****The Day of Pentecost**

*Acts 1-2*

*There are three truths concerning the day of Pentecost nestled in the command of Jesus. These three truths formulate for us the conditions given to the Church whereby each are fitted to their rightful place in the Kingdom’s work.*

1. **You must be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ God Commands**

Not merely proximity, but obedience, is in view with this command of Christ. The Holy Spirit could have come upon them at any location, but Jesus commanded them to remain in Jerusalem and wait.

*Acts 20:22 ~ “And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there.”*

1. **You must be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by God’s Spirit**

God offers you Himself. In the person of the Holy Spirit, God indwells His church and fills His people with power. You will not receive the power promised by Christ in any other way.

*Romans 5:5 ~ …and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.*

1. **You must be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of what Christ has done**

You must be witnesses of Jesus Christ. That is the purpose of God as He empowers every believer – not to accomplish worldly, selfish plans, but to rise up in the power of the Holy Spirit and declare the mighty works of God.

*Acts 28:23 ~ From morning till evening he expounded to them, testifying to the kingdom of God and trying to convince them about Jesus both from the Law of Moses and from the Prophets.*

**Acts 2:38-39**

**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. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.”**

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**Additional Scripture References**

*(And Rabbit Trails Bible Study)*

**Matthew 4:1**

*Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.*

**John 20:21**

*Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you.”*

**Genesis 12:1**

*Now the Lord said to Abram, “Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you.”*

**Luke 11:13**

*“If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!”*

**Zechariah 4:6**

*Then he said to me, “This is the word of the Lord to Zerubbabel: Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit, says the Lord of hosts.”*

**Ephesians 3:16**

*...that according to the riches of his glory he may grant you to be strengthened with power through his Spirit in your inner being.*

**2 Corinthians 5:20**

*Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, God making his appeal through us. We implore you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.*

**Acts 10:42**

*“And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead.”*

**Psalm 66:16**

*Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what he has done for my soul.*