



The Person & the Work of the

Holy Spirit

*8. The Role of the Holy Spirit
in the Church - 5*

▶ **This is the age of the Holy Spirit**

The Holy Spirit is the Member of the Godhead with operational responsibility in the earth in this age. The presence, the power & the ministry of the Holy Spirit is as necessary today as it was in the first Church.

▶ **The Holy Spirit is the Advocate for Christ**

He is responsible to communicate both the word & the will of Christ to the people of God & to the Church of the Living God.

▶ **The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Truth**

He leads us into ALL truth & He reveals to us the things to come.

▶ **The Holy Spirit empowers believers to walk in the supernatural presence & power of the Holy Spirit**

The Holy Spirit as the Advocate for Christ, the Head of the Church, is both IN & WITH believers to empower us to walk in the manifestations of the power and authority He has given to us in order that we might co-labour with Him to accomplish His will on earth & to see the Church built that Jesus said He would build.

I did not recognise Him, but He who sent me to baptise in water said to me, 'He upon whom you see the Spirit descending and remaining upon Him, **this is the One who baptises in the Holy Spirit.**'

John 1:33

- ▶ how important is it to you to be walking in the truth?
- ▶ how important is it to you to be empowered as a witness for Christ?
- ▶ how important is it to you to see the Church as light and salt?
- ▶ how important is it to you to see this nation touched with the gospel of Christ that alone has power to save?

Is it important enough that you will have an ear to hear the Word of the Lord & to respond to His Word & to seek TRUTH for yourself?

19. So when it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and when the doors were shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you."
20. And when He had said this, He showed them both His hands and His side. The disciples then rejoiced when they saw the Lord.
21. So Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you; as the Father has sent Me, I also send you."
22. And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit."

