

JOHN 14:16

You are not Alone

STUDIES ON THE HOLY SPIRIT

“The Promise fulfilled”

Acts 1:1-8; 2:1-4 (Pg. 770)

THANKSGIVING.

Gen.17:16, PROMISE FULFILLED, *a son.*



Gen.17:8. PROMISE FULFILLED, *a land*



Is.9:6. PROMISE FULFILLED, *the Messiah.*



Joel 2:28, Acts 2. PROMISE FULFILLED, *the Holy Spirit*



What does this tell us?

GOD IS FAITHFUL

He keeps His word and fulfills His promises.

So you can truly trust Him when He says,

“I am with you always.”

And thus,.....”you are not alone!”

Give thanks for that.



ACTS 2. WHY PENTECOST?

The coming of the Holy Spirit, for what purpose?

- I. To dwell with or, even more, within us**
- II. To birth, give birth to Christ's church, the
greatest institution on earth**
- III. To begin world evangelization.**



I. Ex 25:8, "That I may dwell among them."
40:34, "And the glory of the Lord....."



John 1:14, “He dwelt among us
and we beheld His glory”



Acts 2 He came to dwell within us.



THE HOLY SPIRIT CAME TO DWELL WITHIN US.

“And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever, the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you. I will not leave you orphans; (“I will not leave you alone”)I will come to you.” John 14:16-18.

“Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own?” 1Cor.6:19.



YOU ARE NOT ALONE, EVER!

“But I don’t feel Him.”

“For indeed the gospel was preached to us as well as to them; but the word which they heard did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in those who heard it,” Hebr.4:2.

“But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him.” Hebr.11:6.

“The just shall live by faith,” not feelings.



II. The birth of Christ's church

The Holy Spirit living in the believers, the church.

**“For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.”
1Cor.12:13.**

**“Do you not know that you are the temple of God
and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?” 1Cor.3:16.**

**“You also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual
house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual
sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.
1Peter 2:5.**



THE IMPORTANCE OF THE CHURCH

God's dwelling place on earth.

“Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, ²⁰ having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone,²¹ in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, ²² in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.” Eph.2:19-22.



THE IMPORTANCE OF THE CHURCH

Gods instrument on earth:

**“If I am delayed, you will know how people ought to
conduct themselves in God’s household, which is the
church of the living God,
the pillar and foundation of the truth”**

1Tim.3:14-15



THE IMPORTANCE OF THE CHURCH

**Matth.5:13-14,
“You are the salt of the earth”
(salt preserves)**

**“You are the light of the world”
(light dispels darkness)**



The importance of you as member

Are you part of the universal church of Christ?

Are you part of an active local church?

Are you allowing the Holy Spirit to use you with the gifts He has given you in your local church? 1Cor.12

Are you a “living stone” or a dead brick? 1Peter 2.

Can Christ count on you?



III. The beginning of world evangelization.

“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.



WITNESSES, Acts 1:8, Matt.28:18-20

- Witnesses, not evangelists, Acts 1:8
- We are witnesses of something, have a personal knowledge of something or someone
- We are to be witnesses, testify or give evidence
- The great harvest of souls, 3000, 5000, Acts 2:41; 4:4; 5:14.



“GIVE ME SCOTLAND OR I’LL DIE”

A desperate man with a desperate plea:




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- I. To dwell within us. *Does He dwell in you?*
- II. To birth, give birth to Christ's church, the greatest institution on earth. *Are you part of this?*
- III. To begin world evangelization. *Are you a witness and are you as desperate as John Knox?*



A person with long brown hair, wearing glasses, a brown patterned scarf, and a black leather jacket, is shown from the back and side, looking out over a body of water at sunset. The sky is a warm orange and yellow, and the water is dark and calm.

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THANKSGIVING.

LET'S GIVE THANKS for:

- I. The fact that God is faithful and fulfills His promises
- II. The coming of God to live within us, His presence
- III. The birth of the Church, the greatest institution on earth
- VI. The great harvest of souls, 3000, 5000, and continuing....
- V. The promise of His presence and power as we witness.

