

# Pentecost “The Liberation of Man Has Begun”

Acts 2:1-4

## **Introduction:**

v 1. Pentecost has arrived  
But its fulfillment will not come in a temple but “the house”  
The 120 are waiting

v 2. “suddenly” a free act of God occurs  
The miraculous  
The People hear something  
see something  
experience something

First a “wind” a symbol of the Holy Spirit  
A violent wind  
But only the sound  
That only they can hear

v 3. They see something: tongues or flames of fire. Also a symbol of the Holy Spirit.

Fire Illumines  
Purifies  
Symbolizes God’s presence in Israel’s temple  
Depicts God’s word

The spirit’s presence enables them to preach.

v 4. And they experience something- “tongues” i.e. languages.

And all say the same things:  
“the mighty deeds of god”  
i.e. Old Testament stories now fulfilled in Christ

Babel is being reversed  
The redemption of man has begun.

**Conclusion:** Things are now in place.