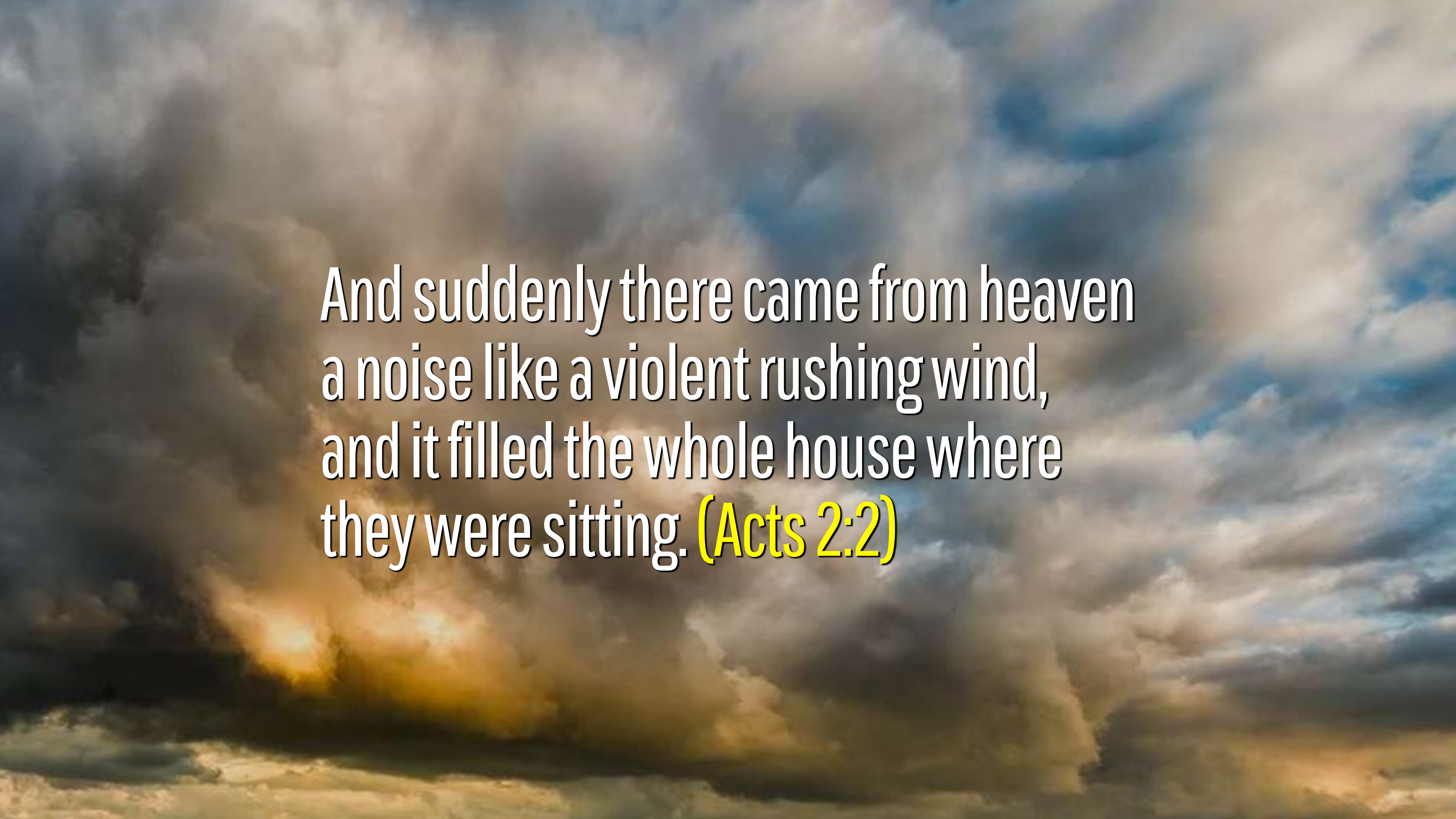
John 20:19-22

3. He (Jesus) presented Himself alive to them after His suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.
4. And while staying with them He ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for **the promise of the Father**, which, He said, “you heard from Me;
5. for John baptised **IN** water, but **you will be baptised IN the Holy Spirit not many days from now.**”

Acts 1:3–5

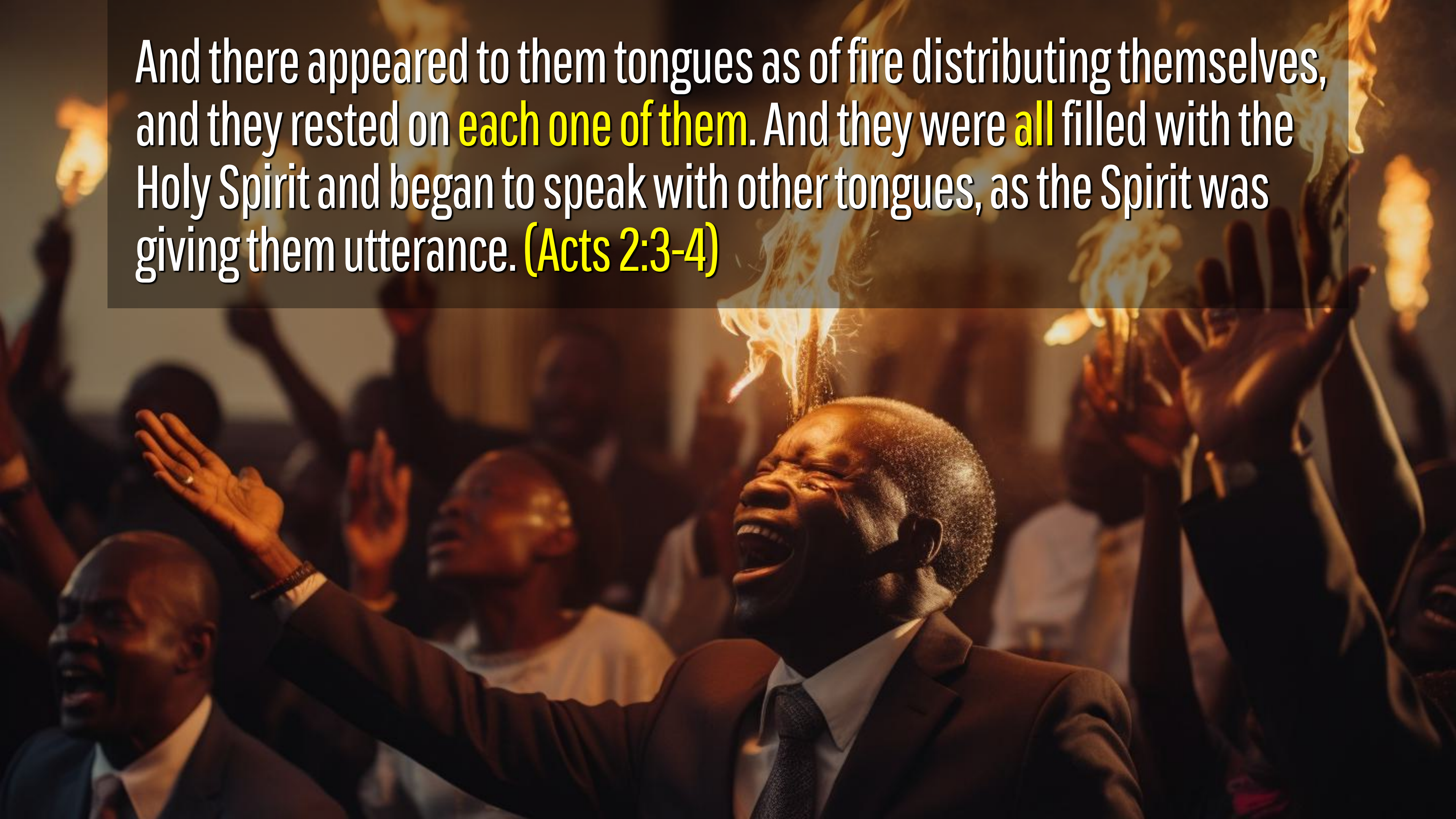
6. So when they had come together, they asked Him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?”
7. He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by His own authority.
8. But you will receive power **when the Holy Spirit has come upon you**, and you will be My witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

Acts 1:6-8



And suddenly there came from heaven
a noise like a violent rushing wind,
and it filled the whole house where
they were sitting. **(Acts 2:2)**

And there appeared to them tongues as of fire distributing themselves, and they rested on **each one of them**. And they were **all** filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit was giving them utterance. **(Acts 2:3-4)**



37. Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"
38. And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptised 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.
39. 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."

