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Introduction

Apostolic Pentecostal preaching is not denominational rhetoric, polished oratory, or religious performance. It is a divine oracle — a spoken seed given by the Lord, delivered in holiness and power, and sown by ministers who are baptized in Jesus' name and filled with the Holy Ghost and fire with the evidence of speaking in tongues. This preaching is Christ-centered: it declares Jesus as God manifested in the flesh, calls for repentance, baptism in Jesus' name for the remission of sins, and expects the infilling of the Holy Ghost and fire with the evidence of speaking in tongues. When rightly sown, the Holy Ghost germinates that seed in the human spirit and brings forth conviction, conversion, sanctification, and power for witness.

What Apostolic Pentecostal Preaching Is

- **A Divine Oracle:** The preacher speaks as God's mouthpiece. The message carries the authority of heaven, not merely human opinion (Hebrews 1:1-3; Acts 2:4).
- **An Original Spoken Seed:** A concise, living word from God that the Spirit quickens in the hearer (Luke 8:11; 1 Peter 1:23).
- **Spirit-Activated:** The word is effective in the context of Holy Ghost and fire filling — tongues, prophecy,

and spiritual testimony confirm and multiply its fruit (Acts 1:8; Acts 2:1-4).

- **Jesus-Name Centered:** The message always points to Jesus — His deity and humanity, His atoning blood, and the apostolic plan of salvation (Acts 2:38).
- **The Blood Witness of Tongues:** Speaking in tongues is the believer-bride's sign and evidence of being filled with the Holy Ghost and fire — the blood witness that confirms adoption into God's family. It testifies to the spirit of sonship, the spirit of adoption, and is the birthright sign that you are born of the Spirit, a son and daughter of God, empowered by the Holy Ghost and fire as a blood-covenant believer.

Who the Ministers Are

- **Fivefold-called:** Apostolic preaching is typically delivered by men and women called to the fivefold ministry (apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors, teachers) who have hunger for God, character, and apostolic accountability (Ephesians 4:11-16).
- **Spirit-filled and consecrated:** These ministers have been born again, baptized in Jesus' name, and filled with the Holy Ghost and fire with the evidence of speaking in tongues. Their life of holiness precedes and sustains their ministry.
- **Not political or performance-minded:** They are not seeking titles, popularity, or political advantage. Their aim is to please the Lord, equip the Bride, and purify

the church.

- Prophet-priest posture: They preach with pastoral concern and prophetic boldness, calling people to repentance and guiding them into the sanctifying work of Christ.

Apostolic Distinctives:

Holiness, Separation, and Church Ethics

- Biblical Holiness within and without: Apostolic Pentecostal preachers affirm Bible holiness — an inward cleansing and outward separation from the world's patterns and practices. Holiness is not optional decorum; it is essential to the apostolic life and the witness of the Bride.
- Separation from the world: This distinctiveness shows in personal conduct, corporate standards, and cultural engagement that resists conformity to ungodly ways while engaging the lost with the gospel.
- Ethical pulpit conduct: Apostolic ministers observe pastoral ethics when ministering in another pastor's pulpit. They respect the hosting pastor's leadership and the church's standards. They will not preach above or override the local pastor's established devotions, standards of holiness, or doctrinal direction without prior permission. Local church sovereignty is honored.
- Rejection of denominationalism and organizationalism: While holding to structure, order,

and apostolic accountability, Apostolic Pentecostals typically reject rigid denominational labels and hierarchical organizationalism that obscure biblical apostolic faith. Instead, they affirm apostolic Pentecostal doctrine — especially the Oneness of God and the apostolic plan of salvation as proclaimed in Acts 2:38.

- Holiness essential to apostolic identity: To be truly Apostolic Pentecostal is to embrace the message of repentance, Jesus-name baptism, and the Holy Ghost and fire, coupled with a lifestyle of holiness both inwardly and outwardly. This doctrinal-holiness stance is presented as integral to salvation and to covenant identity in Christ.

The Divine Pull and Jesus-Name Proclamation

There is a divine pull in Apostolic Pentecostal preaching that draws saints and sinners alike to an old-fashioned altar. This preaching builds faith and brings life and hope that can only be found in the Lord Jesus Christ. Jesus-Name preaching exalts the one true God — the Lord Jesus Christ — and calls people into the apostolic experience of repentance, baptism in His name, and the infilling of the Holy Ghost and fire with the evidence of speaking in tongues. This is “Jesus-only” proclamation: it centers worship and salvation on the one Lord Jesus Christ (the Oneness confession), not on trinitarian or triune

denominational formulations. Apostolic Jesus-Name preaching is revelation preaching — it is intended to reveal Christ, awaken conviction, and call hearers to covenant obedience and spiritual birthright as blood-covenant believers.

How Apostolic Preaching Differs from Denominational Rhetoric

- Purpose: Rhetoric seeks persuasion or cultural acceptance. Apostolic preaching seeks spiritual life — conviction, repentance, obedience, and empowerment.
- Source: Rhetoric may rely on human skill; apostolic preaching relies on revelation and the anointing of the Holy Ghost and fire.
- Form: Rather than long discourses tailored to trends, apostolic preaching often seeds the spirit with concise, burdened words that the Spirit can multiply.
- Fruit: The desired fruit is transformed lives — sinners saved, believers baptized in Jesus' name, filled with the Holy Ghost and fire with the evidence of speaking in tongues, and sanctified.

