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SERMON TITLE: FROM POWER TO PURPOSE: PENTECOST MAKES OVERCOMERS

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## OPENING SCRIPTURES

- **Acts 1:8 (NKJV):** "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."
- **Acts 2:1–4 (NKJV):** "When the Day of Pentecost had 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 the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance."

## Who Is the Holy Spirit?

The Holy Spirit is the third Person of the Trinity — God Himself, actively present and working in the earth and in the life of the believer.

## The Holy Spirit is NOT:

- An emotion
- A feeling
- A force or energy
- Merely an experience

## The Holy Spirit IS:

- **God's Presence** living within believers (1 Corinthians 3:16)
- **Our Helper** — He strengthens and assists us (John 14:16)
- **Our Teacher** — He reveals truth (John 14:26)
- **Our Guide** — He directs our steps (John 16:13)
- **Our Comforter** — He brings peace in difficult seasons
- **Our Empowerer** — He gives power to live victoriously and witness effectively (Acts 1:8)

## INTRODUCTION

Life today can leave people feeling overwhelmed and running on empty. We live in a world where we are more connected than ever — through phones, social media, emails, and technology — yet many people feel more disconnected internally than they have ever felt before. Many people are surviving but not really living.

The Holy Spirit is God's presence and power working in the lives of ordinary people to help us live victoriously in an increasingly difficult world. Pentecost was never merely about wind, fire, or tongues. Pentecost was God releasing supernatural power into ordinary people so they could become overcomers.

Today, God is still pouring out His Spirit. The same power that transformed Peter can transform you. The same power that changed Jerusalem can change your home. The same power that saved three thousand can save you. The question is not whether God is still pouring out His Spirit. The question is: Are you ready to receive what He is pouring out?

## SERMON POINTS

### Point 1: The Holy Spirit Gives Power for Transformation and Victory

**Main Text:** Acts 2:1–4 (NKJV) — "And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit..."

- **Matthew 5:6 (NKJV):** "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled."
- **Galatians 5:17 (NKJV):** "For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh..."
- **Ezekiel 36:26–27 (NKJV):** "I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you."

