

Pentecost and the Work of the Holy Spirit

Feast of Pentecost
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Pentecost in the Old Testament

- Feast of Weeks
- “You shall count fifty days to the day after the seventh Sabbath; then you shall offer a new grain offering to the Lord.” (Leviticus 23:16)
- The Point of the Exodus
 - Covenant with God
 - A life ordered by His commands
 - To inherit the Promised Land



The Holy Spirit's work in us

- **Covenant with God**

- "In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise." (Ephesians 1:13)
- In Chrismation by the Myron we are sealed by the Holy Spirit
- "Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?" (1 Corinthians 3:16)
- "Present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God." (Romans 12:1)

The Holy Spirit's work in us

- **A Life Ordered by His Commands**

- The problem with the Mosaic Law was never the Law itself but the heart of humanity.
- "I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts." (Jeremiah 31:33)
- "I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them." (Ezekiel 36:27)
- "For what the law could not do in that it was weak through the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, on account of sin: He condemned sin in the flesh, 4 that the righteous requirement of the law might be fulfilled in us who do not walk according to the flesh but according to the Spirit." (Romans 8:3-4)

The Holy Spirit's work in us

- **A Life Ordered by His Commands**

- *"As long as a man does not conquer the passions, he does not perceive the operations of the Spirit."* (St. Isaac the Syrian)
- **"For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God."** (Romans 8:14)

The Holy Spirit's work in us

- **To Inherit the Promised Land**

- The Holy Spirit makes us children of God via adoption
- “For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, “Abba, Father.” 16 The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, 17 and if children, then heirs—heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him, that we may also be glorified together.” (Romans 8:15-17)
- “And the glory which You gave Me I have given them, that they may be one just as We are one...” (John 17:22)