Characteristics of the Divine Oracle

- Seed-like and focused: A single living idea planted with clarity and fire.
- Christ-exalting and apostolic: Always draws back to the core of apostolic faith: Jesus, repentance, baptism

in His name, and the Holy Ghost and fire.

- Spirit-attested: Accompanied by tongues, prophecy, bold prayer, and the demonstration of the Spirit's power.
- Expectant authority: Spoken with faith and sovereign expectation that God will move.
- Humble submission: Ministers operate under Scripture, elder oversight, and accountability to prevent pride and excess.

Practical Elements for Preaching the Divine Oracle

1. Preparation in Holiness

- Personal consecration: ongoing prayer, confession, and fasting as needed to keep the vessel clean.
- Scripture immersion: study, meditation, and seeking the Spirit for the living seed rather than mere information.

2. Spirit-Dependence in Delivery

- Begin in prayer, seeking the anointing of the Holy Ghost and fire.
- Speak simply and expectantly; allow the Spirit to direct and to confirm.
- Be open to tongues and prophetic interjection that strengthen and clarify the message.

3. Planting the Seed

- Declare the gospel plainly (repentance, Jesus-name baptism, Holy Ghost and fire infilling with the evidence of speaking in tongues).
- Give a clear call to response — immediate steps such as confession, coming forward for water baptism in Jesus' name, or praying to receive the Holy Ghost and fire with tongues.
- Use testimonies and Scripture to confirm the word.

4. Confirmation and Fruit

- Pray for immediate infilling with the Holy Ghost and fire, expecting the evidence of speaking in tongues.
- Receive testimonies of conversion, renewal, and tongues as confirmations of the seed's life.
- Lay hands, pray prophetically, and equip converts to expect and steward the gifts and the sign of tongues as the spirit of sonship and adoption.

5. Pastoral Follow-Up

- Discipleship: teach Acts 2:42 doctrine — apostolic teaching, fellowship, breaking of bread, and prayer.
- Accountability: provide mentorship, oversight, and correction in love.
- Training: help new believers grow in holiness and

learn to steward spiritual gifts responsibly, honoring tongues as the believer's blood-witness and birthright sign.

Fivefold Ministry: Calling, Fasting, and Word

Apostolic ministers do more than deliver sermons. They seek God through prayer and fasting until they receive a word from the Lord — a living seed to sow. They refuse to be mere denominational preachers or political figures; they are sent to serve and to equip the Bride. Their role is to purify and prepare the church: preaching that saves, sanctifies, and keeps the believer walking in victory. True apostolic preaching reveals and removes spot and blemish by calling believers to ongoing repentance, renewal, and obedience, and it calls them to receive the Holy Ghost and fire with the evidence of speaking in tongues as their sign of adoption and covenant identity.

Safeguards and Testing

- **Scripture-Tested:** All words and prophecies must align with Scripture; the Holy Ghost and fire will not contradict the Bible.
- **Leader-Corroboation:** Prophetic words should be brief, edifying, and corroborated by elder leadership when needed.

- No Coercion: Genuine conviction produces voluntary response, not manipulation.
- Care for Strugglers: Provide patient teaching, counseling, and mentoring for those who wrestle with doctrine or evidence.
- Order: Maintain order in services (1 Corinthians 14) while allowing the Spirit's freedom.

A Model Seed Sermon (Outline)

- Text: Acts 2:36-38
- Seed line: "Turn to Jesus — repent, be baptized in His name, and receive the Holy Ghost and fire with the evidence of speaking in tongues."
- Brief exposition: One or two sentences per step explaining repentance, baptism, and the promise of the Spirit and fire as the believer's sign of sonship.
- Spirit-filled appeal: Invite responders to come forward for prayer, instruction for baptism, or to receive the Holy Ghost and fire with tongues.
- Expectant ministry: Lay hands, pray for tongues, and receive testimonies as confirmation.

A Short Release Prayer

Lord Jesus, You are God manifested in the flesh. Send now Your Holy Spirit and fire; anoint Your servant to speak Your living word. Plant the seed You give

into tender hearts. Convict, convert, baptize in Jesus' name, and fill with the Holy Ghost and fire with the evidence of speaking in tongues. Confirm Your blood covenant with the witness of tongues, sealing us as sons and daughters—children of adoption and heirs of Your kingdom. Purify Your Bride and equip Your workers to preach with the authority of heaven. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Conclusion

The Divine Oracle is not entertainment, politics, or mere tradition. It is the spoken seed of heaven — concise, apostolic, Christ-exalting words released in the power of the Holy Ghost and fire. These words save, sanctify, and empower. Fivefold ministers who pray, fast, and seek a word from the Lord preach with authority because they are sent to equip and purify the Bride, not to please men. They call the church to embrace the Holy Ghost and fire with the evidence of speaking in tongues as the blood-witness of sonship and the birthright sign of being born of the Spirit and commissioned as blood-covenant believers. They stand for Bible holiness within and without, for separation from the world where required, and for ethical respect of local church leadership and standards. They uphold the apostolic Oneness doctrine and Acts 2:38 as central to apostolic Pentecostal identity.