Holy Spirit will not only be obvious to you, but to those around you!

- I. **The Marking of the Holy Spirit:** *"When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place."* (Vs. 1)
 - A. **Significance of Pentecost:** Feast of Weeks (Lev. 23:15-22)
 1. 1/3 required feasts, Passover, Feast of Tabernacles
 2. 7 weeks plus 1 day = 50 days
 - B. **Similarities of Pentecost:** (O.T. versus N.T.)
 1. Celebrates the Giving of the Law (Ex. 31:18)
 2. *"Noise of War in the camp...not the sound of shouting for victory"* (Ex. 32:17-18)
 3. The importance of the number 3000* (Ex. 32:28)
- II. **The Manifestation of the Holy Spirit:** *"And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them."* (Vs. 2-3)
 - A. **Audibly:** *"sound like a mighty rushing wind"*
 1. "Noise of War": (Ex. 32:17-18)
 2. "Rattling Sound": (Ezekiel 37:7-8)
 - B. **Visibly:** *"divide tongues of fire appeared to them"*
 1. Baptism of Holy Spirit unto Salvation: (Acts 1:5)
 2. Baptism of the Holy Spirit unto Service: (Acts 1:8)
 - C. **Personally:** *"rested on each one off them"*
- III. **The Ministry of the Holy Spirit:** *"And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance."* (Vs. 4)
 - A. **Outpouring of the Holy Spirit:** *"filled with the Holy Spirit"*
 1. Requires Surrender: *Be filled with the Holy Spirit.* (Eph. 5:18)
 2. Reoccurring Statement: (Acts 4:8,31, 6:3, 7:55, 9:17, 11:24, Acts 13:52)
 - B. **Overflow of the Holy Spirit:** *The spirit gave them utterance.*
 1. Ability to Communicate: "utterance"
 2. Ability to Connect: *"And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language."* (Vs. 6)
 3. Ability to give Clarity (Gen. 11): *"And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language?"* (Vs. 8)
- IV. **The Miracle of the Holy Spirit:**
 - A. **Brings about Conviction of Sin:** *"Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"* (Vs. 37)
 - B. **Brings about a Confession to Salvation:** *"And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit."* (Vs. 38)
 - C. **Brings about a Courage to Stand-Out:** *"So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls."* (Vs. 41)

Take Away: When there is a Holy Spirit Outpouring, it will lead to the Holy Spirit Overflowing, thus causing a Holy Spirit Outbreak!