Day of Pentecost - 2025

Saturday, 6/7 at 4:00 & Sunday, 6/8 at 9:00

Day of Pentecost What Are the Pentecost Blessings?

Seven Annual Feasts

Each with a Special Connection to Jesus!

- 1. Passover ----- Jesus Is the Lamb of God
- 2. <u>Unleavened Bread</u> ----- *Jesus was Buried*
- 3. <u>First Fruits</u> ----- *Jesus was Raised*
- 4. Pentecost ----- Jesus Gave the Holy Spirit
- 5. <u>Trumpets</u> ----- *Jesus Will Return*
- 6. Atonement ----- Jesus Covers Our Sins
- 7. Tabernacles ----- Jesus Will Welcome Us In

Text: John 14:16-31 NAS 2020

Introduction: Dear friends: On this Day of Pentecost, we will focus on ⇒the pouring out of the Holy Spirit and ⇒the importance of loving Jesus.

In this sermon, ⇒it's early on Good Friday and ⇒Jesus is in the upper room giving instructions to His disciples.

- 1. Jesus Told Them: *The Holy Spirit Will Be IN You*: ¹⁶ "I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, so that He may be with you forever; ¹⁷ the Helper is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know *Him; but* you know Him because He remains with you and will be in you.
 - a. <u>Another Helper</u>: Jesus had been their Helper as He tented among them, but soon the Holy Spirit would come and be with them forever. We who trust in Jesus for heaven have that same Helper!

- b. <u>WITH You and Will Be IN You</u>: **During the OT era**, and up to the Day of Pentecost 50 days after Jesus was raised, the Holy Spirit had been at work in the world. However, **on the Day of Pentecost**, the Holy Spirit came to live WITHIN all believers!
- 2. Jesus Told Them: My Special Presence Will Be In You: 18 "I will not leave you as orphans; I am coming to you.

 19 After a little while, the world no longer is going to see Me, but you are going to see Me; because I live, you also will live. 20 On that day [the Day of Pentecost] you will know that I am in My Father, and you are in Me, and I in you.
 - a. Not Orphans: When the parents are gone, the children are orphans. That was not the case with Jesus' followers, nor with believers today.
 - b. <u>Jesus' Death and Coming to Dwell Within Them</u>: This is <u>not</u> a reference to Jesus' death and resurrection, but something greater! When Jesus died, He was not visible to the world, but **His disciples** *saw Jesus by faith, *were spiritually alive in Him, and *had Jesus living in them, along with the Holy Spirit. **Us too!**
- 3. The LOVE---COMMANDMENT Connection: ²¹ The one who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me; and the one who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will reveal Myself to him."
 - a. Why Do We Love Jesus? Because the Spirit has*shown us our sins and *saved us through Jesus!
 - b. How Do We Love Jesus? By →continuing to grow in what Jesus commanded and →putting such things into practice in our daily lives.

- 4. LOVE Is the Dividing Factor: ²² Judas (not Iscariot) [but the son of James] said to [Jesus], "Lord, what has happened that You are going to reveal Yourself to us and not to the world?" ²³ Jesus answered and said to him,
 - a. "If anyone loves Me, he will follow My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our dwelling with him. // Those who love Jesus *are saved through Jesus, *follow what Jesus commanded, and *are indwelt by the F, S, and HS!
 - b. ²⁴ The one who does not love Me does not follow My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine, but the Father's who sent Me. // Those Who Do NOT Love Jesus: *are not saved through Jesus, *do not follow what Jesus commanded, and *are not indwelt by the F, S, and HS.
- 5. Jesus Told Them: The Holy Spirit Will Teach You: 25 "These things I have spoken to you while remaining with you. 26 But the Helper, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things, and remind you of all that I said to you. // The disciples were forgetful like us; therefore, it was a great blessing for them to hear that the Holy Spirit would *remind them and *teach them. The Holy Spirit also reminds and teaches us!
- 6. Jesus Told Them: *Be At Peace*: ²⁷ Peace I leave you, My peace I give you; not as the world gives, do I give to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled, nor fearful.
 - a. The World Says: Smile, Be Happy!
 - b. <u>Jesus Says</u>: ©Your sins are forgiven, ©You are members of God's kingdom, ©Your lives are in God's

hands, and ©we are dwelling in You. May those objective realities give us true peace!

- 7. Jesus Told Them: My Leaving Is for Your Benefit: ²⁸ You heard that I said to you, 'I am going away [physically dying], and I am coming to you [in a greater way than I am with you now].' If you loved Me [and realized that My saving work is almost finished], you would have rejoiced because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. ²⁹ And now I have told you before it happens, so that when it happens, you may believe. // Hearing that Jesus was leaving must have been sad and difficult, but Jesus wanted His disciples to understand the benefits. He also wanted to tell them in advance, so, when it happened, their faith would be strengthened.
- 8. Jesus Told Them: Don't Worry Everything Is Under Control: ³⁰ I will not speak much more with you, for the ruler of the world is coming [according to the Father's plan], and he has nothing in regard to Me [because I am the Son of God], ³¹ but so that the world may know that I love the Father, I do exactly as the Father commanded Me. Get up, let's go from here.

Let Us Pray: Dear Jesus, as You loved the Father and gladly obeyed Him, so help us to love You and gladly obey You!

TYSM, dear F, S, and HS for living in us!

And all God's people said...

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