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The Presence: Transformation Is Key

John 16:7 - *...it is best for you that I go away, because if I don't, the Advocate won't come. If I do go away, then I will send him to you.*

John 7:39 - *(When he said "living water," he was speaking of the Spirit, who would be given to everyone believing in him. But the Spirit had not yet been given, because Jesus had not yet entered into his glory.)*

By The Spirit The Gospel Would Go Out To All The World

Acts 2:2-4 - *Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting. ³ Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. ⁴ And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability.*

Acts 2:12 - *They stood there amazed and perplexed. "What can this mean?" they asked each other.*

Acts 2:14 - *Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them...*

2 Thessalonians 1:7-10 - *And God will provide rest for you who are being persecuted and also for us when the Lord Jesus appears from heaven. He will come with his mighty angels, ⁸ in flaming fire, bringing judgment on those who don't know God and on those who refuse to obey the Good News of our Lord Jesus. ⁹ They will be punished with eternal destruction, forever separated from the Lord and from his glorious power. ¹⁰ When he comes on that day, he will receive glory from his holy people—praise from all who believe. And this includes you, for you believed what we told you about him.*

God's Purpose To Pour Out His Spirit Again And Again On All People

The Spirit Is To Empower And Make Us Strong

Acts 2:17-18 - *'In the last days,' God says, 'I will pour out my Spirit upon all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy. Your young men will see visions, and your old men will dream dreams. ¹⁸ In those days I will pour out my Spirit even on my servants—men and women alike—and they will prophesy.*

Acts 21:9 - *He had four unmarried daughters who had the gift of prophecy.*

The Spirit Is Given Only To Those Who Are Born-Again Believers

1 Corinthians 2:11-12 - *No one can know a person's thoughts except that person's own spirit, and no one can know God's thoughts except God's own Spirit. ¹² And we have received God's Spirit (not the world's spirit), so we can know the wonderful things God has freely given us.*

- 1. An Awareness Of God's Love.**
- 2. A Sense Of Direction And Purpose For Life.**
- 3. The Power To Obey.**
- 4. A Familial Connection With Christ And His Church.**
- 5. The Illumination Of God's Word.**