Why You Need to Pray in Tongues Now More Than Ever

Everything that has come down was put within us. Now we are waiting for it to come out of us.

Jesus instructed His disciples to wait in Jerusalem until they were endued with fire. Acts 1:8 says it this way, “But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you shall be My witnesses…” What came down was the Holy Spirit, in the form of tongues of fire. Those tongues of fire are in our mouth. They are not coming down again. Jesus said in John 16:7, “Nevertheless I tell you the truth: It is expedient for you that I go away. For if I do not go away, the Counselor will not come to you. But if I go, I will send Him to you.” Just as the dove came down and rested on Jesus at His baptism in Matthew 3:16, the same Holy Spirit came and rested upon people in the upper room in Acts 2, but in the form of tongues of fire.

Many people are looking up, waiting for something to come down. We pray out of Matthew 6, “Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done,” as though it is something outside of us. We are looking up for God to send something down, but the Lord is looking down, waiting for something to come out—of us. I wonder if the reason we are not seeing a breakthrough is not because something has not come down, but rather because something has not come out. In the past season we would sing, “Holy Spirit, rain down,” but I believe the song of this season is, “Holy Spirit, break out.” Break our walls down. Christ in you, Christ in me, is the hope of glory! He must come out from us.

While I was in worship on Sunday night at Bethel Church in Redding, CA, the spirit of God spoke to me and said, “You have been given tongues of fire. Your words light up the nations!” The Lord has given us tongues of fire and in the midst of

darkness, our words of life bring light and truth to build up the nations, not tear them down. The very next thing I saw was choirs of nations, singing, “great are You, Lord.” it was a picture of whole nations lifting up their voices in one song to the Lord. I was calling to the various nations, to join in the song of the Lord.

> *Isaiah 60:1-3 says, “Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For the darkness shall cover the earth and deep darkness the peoples; but the Lord shall rise upon you, and His glory shall be seen upon you. The nations shall come to your light and kings to the brightness of your rising” (MEV).*

I believe now more than ever before, we have a mandate from heaven to let our tongues of fire out, so the nations can sing “great are You, Lord.” As we speak life, we light up people’s lives, we light up nations with hope, peace and joy, and we bring healing through the fire of our words of life. We have been given tongues of fire. In the past many have used their tongues to burn up what they deemed wrong, but today we are being commissioned to use our tongues of fire to light up the nations with the light of the life that comes out of our mouths. You have tongues of fire. Light up the nations!

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