

WORD OF THE DAY



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*"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, **they were all with one accord** in one place, house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them."*

MEDITATE ON THIS (Unite for Power)



Many view the day of Pentecost as the beginning of the Church. On this day, the Holy Spirit descended upon the people like a rushing wind and fire, fulfilling John the Baptist's prophecy. John had stated, "I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

The contrast between the behavior of the disciples prior to the cross and the events on the day of Pentecost is striking. Before the cross, the gospels document instances where the disciples argued amongst themselves over various matters, such as who was the greatest ([Luke 22:24-30](#)), who should sit at Jesus' right hand ([Mark 10:35-45](#)), and if children should be allowed to see Jesus ([Matthew 19:14](#)). However, on the day of Pentecost, things were different. They were all united and in one accord, which marked a significant shift in their spiritual power.

The Holy Spirit came with power to enable people to do the work of God only when they were unified with one another. Many Christians attempt to carry out the Lord's work in their own strength, and others strive to do God's work without being in harmony with the body of Christ. Let us unite with the brothers and sisters whom God has placed in our sphere of ministry so that the power of the Holy Spirit can flow through us.

- *Your brother in Christ, WNL*

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

We are stronger together.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Dear God, thank you for sending us your Holy Spirit, which empowers us to do your work. Doing your divine task requires divine power, Lord. Please help me to be in unity with other believers, who may look different from me, worship differently from me, and even have different gifts, so that your power will be magnified as it flows through all of us. I pray this in Jesus' name. Amen.

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