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PART 13: WERE THE EVENTS OF PENTECOST A ONE-OFF?

Reading: Acts 10:44 - 48

Introduction

- The baptism with the Holy Spirit made for momentous days in the young church.
- The experience was not the exception to the rule; it was the norm.
- What occurred in the '**Upper Room**' was not a one off.
- It occurred again in [Acts 4] and [Acts 8] as we saw last time.

1 Caesarea In [Acts 10]

- In the home of the retired centurion, Cornelius in the coastal town of Caesarea.
- While Peter is preaching the gospel, the Holy Spirit interrupted. [Vs 44].
- The evidence was the '**glossolalia**' or '**speaking in tongues**'.
- At the same time they were converted, they were baptised with the Holy Spirit.

- Two separate experiences but happening at the same time in this instance.
- Note: In this case no one laid hands on them.

2 Ephesus In [Acts 19]

- Paul encounters 12 men who had been followers of John the Baptist.
- They knew of John's preaching to believe on Jesus.
- They had undergone John's baptism of repentance.
- Paul now baptises them *"in the name of the Lord Jesus."*
- Then [Vs 6] he lays hands on them for the baptism.
- The evidence is the glossolalia and prophesying.

3 Conclusions

- What happened on the day of Pentecost was not a *'one-off'*
- After that initial outpouring believers never had to wait again for it.
- Sometimes it happened spontaneously other times it was through the laying on of hands.
- There was always some supernatural manifestation accompanying it.
- It was for every professing believer
- It brought boldness and empowering
- There is one baptism but numerous infillings.

Question: That was for the early church but is it **STILL** for today?

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