Pentecost: Practicing the Presence
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Scripture

• Exodus 34:22

> And you shall celebrate the Feast of Weeks, *that is*, the first fruits of the wheat harvest, and the Feast of Ingathering at the turn of the year.

Other Scriptures

• Exodus 19-20
• I Corinthians 15:6
• Acts 17:6
• Romans 10:1-2
• I Corinthians 15:12-15
• Acts 9:3-6
• Colossians 1:27
• Romans 10:6-8
• I Kings 19:11-13

Main Points

• Shavuot/Pentecost 2021
  o Begins at sunset on Sunday, May 16, 2021
  o Ends at nightfall on Tuesday, May 18, 2021.

• On today’s episode:
  Understand the roots of Pentecost and its present day application for our lives.
• The Feast of Weeks is a celebration of the wheat harvest.
• Every good thing happening in our lives is a gift from God.
• The Feast of Weeks was a celebration and a time of thanksgiving.
• The Feast of Weeks is also known as Shavuot.
• Pentecost is the Greek word meaning 50.
• FEAST OF WEEKS
  o Celebration of the agricultural harvest.
  o Remembering when God revealed Himself at Mount Sinai,
• Jewish people carry the anointing of the “fear of the Lord.”
Things to consider about Pentecost:
  o Pentecost has biblical and historical origins going back 3,500 years.
  o Pentecost was fulfilled in Acts 2 when God’s Spirit inhabited His believers.

- If you love Jesus, He lives in you.
- Pentecost is the celebration of the nearness of God.
- We need to recognize that God is inside us.
- We need to learn how to live our lives from the inside out.
- How to live from the inside out:
  o Spend time with God every day.
  o We need to practice the presence of God.
- Pentecost is an inward journey.
- We have received the gift of God’s Spirit.

Discussion Questions

1. Why were the early disciples gathered in the upper room in Acts 2? What were they doing there in celebration of this holy day, Shavuot?

2. In the days of Moses, Passover and leaving Egypt led to God revealing Himself en masse at what spot? Describe what happened there. What has this brought about in the Jewish nation as time has passed?

3. Pentecost brought a new relationship with the presence of God. Where should we now focus our understanding of where God dwells?

4. What are some ways to learn to live from the inside out? What does really mean?

5. Has your understanding of Pentecost increased from this teaching? Has your desire to know the God of Pentecost increased after viewing this teaching? Write out a simple prayer to God to respond to this new revelation.