

S.A.F.E. Homes



Strengthening Apostolic Families Everywhere



“And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.” Acts 2:4

Filled with the Spirit

The disciples experienced a myriad of emotions during their final weeks with Jesus. They fellowshiped with Him at the Last Supper, prayed with Him in the Garden of Gethsemane, and watched as He was arrested and put through an unjust trial. Imagine the fear and uncertainty they felt as He hung on the cross in pain and humiliation. The One who they believed to be their Messiah was placed in a tomb where He stayed for three days. But on that third day He arose!

This is what sets the Christian faith apart from all other religions in the world. Jesus is the only One who died for us and then rose again so that we could also triumph over death and live eternally. Before He ascended into Heaven, He gave His disciples instructions. They were not to grieve because He was going away. They were not to go back to their homes and just sit down and do nothing. No! He specifically told them to go to Jerusalem and wait for the promise of His Spirit which would dwell inside of them.

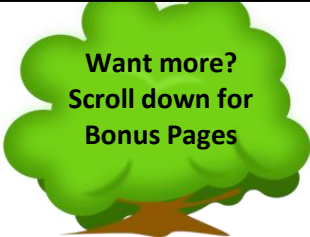
Peter, James, and John along with the other disciples, and Mary, the mother of Jesus headed to an Upper Room in Jerusalem to wait for the promise. Altogether there were 120 people in that Upper Room. **“And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting” (Acts 2:1-2).** Can you imagine! Not one person was left out. Verse 4 says, **“And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.”**

Praise God! This wonderful experience did not stop on the Day of Pentecost but it was promised to all future generations! **“For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call” (Acts 2:39).** God’s promise is for everyone!

Family Prayer: “Jesus, thank You for Your precious gift of salvation. Not only can we have overcoming victory here on earth, but Your Spirit will take us to Heaven some day to be with You for eternity! In Jesus’ Name, amen.”



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What does it mean to be filled with the Spirit?
Do this visual demonstration: Using a clear glass container, place some large rocks in it up to the top. Ask this question: Is the container full? Most would say "yes." Have some much smaller rocks on hand which will slide down between the larger ones. Ask the same question. The others will begin to catch on! Next use sand to slide down between the rocks. Finally, when it looks as full as possible, pour water into the container.
Object lesson: There are many things in our lives, but God's Spirit must truly be infused into every area of our lives. We must be FILLED with the Spirit!

Let's talk

How would you answer someone who said that speaking in tongues was only a sign for those who were in Jerusalem on the Day of Pentecost in Acts 2?

How about designing a personal tract that you can give to people. Your own testimony is the most powerful tool you have sometimes. Remember: Your life is the only Bible that some people will ever read!



Additional Challenges

Some people would try to say that what happened on the Day of Pentecost was just a miracle for the people who were visiting in Jerusalem that day, but that is seriously wrong. We don't have to read much farther in the Book of Acts to find evidence that others spoke in tongues when they were filled with the Spirit.

What happened to the household of Cornelius?

Acts 10:44-46

“While _____ yet spake these words, the _____ fell on all them which _____ the word. And they of the _____ which _____ were astonished, as many as came with _____, because that on the _____ also was poured out the _____ of the _____. For they _____ them _____, and magnify God.”

And what about the disciples of John who Paul witnessed to at Ephesus?

Acts 19:2-6

(verse 2) “He said unto them, Have ye received the _____ since ye believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any _____.

(verse 6) “And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the _____ came on them; and they _____, and prophesied.”

What did Paul tell the church at Corinth?

(1 Corinthians 14:18) “I thank my God, I _____ more than ye all”

Have you been filled with the Spirit and spoken in tongues?

This promise is for YOU!

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And they were all filled!

