

BIBLICAL AUTHORITY FOR THE DOCTRINES OF PENTECOST

SCRIPTURAL EVIDENCE FOR A SECOND EXPERIENCE HOLY GHOST BAPTISM

Joel 2:28-32 *And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions: And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit. And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and the terrible day of the LORD come. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD hath said, and in the remnant whom the LORD shall call.*

Isaiah 28:11 *For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people.*

Acts 2:4 *...and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.*

Acts 2:16-21 *But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel; And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy: And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke: The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come: And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.*

Acts 2:38-39 *Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.*

Acts 1:4-5 *And, being assembled together with them, commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait for the promise of the Father, which, saith he, ye have*

heard of me. For John truly baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost not many days hence.

***Acts 1:8** But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.*

***Mark 16:17-18** And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.*

Either these words Jesus spoke are true or the Bible is a pitiful lie; either we believe these words Christ spoke or we totally reject all that he said! He did not qualify this verse by saying, “*This is not for all believers, only for some...*”, he said, “*...these signs SHALL follow them that believe!*” We either believe ALL the Bible or none of it! SOME MEN CHOOSE TO EXPLAIN AWAY THE BIBLE. WE MUST CHOOSE TO BELIEVE IT!

ACCOUNTS IN SCRIPTURE WHERE BELIEVERS RECEIVED THE BAPTISM OF THE HOLY GHOST WITH THE INITIAL EVIDENCE OF SPEAKING IN TONGUES

***Acts 2:1-4** And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.*

***Acts 8:15-17** Who, when they were come down, prayed for them, that they might receive the Holy Ghost: (For as yet he was fallen upon none of them: only they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.) Then laid they their hands on them, and they received the Holy Ghost.*

Though it is not recorded that they spoke with other tongues in this scripture they did receive the Baptism of the Holy Ghost by the "laying on of hands".

***Acts 9:17-18** And Ananias went his way, and entered into the house; and putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the Lord, even Jesus, that appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest, hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight, and be filled with the Holy Ghost.*

And immediately there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and he received sight forthwith, and arose, and was baptized.

It is not mentioned here that the future Apostle spoke with other tongues but we do know from 1 Cor 13-14 that he "*spoke with tongues more than ye all...*"

Acts 10:44-46 *While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God.*

Acts 19:1-6 *And it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul having passed through the upper coasts came to Ephesus: and finding certain disciples, He said unto them, Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed? And they said unto him, We have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost. And he said unto them, Unto what then were ye baptized? And they said, Unto John's baptism. Then said Paul, John verily baptized with the baptism of repentance, saying unto the people, that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is, on Christ Jesus. When they heard this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Ghost came on them; and they spake with tongues, and prophesied.*

Nowhere in the Bible is it found that this experience is to cease during the church age. Men who choose to explain the baptism of the Holy Ghost away cling to one lone scripture that is pulled grossly out of context:

1 Cor. 13:8 *Charity never faileth: but whether there be prophecies, they shall fail; whether there be tongues, they shall cease; whether there be knowledge, it shall vanish away.*

Does this scripture tell us that the gift of tongues shall cease sometime in the first century? NO! If so, then so did knowledge....this is foolish and irresponsible interpretation of scripture. Taken in context with the complete chapter, Paul is simply making a foundational point, that, love is the center of the Christian faith. Without love all our outward works and gifts are void of meaning, purpose or life. Verse 10 says, "*But when that which is perfect (complete) is come, then that which is in part shall be done away.*" This is the key to when the gifts shall be done away with: **WHEN THAT WHICH IS PERFECT HAS COME**, in eternity there will be no need for the gifts.

If the gift of tongues is to cease along with the other supernatural gifts—just when did they cease? why would God leave us in the dark on such an important issue? Why in the scriptures did not Paul or the others give us a clear answer? **Because all the gifts are for us today!** Jesus told the religious men of His day, "*You hold to the doctrines of men and*

make the Word of God of no effect!" So it is today, men prefer to hold to their own thoughts and theories rather than simply just believing the simple Word of God.

***1 Cor. 14:1-4** Follow after charity, and desire spiritual gifts, but rather that ye may prophesy. For he that speaketh in an unknown tongue speaketh not unto men, but unto God: for no man understandeth him; howbeit in the spirit he speaketh mysteries. But he that prophesieth speaketh unto men to edification, and exhortation, and comfort. He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth himself; but he that prophesieth edifieth the church.*

***1 Cor. 14:39** Wherefore, brethren, covet to prophesy, and forbid not to speak with tongues.*

We either believe this command or reject all commands given in the New Testament. Men everywhere ignore this clear command and fight the true work of the Holy Ghost. Certainly the devil can reproduce and counterfeit these gifts, but that does not refute the validity of the true spiritual gifts within the true church of Jesus Christ.

SCRIPTURES CONCERNING THE MINISTRY GIFTS

***Ephes. 4:11** And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers...*

***Acts 13:1-3** Now there were in the church that was at Antioch certain **prophets** and teachers; as Barnabas, and Simeon that was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, which had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them. And when they had fasted and prayed, and laid their hands on them, they sent them away.*

Saul or Paul was first a Prophet before he was an Apostle.

***Acts 21:10** And as we tarried there many days, there came down from Judaea a certain **prophet**, named Agabus.*

An example of a New Testament Prophet.

***Titus 1:12** One of themselves, even a **prophet** of their own, said, The Cretians are always liars, evil beasts, slow bellies.*

Another example.

Rev. 11:10 *And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another; because these two **prophets** tormented them that dwelt on the earth.*

These verses describes the *future* ministry of the two witnesses. These two prophets (V. 10) are to walk in the supernatural power of God and although their appearing is set for the future it will still be in the CHURCH AGE!!! If the office of the prophet was done away with along with the gifts of the supernatural just when will God bring them back? If he will not reinstitute these gifts then how will these men fulfill their ministries?

Nowhere in the Bible is it said that two of the Five ministry gifts will cease. If these two (Apostle and Prophet) cease then all five must cease, if there is no Apostle or Prophet today, then there is no Pastor! To remove these two gifts from *Eph. 4:11* is irresponsible and illogical interpretation of scripture. *I choose to believe the entire Bible.*

ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURES CONCERNING MINISTRY GIFTS

Matt 7:15-20; Matt 24:6, 11, 36-51; 1 Thes 5:1-9; 2 Thes 2:1-12; 1 Tim 6:3-11; 2 Tim 3:1-7, 12-13; 4:1-4; 2 Pet 2:1-3; 1 Jn 2:15-2, 1 Jn 4:1-6 (Titus 1:15-16); Jude 3-4, 8-13, 18-20 (Prov 25:14).