

Pentecost Our Witness

- 1. **Pentecost:** Is <u>the historical</u> outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Surprisingly creating a greater spiritual warfare that we see today.
- 2. **Is the 21st century Church** must unite under the Holy Spirit to fight the true enemy of our souls the evil influences of this world.

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."

Acts 1:8

Acts 8:1-4

Persecution will...

- 1. **Divides and scatters** believers when viewed by human eyes.
- 2. **Disbursing believers** to areas they might not have been willing to go. God uses persecution to reach others.
- 3. V:4 Scattered Christians became missionaries to Samaria, and Judea. Acts 1.8
- 4. Philippians 1:12 Now I want you to know, brothers, that what has happened to me has really served to advance the gospel.

Preaching and ...

- 1. Signs: evidence of God's Spirit.
- 2. **Power: Impure spirits** were removed.
- 3. **Healings** all were a result of the Word of God be preached.
- 4. **Great joy** came to Redlands and to the world.

Acts 8:9-19

Sorcery and It's Darkness

- 1. V:9 Simon kept the people bewitched by his dark magic. (KJV)
- 2. V:11 Simon held the people captive through his sorcery.
- 3. V:13 Simon believed and was baptized.
- 4. **V:17** Simon, even the devil believes in God. There wasn't true deliverance from his sin of sorcery. He was in deception just wanting to add **this ability** to his source of making money.

Acts 8:20-25

Hearts That are Right Before God

- 1. **V:21** They are repented, a turning away from their sinful choices. (Iniquities KJV)
- 2. V:23 They are cleansed, set free from what has captured your heart.
- 3. **V:24 Simon wanted** the apostles to pray. Instead of him surrendering his heart and repenting.

In The Last Days...

- 1. **People will want** salvation with our repentance.
- 2. Heaven without surrendering to Jesus.
- 3. **Power without** the Holy Spirit.