

The Whirlwind *Pentecost 2010*

The Imitation of Christ

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Something different happens at Pentecost

Life on the Inside of God's own Holy Life

We are united with the Father and the Son who at once is both human and God through the power of the Spirit who is also truly God and who makes us participants in God.

The Holy Spirit abides with you and is in you.

John 14:17

[The Spirit] abides with you, and he will be in you.

Drawn into the Whirlwind

Acts 2:2

And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.

Genesis 1:1-2

In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth, the earth was a formless void and darkness covered the face of the deep, while a wind from God swept over the face of the waters.

Job 38:1 and 40:6

Then the Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind,

The wind is the unceasing, unstoppable current of love that rushes from God the Father to God the Son to the Holy Spirit and back to the Father and back to the Son and so on and so on.

Think of not just living like God, imitating God but rather being on the inside of God's own holy life.

2 Peter 1:4

...and become participants of the divine nature

Jesus said we would do greater works than he.

John 14:12-14

Very truly, I tell you, the one who believe in me will also do the works that I do and ,in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

What was the disciples' first great "work?"

Acts 2:4

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them the ability.

Drawing others into God's holy life.