

Pentecost in the Hebrew Bible

Core Message: Pentecost, known as Shavuot in Hebrew, is not merely a Christian holiday but one of God's appointed times first revealed in the Torah. It commemorates the giving of the Law at Mount Sinai and later, the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in Acts 2. Understanding Pentecost's roots enriches our appreciation of its power and relevance. The Holy Spirit came upon a unified community, reminding us of the importance of spiritual togetherness and the supernatural nature of our faith. God desires to continue working supernaturally through His people today, just as He did at the birth of the Church

Main Bible Verses (NASB):

- Core Memory Verse: (Leviticus 23:16) "You shall count fifty days to the day
 after the seventh Sabbath; then you shall present a new grain offering to the
 Lord."
- (Acts 2:1-4) "When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one
 place. And suddenly there came from heaven a noise like a violent rushing wind,
 and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. And there appeared to them
 tongues as of fire distributing themselves, and they rested on each one of them. And
 they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the
 Spirit was giving them utterance."
- (Joel 2:28-32, quoted in Acts 2) "And it shall be in the last days,' God says, 'that I will pour forth of My Spirit on all mankind... And it shall be that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."
- (Acts 2:22-24) "Jesus the Nazarene, a man attested to you by God with miracles and wonders and signs... you nailed to a cross... But God raised Him up again."



Key Points (Fill-in-the-Blank):

"Pentecost is not first a holy day."
"When the Spirit of the Lord came, He came to a of believers."
"Unity brings, division brings death."
• "God is a God."
"The church is a movement."
"We've been brought into covenant relationship with a God."
"This is what was spoken through the prophet"
Notes: Use lines below for personal notes)



Reflection Questions:

1.	Does understanding the Jewish roots of Pentecost change your perspective on the Holy Spirit's work? How so?
2.	Are there areas in your life where you need to make room for the supernatural? What steps can you take?
3.	How can you personally proclaim the message of Jesus, as the apostles did on Pentecost?
4.	Rabbi emphasized that the Holy Spirit came to the <i>community</i> of believers, not to separate individuals in Acts 2. What does this say to your living and experiencing Him in this present time?



Application Challenge of the Week:

Every morning this week, ask the Holy Spirit to fill you afresh and expect Him to move in a supernatural way in your life.	

Prayer Prompts:

- Thank God for sending the Holy Spirit to empower His people.
- Ask the Lord to increase your sensitivity to His supernatural movements.
- Pray for unity in the Body of Messiah, so His presence can manifest powerfully.

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[&]quot;The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord cause His fact to shine on you, and be gracious to you. The Lord lift up His face to you and give you peace." Numbers 6:22-27