

God-given passion + God-required desperation.

→ **What I want to happen, I can't make happen.**

Psalm 62:11

Once God has spoken; twice have I heard this: that **power belongs to God**

Acts 2:1-2a

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

Readiness Phase:

- **Convinced they could be **filled AND needed** to be filled**
- **Released** themselves to all they knew
→ **Able to be **interrupted / disrupted****

Acts 2:2-4

And suddenly there came from heaven a sound **like** a mighty rushing **wind**, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³And divided **tongues as of fire** appeared to them and rested **on** each one of them. ⁴And they were all **filled with the Holy Spirit** and began to speak in other tongues **as the Spirit gave** them utterance.

The Fullness of the Holy Spirit:

- **Recognition** of the **authority** of the Holy Spirit

***Fountain of Love! Yourself true God!
Who through eternal days
From Father and from Son has flowed
In uncreated ways!***

Holy Spirit's Authority:

- **Greater than our ability**
- **Beyond our comprehension**
- **Challenging our ways**
- **Not self-determined**

Acts 2:5-11

Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶And at this **sound** the multitude came together, and they were **bewildered**, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?" ⁸And how is it that we

hear, each of us in his own native language?⁹ Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome,¹¹ both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the **mighty works of God.**”

The Fullness of the Holy Spirit:

- **Recognition** of the **authority** of the Holy Spirit
- **Cooperation** with the ‘**flow**’ of the Spirit
 - ON → IN → OUT
- Overwhelming passion for **Jesus’ exaltation**
 - **Edification** of His church

Mystery with Marks:

- Deep reverence within → worship; praise; joy
- Spiritual merger within → intimacy; *Your will be done!*
- Moral revolution within (biblically-aligned & unfolded)
- Spiritual & Moral power & courage → displayed & given

Acts 2:12-13

And all were **amazed and perplexed**, saying to one another, “What does this mean?”¹³ But others **mocking** said, “They are filled with new wine.”

Who Might be Uncomfortable in a Spirit-filled Church?

- All of us ... to an extent
- The Compartmentalized Christian
- The People Pleaser
- The Ego Driven

Acts 2:14-17

But Peter, **standing** with the eleven, **lifted up his voice** and addressed them: “Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this **be known** to you, and **give ear** to my words. 15 For these people are **not** drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. 16 But this is what was uttered through **the prophet Joel**:

Acts 2:17-21

“And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on **all** flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall **prophesy**, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; 18 even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will **pour out my Spirit**, and they shall **prophesy**. 19 And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;

20 the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. 21 And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Who is the anointing of the Holy Spirit for?

The normal Christian life is an anointed life!