

<b>God's Redemptive Grace</b>		
<u>The Event</u>	<u>The Provision</u>	<u>The Command</u>
Crucifixion	Daily Cleansing	Put Off (Eph 4:22)
Resurrection	Daily Enablement	Put On (Eph 4:24)
Ascension	Daily Freedom	Resist (Eph 4:27)
Pentecost	Daily Anointing	Be Filled (Eph 5:18)

- The Four Redemptive Events**
- o They are Personal
  - o They are Historical
  - o They are Redemptive
  - o They are Dynamic
  - o They are Representative
  - o They are Covenantal
  - o They are Demanding

**The Blessed Holy Spirit**

The Essential Truth

**The Holy Spirit is a Person**

Worthy of Worship  
 Worthy of Love  
 Worthy of Thanksgiving  
 Worthy of Respect  
 Worthy of Attention  
 Worth of Time  
 Worthy of Trust  
 Worthy of Cooperation  
 Worthy of Obedience

- The Importance of the Holy Spirit and His Work**
1. The Holy Spirit is a Person (Worthy of Worship/Surrender)
  2. The Holy Spirit is a Gift (Worthy to be Received)
  3. The Holy Spirit has Come to Fill Us (The Holy Spirit is to be Welcomed and Obeyed)

**Introduction**

- A. The Day of Pentecost is the fourth aspect of the redeeming work of the Lord Jesus.
- B. There is a close connection between this fourfold work of our Savior.
  1. In His Crucifixion He provided **cleansing**.
  2. In His Resurrection He provided **enablement**.
  3. In His Ascension He provided **freedom**.
  4. In Pentecost He provided **anointing**.
- C. While all believers have received the full value of these four deeds legally, only those who surrender to God, choose to live in harmony with the four deeds by faith, love, and hope --have the power, joy, and fruitfulness of this provision in their daily life.

**I. The Prophetic Explanation of the Day of Pentecost.**

- A. The prophecy of Joel.

**'And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days.'** Joel 2:28,29

Comment: This is a prophecy regarding a coming day in which all of God's people will be anointed in an equal manner. We are told on that day there will be no distinction of age, gender or cultural standing. And, unusual things will/may happen to everyone: prophecy, dreams, and visions. (Emphasis: the greatness of God's provision: giving us a Person -- the Holy Spirit.)

- B. The prophecy of John the Baptist.

**John ... [preached] ... And this was his message: "After me will come one more powerful than I, the thongs of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I baptize you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."**

**Prophecy: The Holy Spirit**

I will pour out my Spirit on all people  
(Joel 2:28, 29)

He will baptise with the Holy Spirit  
(Matt 3:11)

Streams of living water will flow  
(John 7:37-39)

He will guide you—glorify me  
(John 16:13,14)

He will empower you  
(Acts 1:8)

**The Anointing of the Holy Spirit**

The Ministry of a Person

A Ministry for our spirit

A Ministry of great value

A Ministry to accomplish an  
eternal plan

Mark 1:6-8

Comment: When John used the words "**baptize you with the Holy Spirit**" he was referring to the action of the Lord Jesus that we call "regeneration/salvation." In that moment in time when we are given the gift of eternal life, we are brought into a living relationship with the Lord Jesus and the Blessed Holy Spirit. From that moment on the Holy Spirit indwells us to apply to us the redeeming work of the Lord Jesus. See I Cor 11:13 (Emphasis: truths of John 3:3,5; Titus 3:5; and I Peter 1:3)

C. The prophecy of the Lord Jesus.

**And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever-- John 14:16**

Comment: The prayer of the Lord Jesus underlines the importance of the Holy Spirit in our daily life. His name "Counselor" means "one called alongside to help." It is not a very spiritual attitude for a believer to say -- "I don't really need the Holy Spirit and His work in my life" when the Lord Jesus died to make His presence possible and commands us to be "filled" with Him.

## II. The Powerful Provision Found in the Day of Pentecost.

A. The Holy Spirit has come to **indwell the believer**. I Cor 6:19, 20

19 Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; <sup>20</sup>you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.  
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B. The Holy Spirit has come to **enable the believer** to live a holy life. Rom 8:13,14

13 For if you live according to the sinful nature, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the misdeeds of the body, you will live, <sup>14</sup>because those who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God.  
NIV

C. The Holy Spirit has come to **preserve and protect the believer**. Eph 1:1 3,14

13 And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, <sup>14</sup>who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession—to the praise of his glory.  
NIV

**D. The Holy Spirit has come to fill the believer. Eph 5 :18-21**

- 18 Do not get drunk on wine, which leads to debauchery. Instead, be filled with the Spirit. <sup>19</sup> Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, <sup>20</sup> always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 21 Submit to one another out of reverence for Christ.
- NIV

**E. The Holy Spirit has come to fill the believer with spiritual power. Acts 1:8**

- 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”
- NIV

**F. The Holy Spirit has come to enable the believer to be fruitful. Gal 5 :22,23**

- 22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law.
- NIV

**G. The Holy Spirit has come to give the believer gifts. I Cor 12:4,7**

- 4 There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit.
- 7 Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good.
- NIV

**H. The Holy Spirit has come to enable the believer to enjoy spiritual things. Rom 15:13.**

- 13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.
- NIV

**III. The Commandment Related to the Day of Pentecost.**

**Do not get drunk on wine ... Instead, be filled with the Spirit. Eph 5:18**

Comment: The grammatical construction of "filled" can be translated "**be constantly being filled with the Holy Spirit.**" It is important to recognize that this is a command. If we are concerned with being obedient Christians -- then we must obey this command and learn how to be filled -- and constantly so.

How can we account for the evident fact that so many of us are not so filled? **It is because we are not desperate. Most believers have the attitude "I would like to be filled with the Spirit, but if it doesn't happen -- I have a good life, a good job, a good family, a good church -- and I'll be all right."** We are not desperate. And, so, we live out of the will of God, **grieving the Holy**

**Spirit, are empty hollow people, and live without love, joy, peace, power and fruit.**

