

Pentecost through the Three Ages:
The Old Testament Time, the New Testament Time,
And the Time of the Completed Testament

Acts 2:1 (Day of Pentecost) and Leviticus 23:15 (Feast of Pentecost)

Introduction

We can find two passages concerning the Pentecost in the Bible, one in the Old Testament and one in the New Testament.

1. Report from the Old Testament about Pentecost.

The Israelites priesthood was drawn from the tribe of Levi. Leviticus is the third of five books known as the Law of Moses; it is the most strict book, demanding man's strict adherence to the Law of God.

God commands obedience and promises blessings upon the obedient; to the disobedient come curses and strong warnings.

2. Report from the New Testament about Pentecost.

The Day of Pentecost marks the birthday of the Christian Church of which the risen and exalted Christ is head.

It was an altogether supernatural event as evidence by the suddenness of its occurrence. There was a sound like a rushing, mighty wind, revealing the presence of the Holy Spirit. There were tongues of fire. Christ's message was proclaimed in many different languages, as a token of the ultimate preaching of the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

The fire was a symbol of the holy zeal with which the appointed would speak forth the divine message.

Pentecost was celebrated 50 days after the Passover.

Now is the fulfillment of Pentecost

Through the revelation of Divine Principle we can see that the moment of Pentecost is not yet fulfilled in the ultimate sense. The third appearance of Pentecost will take place at a time

of the greatest activity of God on earth. This means the time when God will end the history of the evil world.

This will be the time when the very last days come. God will send his Son again to this earth, to bring His heart and His truth, but also His judgment. The third time Pentecost occurs, God will fulfill His promise of the Three Blessings for the first time here on this earth.

Jesus promised that he would return “soon” (Revelations 22:20 or Matthew 10:23). Consequently, many Christians in every age have believed that their time was the time of the last days. With an overall view of God’s dispensation of restoration we can see that we are living in the actual age of the Second Coming.

What kind of spiritual phenomena are occurring in the Last Days? The Last Days is when men restore on a worldwide scale the level just before the Fall. For this reason there will be many people who develop their ability to communicate with the spiritual world. God promises to pour out His spirit on all flesh (Acts 2:17).

Many people in the last days will receive the message “You are the Lord.” This does not mean that they are the Lord of the Second Coming; it means that they are reestablished in the position of Lord over the creation, the position which man lost because of the Fall.

Just as John the Baptist came to prepare the way for Jesus, there will be many people with various missions who are to prepare the way for the Lord’s second coming.

Spiritual leaders, holy people, and many others already recognize the unusual phenomena of our time. Twentieth Century people who are aware know that a new Pentecost is already at the door.

In order to bring it about, we have to listen and to study and pray about this new revelation which came from God in our time, and the Divine Principle. The Israelites had to live up to certain laws. People of the Twentieth Century have to live up to much more advanced laws given to God, in order to be ready for the great Pentecost to come.

Conclusion

The fulfillment of God’s will is now. Divine Principle is the greatest guideline to the fulfillment of the Old Testament and the New Testament, and leads us to the Pentecostal accomplishment. The Messianic Age has arrived. Christianity should be the leader in welcoming and fulfilling God’s expectation and command for our time.