

**Pentecost:
The Birthday of The Church**

**Living the Passion and Purpose of
The Early Church
Living Life, Jesus – Style**

Pentecost Quiz

1. **Pentecost is also known as:**
- A. **Feast of Tabernacles**
 - B. **Feast of First Fruits**
 - C. **Feast of Trumpets**
 - D. **Festival of Weeks**
 - E. **Shavuot**

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2. **Pentecost is counted from what other feast?**
- A. **Feast of Tabernacles**
 - B. **Feast of Passover**
 - C. **Feast of First Fruits**
 - D. **Feast of Trumpets**

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3. **Pentecost is how many days from Passover?**
- A. **36**
 - B. **49**
 - C. **150**
 - D. **50**

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4. Pentecost was considered a secondary feast and attendance was optional. True or False?

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5. How many people would be attending Pentecost?
- A. 50,000
 - B. 250,000
 - C. 500,000
 - D. 1,000,000

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6. What day of the week was Pentecost celebrated?
- A. Friday
 - B. Jewish/Sabbath
 - C. Sunday

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7. On Pentecost, the room where they were meeting was filled with a rushing wind. True or False?

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8. On Pentecost, tongues of fire rested on the disciples.
True or False?
- False. It was tongues AS OF fire rested on EACH of them

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9. They were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other known languages.
True or False

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10. Because they were speaking in foreign languages, they were mistaken for:
- A. Drunks
 - B. Foreigners
 - C. Scholars

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11. Using Peter's message, how many people did the Holy Spirit show that Jesus was the Messiah?
- A. 300
 - B. 3000
 - C. 5000

The Birth of the Church

- What was the context the church was birthed in?
- It was **ONLY 50 days** from the Death of Jesus.
 - * The tomb was empty, and they had seen Jesus, occasionally.
 - * 10 days ago Jesus told them to wait in Jerusalem, then He floated up into the clouds

The Birth of the Church

- The disciples obeyed by waiting
- Empowered by the Spirit, the early church turned their world upside down
- What was the key to Spirit empowered ministry? All submitted to the Spirit!
- One mind, one accord, Oneness in the Spirit

The Empowered Church

- Acts 1:14 - These all with one mind were continually devoting themselves to prayer, along with *the* women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers.
- 2:46 Day by day continuing with one mind in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, they were taking their meals together with gladness and sincerity of heart,

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- 4: 24 And when they heard *this*, they lifted their voices to God with one accord and said,
- 5:12; At the hands of the apostles many signs and wonders were taking place among the people; and they were all with one accord in Solomon's portico.
- 15: 25 it seemed good to us, having become of one mind, to select men to send to you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul,
- One Mind, One Accord, One Passion

One Mind, Accord, Passion

- **All** submitted everything to Jesus as Lord
- For **all**, God was their joy, their hope, their strength , their purpose, they loved to be with one another
- They had “died” to self in Christ, and now, the only one that mattered to them was Christ

Satan’s Plan

- Satan has always tried to tear apart what God has brought together.
- Matt.19:6 – Marriages
- Eph.2:14-18 - People
- Eph.4:1-6 – Churches
- 2 Tim.2:22-26 – Prisoners of Satan to do his will

God’s Plan

- Unity in the Spirit is foundational to Spiritual success . John 17:20-23
- The Beatitudes teach living in the Spirit by dying to self and living to God
- Acts shows what that looks like as a group
- Rom.12:16
- Eph.5:21

Why Should We Celebrate Pentecost?

1. Pentecost fulfills Jesus’s promise to never forsake his own. John 16:7, 13–14; cf Acts 2:38; Matt.28:20
2. Pentecost launches the global proclamation of the gospel. Acts 1:8
3. Pentecost signals the coming of fuller restoration and a greater celebration.
Joel 2:28 – Pentecost; Joel 2:25-27