

**C3:16
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Acts 2:1-13**

1. Pentecost gathering

2:1 When the day of Pentecost had arrived, they were all together in one place.

Pentecost was a Jewish feast. Celebrated 50 days after Passover.

II. The Holy Spirit came to them!

2 Suddenly a sound like that of a violent rushing wind came from heaven, and it filled the whole house where they were staying. 3 They saw tongues like flames of fire that separated and rested on each one of them. 4 Then they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues,^[a] as the Spirit enabled them.

What is the difference between a baptism and filling?

Baptism is a one time event at salvation

Filling is to be continually

Baptism occurs at salvation.

I Cor 12:13 For we were all baptized by^[a] one Spirit into one body—whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free—and we were all given one Spirit to drink.

Gal 3:27 For those of you who were baptized into Christ have been clothed with Christ.

Filling has to be ongoing and chosen.

Eph 5:18 And don't get drunk with wine, which leads to reckless living, but be filled by the Spirit:

“The baptism with the Spirit, grants the power that the filling with the Spirit unleashed” John MacAuthor

III. Speaking in tongues for evangelism

⁴ Then they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in different tongues,^[a] as the Spirit enabled them.

I Cor 14:21-22 It is written in the law,
I will speak to this people
by people of other tongues
and by the lips of foreigners,
and even then, they will not listen to me,^[a]
says the Lord. ²² Speaking in tongues, then, is intended as a sign, not for believers
but for unbelievers, while prophecy is not for unbelievers but for believers.

A. WHAT IS THE GIFT OF TONGUES? By Alan Parr

The Greek word translated "tongues" in verse 4 is *glossa*, from which we get our English word *glossary*.

The Greek word used for "language" in verse 6 is *dialekto*, which simply means "language of nation or a region."¹

B. FALSE BELIEFS REGARDING TONGUES

FALSE BELIEF #1: YOU MUST SPEAK IN TONGUES TO BE SAVED

FALSE BELIEF #2: SPEAKING IN TONGUES IS THE INITIAL EVIDENCE OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

FALSE BELIEF #3: THE BOOK OF ACTS PROVES THAT BELIEVERS MUST WAIT FOR THE BAPTISM OF THE SPIRIT

FALSE BELIEF #4: EVERY CHRISTIAN CAN AND SHOULD SPEAK IN TONGUES

IV. The aftermath of the Pentecost event

⁵ Now there were Jews staying in Jerusalem, devout people from every nation under heaven. ⁶ When this sound occurred, a crowd came together and was confused because each one heard them speaking in his own language. ⁷ They were astounded

and amazed, saying,^[b] “Look, aren’t all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ How is it that each of us can hear them in our own native language? ⁹ Parthians, Medes, Elamites; those who live in Mesopotamia, in Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts), ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the magnificent acts of God in our own tongues.”

They heard the “sound” and came to investigate.

They heard in their own language

They were amazed.....

V. The reaction

¹² They were all astounded and perplexed, saying to one another, “What does this mean?” ¹³ But some sneered and said, “They’re drunk on new wine.”

They were Amazed.

They were accusatory

Close:

“Power can be used in at least two ways: it can be unleashed, or it can be harnessed. The energy in ten gallons of gasoline, for instance, can be released explosively by dropping a lighted match into the can.

Or it can be channeled through the engine of a Datsun in a controlled burn and used to transport a person 350 miles.

Explosions are spectacular, but controlled burns have lasting effect, staying power. The Holy Spirit works both ways. At Pentecost, he exploded on the scene; His presence was like “tongues of fire” ([Acts 2:3](#)). Thousands were affected by one burst of God’s power. But He also works through the church—the institution God began to tap the Holy Spirit’s power for the long haul. Through worship, fellowship, and service, Christians are provided with staying power.”

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