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Acts 2:1-3

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ²Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.



The background of the image shows ancient stone ruins under a clear sky. On the left, a large, weathered column stands prominently. In the center, a stone archway is visible. To the right, a long row of columns supports a structure, possibly a colonnade or a temple facade. The overall scene is bathed in a warm, golden light, suggesting a sunrise or sunset.

Filled with the

SPIRIT

More of us to seek the filling of the Spirit.

2 questions

1. What does this mean? (2:12)
2. What shall we do? (2:37)



What does this mean?

- Terminologies
 - Baptism (Acts 1:5)
 - Filled (2:4; 4:8, 31; 9:17)
 - Received (8:15, 17; 10:47; 19:2)
 - Came (10:44; 19:6)
 - Poured (2:17; 10:45)



What does this mean?

- Terminologies

- Baptism used by Paul and Luke

1 Corinthians 12:13 For we were all **baptized** by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were all given the one Spirit to drink.



What does this mean?

- Being filled with the Spirit is not once-off
 - Peter (2:4; 4:8, 31)
 - Saul (9:17; 13:9)



What does this mean?

- Results of being filled with the Spirit
 - Tongues (2:4; 10:46)
 - Joy (13:52)
 - Praise (10:46)
 - Boldness (4:31)
 - Healing (9:18)





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- 1. The gifts of the Spirit are for today**
- 2. Tongues are not the only evidence of being filled**
- 3. Focus on Christian maturity**

What shall we do?



What shall we do?

- Seek the Lord to fill you with the Spirit
- Repent of idolatry and sin
- Do not fear
- Do not set up barriers
- Be open to what the Spirit wants to do



What we should seek (and this applies to all Christians) is that God pour his Spirit out upon us so completely that we are filled with joy, victorious over sin, and bold to witness. And the ways he brings us to that fullness are probably as varied as people are. It may come in a tumultuous experience of ecstasy and tongues. It may come through a tumultuous experience of ecstasy and no tongues. It may come through a crisis of suffering when you abandon yourself totally to God. Or it may come gradually through a steady diet of God's word and prayer and fellowship and worship and service. However it comes, our first experience of the fullness of the Spirit is only the beginning of a life-long battle to stay filled with the Spirit. **John Piper**

Being filled with the Spirit is a present reality. He is your empowering presence to live your life in honour of God.