

The Age of Pentecost

*And when the day of Pentecost was fully come,
they were all with one accord in one place.
(Acts 2:1).*

Here are some principles and practices:

Partnership - In the Age of Pentecost, God's people were unified. They were praying and planning together. "One place and with one accord" is the key.

Expansion - In the Age of Pentecost, the Church will grow exponentially. The spiritual, numerical and financial aspects of the Church boomed once all the believers were filled with the Spirit.

Newness - In the Age of Pentecost, all things become new. The Church had to be something they had never been before. They were about to do ministry in ways previously unknown and unemployed.

Timeliness - If you were not in the Upper Room on the first Pentecost Sunday, you would have missed the power of the Spirit. For ten days, the Church waited and watched for God's next directions. At the most crucial and essential moments of transition and impartation, all their leaders and their most committed core were present.

Evangelism - In the Age of Pentecost, the message and the methods of ministry must be evangelistic. The Church prayed for 10 days, Apostle Peter preached for 10 minutes and 3,000 people came to Christ, and then joined the Church. Every member became a soul winner!

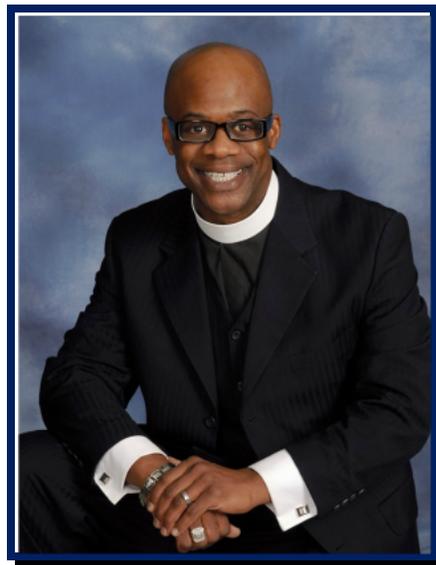
Consistency - In the Age of Pentecost, the believers bring consistency to the ministry. "Sometimes" is for hobbies, not ministries. The Church was not weekly; it was daily. What we do daily is what builds up our consistency.

Opportunities - In The Age of Pentecost, visionaries led the Church. Visionaries are the pioneers and trailblazers of opportunities. Throughout the Book of Acts the apostles and believers are seizing opportunities to share Christ and to minister the power of the Holy Spirit.

Servanthood - In the Age of Pentecost, the Church grew through the willingness of believers to serve each other and to serve their city. Servanthood does not have its own agenda. Servanthood is a humility that rejects the need to be popular and the demand to be appreciated.

Transition - In The Age of Pentecost, we are on the move. We are open to change. Jerusalem requires different ministry than does Judea. Samaria requires a different approach than Judea. The "uttermost part of the earth" requires a totally different dynamic. The Church was in constant transition because anything that grows changes.

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