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Acts 2.1-21 // May 15, 2022

WALL OF DIVISION BROKEN

The disciples are waiting for Jesus to send His Spirit. It had been 10 days, and suddenly on the Feast of Pentecost, which simply means, "fiftieth," as it is 50 days after the Passover. It is also known as the Feast of Harvests or Ingathering, as well as the Feast of First Fruits, and is similar to a Jewish Thanksgiving.

Suddenly, the sound of a strong wind accompanied by tongues of fire appeared in the Upper Room. Both wind and fire are common symbols or manifestations of God, and it was apparent that the Lord's presence was upon them. This was followed by the disciples speaking fluently in foreign languages without knowing that language.

THE HOLY SPIRIT'S WORK IN THE SAINTS

Peter then explains that this is the day that they have been waiting for, as prophesied by Joel, but even longed for by Moses.

Luke 10.2 // Ephesians 2.11-22 // John 7.37-39

The Holy Spirit has always been the one to bring forth salvation and regeneration in both Old and New Testament saints, however with Pentecost, there is a distinct change in the Spirit's work in the saints. In Numbers 11, for instance, when Moses is exhausted from ministry, the Lord took a part of the Spirit on Moses and placed it on the 70 elders, and Moses mentioned that he would love to have the Spirit upon *all* of God's people. Little did he know, that would be God's plan.

The giving of the Spirit to *all* God's people will now enable His church to reach people from every tongue, tribe, and nation with the Gospel.

Pentecost will now be the day where we celebrate the empowering of the church to reap the first fruits and ingathering of the harvest of souls being brought to Jesus.

SPIRIT-POWERED LIVES

If you feel as if you are simply a man or woman aiming to live a life according to Christian values or live according to biblical values, you will become exhausted and discouraged. We are not only *saved* by the Spirit, but we will be *sanctified* by the Spirit. You have been adopted by God and given His Spirit to dwell in you.

Ezekiel 37.1-14 // John 3.5-8 // Romans 8.11-24 // Ephesians 2.10

The church does not need strong, talented people.

The church needs weak people dependent on the Holy Spirit.

The church is God's Plan A, and there is no Plan B.

NOTES:

Announcement

<u>Prayer with the Pastors:</u> The Elders of Life Mission Church meet regularly to plan, discuss church business, and (most importantly!) to lift up the church in prayer, seeking God's direction and guidance. We would like to invite you to join our pastors in prayer at Pastor Jobey's house this coming <u>Monday</u>, <u>May 16th</u>, at 7pm for an hour of prayer before their Elder Meeting. Email <u>brian@lifemission.tv</u> for the address

Newcomer's Lunch: Whether you're brand new to Life Mission or have been coming for a while but don't feel connected within the church yet, we'd love to have you come to our Newcomer's Lunch in the courtyard, after our regular morning service on Sunday, May 22nd. You'll get to know our Elders over lunch, hear our story, ask any questions you may have, and learn more about how you can take your Next Step at Life Mission Church.

Please RSVP to help us plan for food: https://lifemissionchurch.com/events/

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

Galatians 2:20

I have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to fill out a Connection Card so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the Connection Booth outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll join us next Sunday and consider making us your church family.

WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email Amber Willis at amber@lifemission.tv

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our 6th - 8th graders begin each Sunday by worshiping with the adults and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our 9th-12th graders stay in the service with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email Tyler Willis at tyler@lifemission.tv.

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Point your smart phone camera at the QR Code to access a virtual Connection Card

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before group starts, who can share the Memory Verse?

Read **Acts 2.1-21.** What stands out in this passage and from the sermon on Sunday?

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

What good news this section contains! How does the promise of the Holy Spirit indwelling us give you great hope and confidence in what the Lord not only wants to do but *will* do in your life? What are of life do you need to grow more in when it comes to being more dependent on Him?

Your Life Mission

You have been saved and given His Spirit so you can go and bear fruit that will be brought in as a harvest unto the Lord. To where, and to whom, has God sent you? Who did you write down on your "Monthly Life Liturgy" that you will be pursuing in a particular way this month, and how could you use prayer to do God's will in that?

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love.

• Preaching the Gospel to Yourself (Matthew 6.9, 10)

o Always begin your time of prayer focusing on God's goodness, who He is, and what He has done for us. Pray truths from this week's text.

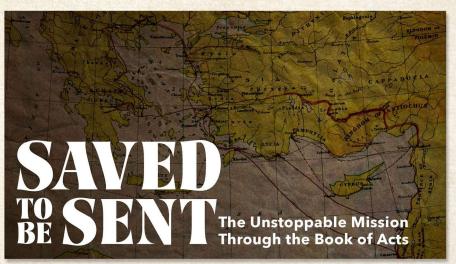
• Repent and Confess (Matthew 6.12)

o Real repentance begins where blame-shifting stops. Your circumstances don't need to change, your heart needs to change. Confess any particular sin that prevents you from walking out what God calls us to in the text, or any other particular sin you are wanting to fight. Ask Him to help you have strength to repent and run towards Him.

• Ask for Provision (Matthew 6.11-13)

- Ask God for new perspective and for the things that you need. Once our hearts are fixed on Him, we can ask Him to help us with our needs. When your heart is begin filled with the Gospel first, your asking will be far more in line with God's desires and will. Ask Him to work in the relationships in your life that you are hoping to share God's love with.
- Yield with Thanksgiving (Matthew 6.10)
 - End your prayer by giving God thanks for His faithfulness and ask Him to help you trust and yield to His work and ways.





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