Holy Spirit Series Pentecost 02/09/19 Newport News Campus

Opening

- -Faith Promise...
- -Annual Business Meeting

Introduction

- -Larry Kreider Biblical Foundation Series
- -Hebrews 6:1-2
 - Baptizo to be made fully wet
 - Completely and totally immersed in something
 - Notice also it's plural
 - Baptism in Water (Colossians 2:12)
 - Baptism into the Body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:13)
 - Baptism of Fire (Matthew 3:11-12)
 - Baptism with the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:5)
- -all 4 of these Baptisms are supernatural experiences but we don't see the first three that way because we have become so familiar with them!
- -We must be careful to distinguish between something that deserves our suspicion because it is suspect and something that makes us uncomfortable simply because it is unfamiliar!

Pentecost

- -Luke 19:10...to seek and save the lost
- -Matthew 16:18...He also came to build His church

-Acts 1:1-15 (read Bible)

- Jesus postponed Luke 19 and Matthew 16!
- Where were the other 380 people? (1 Corinthians 15:6)
- Jesus' death and resurrection at Passover (Luke 19)
 - The sacrifice (how and Who through...)
 - The forgiveness
 - o But message not preached until Acts 2:14
 - Because in order for the message to be effectual they needed power!
- Church birthed during Pentecost (Matthew 16)
 - o Law given on 50th day of Exodus
 - Also fell between two harvests: barely and wheat (both planted in autumn but barley matures faster, harvest during Passover and wheat during Pentecost)
 - The two harvests were symbolic, barley prophetically represents the Jews because they had a basis of understanding to respond to The Gospel quicker. The Gentiles like the wheat took longer to "germinate" because they didn't have the foundation of the Jews.
 - Jesus didn't want The Church birthed at His resurrection because He intended The Church to be both Jew and Gentile!!!!
 - Because in order for The Church to be diverse they needed a display!

-Acts 10:1-18 (read Bible)...why is all of this happening...because the early church was reaching the lost but Jesus' second great purpose to build His church was still faltering...it was still homogeneous!!!!!

-Acts 2:1-13 (if there is time)

- Genesis 11 Tower of Babel
- Building His Church
- Making a name Jesus (seeking and saving the lost)
- Neither without the power of the Holy Spirit!!!
- And He used language to separate and now again to unify!
- Genesis 11:6

Band

-Why do we teach on this every year? Because the message still needs power to be effectual and the Church still needs a display to be diverse!

"Box-sized gods. You'll find them in the tight grip of people who prefer a god they can manage, control, and predict. This topsy-turvy life requires a tame deity, doesn't it? In a world out of control, we need a god we can control, a comforting presence akin to a lap dog or the kitchen cat. We all and he comes. We pet and he purrs. If we can just keep God in his place..." Max Lucado

Close

-Acts 1:8