This is that.

Acts 2:16; Revelation 1:1

Not only is life interconnected, but so is the Bible. What you find in Revelation, you find at Pentecost. This is that.

The tomb is empty, but are you still hiding? The victory has been won, but we're still hesitant. You're hiding because you don't have confidence that the victory has been won. When faith is tested by fire, we sometimes shrink.

Last Sunday was the first Sunday after the Resurrection, the beginning of Pentecost. Pentecost was an unusual moment in the life of the disciples.

It was a time when fear, not the Holy Spirit, gripped them. Fear immobilized them.

If we are honest, it only takes a little bad news to make us start rowing again. It only takes a few dark clouds in the sky for us to declare it's a bad day. This is not who we are called to be as Children of God. We are called to live in the boldness of our faith and trust in God. In case you have not learned. Faith is always tested by fire. Life will always be threatened by death. To live and breathe in the Savior's peace, we must always confront the fire.

The fire of uncertainty. The fire of the unknown. The fire of not knowing the outcome of not knowing how things are going to end.

Faith has always been forged in fire. Faith does not grow by standing still.

But Pastor, Moses said, "Stand still and see the salvation of the Lord." They were not called to stand still.

They were called to remember. Remember what God has done for you, and trust in Him now. Remember how far He has brought you and trust Him now. Stand still and remember, so you can gather yourself in this moment of fear and trust God over fear.

And when you remember what God has done for you, you will step forward into the unknown. Step forward into what you consider the abyss. You will step forward and trust in God.

Moses told them to stand still and remember. Because when you remember what God has done for you, you act.

That is why they crossed the Red Sea, because they remembered what God had done.

The first Sunday after the Resurrection was a Red Sea moment for the disciples. And while the tomb is still empty, hearts are still unsure.

The stone rolled away, but some of us are still sitting in locked rooms, afraid to step out. The Resurrection isn't the end of the story—it's the beginning of our call. He didn't survive the cross, so we could sit in the shadows.

Jesus showed He could overcome, so we would be able to stand in our moments of adversity. Jesus did not demonstrate how much He trusted in the Father for us to be afraid to trust Him.

Jesus is expecting us to be witnesses.

After the resurrection, Jesus was looking for witnesses. So I am telling you that Resurrection leads us all somewhere.

You must understand this individually and collectively. The resurrection leads to fire, not peace. It leads to confrontation, not a life of leisure. It leads to confrontation with oneself and the world.

It leads to the decision, which leads to Pentecost. And Pentecost leads to Revelation.

These are not disconnected moments—they are divine movements.

And they're asking the same question: Will you choose Jesus, or will you stay with the world?

Pentecost Confronts Your Comfort Zone

The days before Pentecost, they were all gathered… but they weren't ready. They were in a room, not in the streets. They were surrounded by believers, but they hadn't yet spoken or reached out.

Because they had not received power from on high.

They had faith—but they hadn't yet walked in the fire. And isn't that like many of us? We're saved but scared.

We doubt by our actions that the Lord will make a way. We reveal not with our words. We don't think the Lord will make a way.

We believe, but we're hiding behind closed doors. We know what He said, but we haven't stepped into what He promised.

But hear me—Pentecost demands a move. The Holy Spirit didn't come to help you hide. He came to push you out of your fear and into your calling.

And Revelation says the same thing: "Come out of her (who is her, Babylon), My people!" (Rev. 18:4)

Come out of compromise. Come out of the fear that grips you. Come out of culture's grasp. Come out of playing it safe.

You can't sit in the upper room and change the world. You can't worship the Lamb and stay comfortable with the empire.

Both Pentecost and Revelation say: Move. Speak. Stand.

The Spirit Empowers, Not Just Encourages

"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you…"

But power for what? Not to shout. Not to dance. Not to impress folks in the sanctuary.

Power to witness and demonstrate your bold faith in Jesus. Power to endure the heat of the fire. Power to stand when you feel like caving in.

At Pentecost, the Spirit pushed the Church into the street. In Revelation, the Spirit speaks to every church: "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit is saying…"

What is He saying? He's saying, "Stay faithful." He's saying, "Don't bow to the Beast."

The Beast doesn't just reside in Revelation. The Beast resides when fear paralyzes you. The Beast is present whenever compromises cross your mind or your actions. The Beast is present whenever you choose the path of least resistance instead of standing for Jesus.

He's saying, "Follow the Lamb wherever He goes." We have misunderstood the Holy Spirit completely.

The Holy Spirit is not just a comforter. He is a challenger. The Holy Spirit commissions by fire.

The same Spirit who danced over the disciples in Acts burns in the eyes of the Lamb in Revelation (Rev. 1:14).

What is clear for all to see is this. In Revelation, You Must Choose Jesus or the World.

Before Pentecost, Peter ran. After going through the fire of Pentecost, Peter stood. Peter stood before the same council that crucified his Savior. And when they said, "Be quiet," he said, "We must obey God rather than men."

That wasn't a casual confession. That was a Pentecost decision.

And Revelation echoes it: **"They overcame by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives unto death."**

This ain't cheap faith. This ain't fair-weather following.

This is real. This is rugged. This is radical. Pentecost gives you the boldness.

Revelation demands the loyalty that is an outgrowth of boldness and faith. You can't say you follow Jesus in the upper room and not follow Him into the wilderness. You can't sing "Worthy is the Lamb" on Sunday and bow to Babylon on Monday.

Both Pentecost and Revelation ask you the same question: Whose kingdom are you living for?

The Church is Born in Fire and Tried in Truth

At Pentecost, 3,000 were added. How many are we going to add to New Deliverance?

They broke bread. They prayed. They shared everything. They walked in awe.

But Revelation shows us what happens next.

Some churches lose their first love. Some tolerate false teaching. Some compromise with culture and say I'm only going so far and no further. Some are lukewarm and have grown comfortable. I'm not going to rock the boat of a good life. It's not enough to be born in fire—you've got to stay lit.

The Church of Acts becomes the Church of Revelation. And the Church of Revelation is the Church of today.

So, here's the challenge: Don't lose your Pentecost boldness in a Babylonian world. Don't let the upper room become your hiding place. Don't let the fire flicker when the furnace needs to be hot.

This Is That

Peter said, "This is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel…" Let me say it another way: This moment is connected to that movement.

The fire in Acts is the same in Revelation. The Spirit who fell at Pentecost is the same Spirit who speaks to the churches. The Lamb who poured out His blood on the cross is the same Lamb who opens the seals.

You can't have a Pentecost shout with a Revelation silence. You can't speak in tongues and then fall quiet when Babylon says, "Bow down." You can't catch the Holy Ghost and lose your testimony when the fire gets hot.

THIS IS THAT!

That same Spirit is still here. That same fire is still falling. That same Lamb is still standing.

Peter was once a denier, but Pentecost made him a preacher! John was exiled, but Revelation made him a visionary!

God takes cowards and turns them into conquerors. He takes doubters and gives them dominion. He takes the upper rooms and turns them into the front line.

THIS IS THAT!

This ain't a new gospel—it's the same Spirit. This ain't a different Lamb—it's the same One who was slain.

And He's still asking: Will you stand? Will you speak? Will you follow? Because Pentecost was not the end. It was the beginning of Revelation.

And Revelation ain't about the world ending—It's about the Church standing.

THIS IS THAT!

The Lamb still reigns. The fire still falls. The Spirit still speaks.

And this… this is your moment.

Blessings,

Pastor Gool