Acts 2:37-39

For the promise is for you and your children
and for all who are far off, as many as the
Lord our God will call to Himself.

Acts 2:39

- you
- your children
- all who are far off
- as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself

... those who received his word were baptised, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

Acts 2:41

But many of those who had heard the word believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

Acts 4:4

And when they heard it, they glorified God. And they said to him, "You see, brother, how many thousands there are among the Jews of those who have believed."

Acts 21:20

43. Everyone kept feeling a sense of awe; and many wonders and signs were taking place through the apostles.

47. . . . praising God and having favour with all the people. And the Lord was adding to their number day by day those who were being saved.

Acts 2:43 & 47

44. While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit fell upon all those who were listening to the message.
45. All the circumcised believers who came with Peter were amazed, because **the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out on the Gentiles also.**

Acts 10:44-45

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Acts 2:39

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Jew & Gentile

15. And He said to them, Go into all the world and preach and publish openly the good news (the Gospel) to every creature [of the whole human race].
16. He who believes [who adheres to and trusts in and relies on the Gospel and Him Whom it sets forth] and is baptised will be saved [from the penalty of eternal death]; but he who does not believe [who does not adhere to and trust in and rely on the Gospel and Him Whom it sets forth] will be condemned.

Mark 16:15-16 (Amplified Bible)

17. And these attesting signs (these authenticating, affirming miracles) will accompany (and will authenticate and affirm the ministry of) those who believe: in My name they will drive out demons; they will speak in new languages;
18. They will pick up serpents; and [even] if they drink anything deadly, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will get well.”
20. And they went out and preached everywhere, while the Lord kept working with them and confirming the message by the attesting signs and miracles that closely accompanied [it]. Amen

Mark 16:17, 18 & 20 (Amplified Bible)

2. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ and Him crucified.
3. And I was with you in weakness and in fear and much trembling,
4. and my speech and my message were not in plausible words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power,
5. so that your faith might not rest in the wisdom of men but in the power of God.

1 Corinthians 2:2-5

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11. He gave some as apostles, and some as prophets, and some as evangelists, and some as pastors and teachers,
12. for the equipping of the saints for the work of service, to the building up of the body of Christ;
13. until we all attain to the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a mature man, to the measure of the stature which belongs to the fullness of Christ.

Ephesians 4:11-13

14. As a result, we are no longer to be children, tossed here and there by waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by the trickery of men, by craftiness in deceitful scheming;
15. but speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him who is the head, even Christ,
16. from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by what every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.

Ephesians 4:14-16

For because of Him the whole body (the church, in all its various parts), closely joined and firmly knit together by the joints and ligaments with which it is supplied, **when each part [with power adapted to its need] is working properly [in all its functions],** grows to full maturity, building itself up in love.

Ephesians 4:16 (Amplified Bible)

49. For I did not speak on My own initiative, but the Father Himself who sent Me has given Me a commandment as to what to say and what to speak.
50. I know that His commandment is eternal life; therefore the things I speak, I speak just as the Father has told Me.

John 12:49-50

Therefore Jesus answered and was saying to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, unless it is something He sees the Father doing; for whatever the Father does, these things the Son also does in like manner."

John 5:19

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Ephesians 4:16 (Amplified Bible)

But **you will receive power** when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.

Acts 1:8

The Greek word translated POWER is “dunamis” (dynamite) which refers to an **inward spiritual equipment** and the **resulting outward achievement**.

But we have this treasure in earthen vessels,
so that **the surpassing greatness of the power**
will be of God and not from ourselves.

2 Corinthians 4:7

Now to Him Who, by the [action of **His**] **power that is at work within us**, is able to [carry out His purpose and] do superabundantly, far over and above all that we [dare] ask or think [infinitely beyond our highest prayers, desires, thoughts, hopes, or dreams].

Ephesians 3:20 (Amplified Bible)

1. It happened that while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul passed through the upper country and came to Ephesus, and found some disciples (believers),
2. He said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" And they said to him, "No, we have not even heard whether there is a Holy Spirit."
3. And he said, "Into what then were you baptised?" And they said, "Into John's baptism."

Acts 19:1-3

4. Paul said, "John baptised with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in Him who was coming after him, that is, in Jesus."
5. When they heard this, they were baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus.
6. And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Spirit came on them, and they began speaking with tongues and prophesying.

Acts 19:4-6