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Our Family Tree – Pentecostalism
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Joel 2:28 (NIV)

...I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions.

Acts 1:8 (NIV)

You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Acts 2:1-4 (NIV)

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole 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.

The History of Pentecostalism

The Name

Pentecostals take their name from the Jewish festival of Pentecost. In roughly 30 A.D. when the disciples were in Jerusalem the Holy Spirit descended upon them, filled them, and empowered them with supernatural boldness to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Out of the Methodist Movement

Pentecostalism has its roots in the Methodist movement.

John and Charles Wesley, priests in the Church of England, were disturbed by the passionless worship of the church. They began pursuing the spiritual disciplines of prayer and Bible study and formed small groups for accountability and spiritual growth.

In 1738, both John and Charles had profound experiences with the Lord through the Holy Spirit in which they came to have an assurance of their salvation. As a result they preached a need for conversion and the continuing work of the Holy Spirit in the life of every believer with the aim being _____.

Sanctification is the process of removing our bent toward sin and shaping the Christian into one who loves God completely and loves their neighbor as themselves.

The early Methodists combined the intellect and the heart, and the evangelistic and social gospels.

When Methodism came to America in the 19th century, it was soon divided between those who emphasized experiences of the heart and the evangelistic gospel, and those who emphasized the intellect and the social gospel. The result was that many groups began to break away from the Methodist Church.

The Birth of Pentecostalism

- 1901 – Charles Fox Parham, a professor at Bethel Bible College in Topeka, Kansas, invited his students to receive the gift of speaking in tongues.
- Agnes Ozman – first person known to speak in tongues in the United States.
- 1906 – William Joseph Seymour, black pastor of the Azusa Street Mission in Los Angeles.

Numbers

There are about 430 million Pentecostals or Charismatic Christians around the world.

Beliefs

Pentecostals generally hold to the essentials of the Christian faith as contained in the Apostles' Creed and Nicene Creed.

Two Major Emphases of Pentecostalism

- _____
I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me will come one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not fit to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. Matthew 3:11 (NIV)

You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. Acts 1:8 (NIV)
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...I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. Joel 2:28 (NIV)

What Can We Learn From Our Pentecostal Friends?

- Living Daily in the _____

Prayer

**Come, Holy Spirit, and fill me anew. Guide me. Use me.
Empower me. Lead me. Grant me Your gifts that I might live for You each day and be useful to
You in serving others.
In Jesus' name. Amen.**