



PENTECOST

SUNDAY

# Pentecost: What was God saying?

**Definition:** Pentecost, Greek πεντηκοστή, pentēkostē, pen-tay-kos-tay': fiftieth from Passover, that is, the festival of "pentecost": - Pentecost.

# Deuteronomy 16:10 (Page 137)

50 Days after Easter/Passover. Days after the accession.

## Acts 1: 1-4 (Page 770)

Wait to receive the gift Jesus spoke about. *God is saying: "be patient in prayer"*

**Vs. 5** Baptized with the Holy Spirit. Baptism is a symbol of water, of getting wet or being immersed.

## Luke 3:16 (Page 726)

John answered them all, "I baptize you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.

*God is saying: "He wants to immerse us, cover us with His presence"*

*Vs. 6-8 God is saying: "you will receive power to be my witnesses."*

*Vs. 9 God is saying: "It is good that Jesus leaves"*

**John 16:7** (Page 765) But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.

**Matthew 28:20** (Page 706) Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.“

**Acts 2: 1-2** Wind God is saying: *“He is not predictable.”*

Charles Whitaker, commenting on the symbol of wind in Scripture, suggests that there are both positive and negative connotations. Wind can be frightfully powerful, as depicted by tornadoes and hurricanes. Wind has the function to broadcast seed and disperse pollen. Wind can damage soil through erosion. Mankind has difficulty controlling or harnessing the wind;

God Almighty controls and channels wind, an invisible medium, making it an ideal symbol for God's Holy Spirit, having both powerful and gentle properties—as a still small voice of a gentle breeze.

**John 3:8** (Page 752) The wind blows wherever it pleases. You hear its sound, but you cannot tell where it comes from or where it is going. So it is with everyone born of the Spirit."

**Vs. 3-4** Tongues ~ *God is saying: "He is speaking"*  
Acts 2:5-11 (Page 771)

Fire ~ *God is saying: "He is Powerful and in charge."*

**Hebrews 11:28-29** Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe, for our “God is a consuming fire.”

Put this into a sentence and God is saying: “Be *Patient*, you will receive *Power to Witness*, this is a *good* thing, He is *not predictable*, listen up because *He is speaking* and *He is powerful and in charge.*”

He is the Holy Spirit, He is your gift from Jesus.  
Jesus died so the Holy Spirit could live in you.

