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THE PURE LANGUAGE OF OTHER TONGUES

In chapter two of Acts, we see that the Holy Ghost was poured out upon the 120 seekers, and they all spoke in other tongues. It was a sign of that outpouring, but why the tongues? Couldn't the Holy Spirit move upon them without the tongues?

I see two distinct reasons for the tongues. The first reason was a sign that a distinct work was done in the lives of the seekers; a sign that they had just been given an endowment, an infusion, of spiritual power; one that had never before been known to believers except to the prophets, priests, and kings.

The second reason is found in Zephaniah 3:8-9 where God said, ***“Therefore wait ye upon me...For then will I turn to the people a pure language, that they may call upon the name of the LORD...”*** There is no language purer than the heavenly language of other tongues given by the Holy Spirit. God hears it and understands, and I believe His holy angels also understand it. The dark angels of Satan do not understand it.

You may pray in tongues without your natural understanding unless the Holy Spirit gives you the interpretation. However, I believe that your human spirit understands it since you have been regenerated in Christ by the Holy Spirit.

Although you may have no understanding of what you have spoken in the Spirit, I am confident that God's holy angels do understand. Your tongues often give them instruction or direction upon which they can act, especially in helping others in need. Many times, the tongues may also give praise and glory to God in a higher fashion than we do in English or our natural language.

If you cannot or do not pray in tongues, ask God to baptize you with the Holy Spirit and receive your tongues. Do not miss out on some of the most important prayers you may utter outside of prayers of repentance.