

The Story: New Beginnings

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¹ In my former book, *Theophilus*, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach ² until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. ³ After his suffering, he presented himself to them and **gave many convincing proofs that he was alive**. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. Acts 1:1-3, NIV

Jesus' work of paying for sin was _____.
It was time for the _____ to take center stage.

¹⁷ "In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. ¹⁸ Even on my servants, both men and women, **I will pour out my Spirit** in those days, and they will prophesy ¹⁹ **I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke.** Acts 2:17-19, NIV

God poured out his Holy Spirit and sent _____ that would lead people to _____.

¹ When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ² Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³ They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. Acts 2:1-4, NIV

At _____ God sent _____ to his Church.
_____ was a sign of how the Spirit works.
_____ - Red means _____ !!!!!
_____ - Take the message to the world.

⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer... ⁴⁷ praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord

added to their number daily those who were being saved. Acts 2:42, 47.

¹ And Saul approved of their killing him. On that day a great **persecution broke** out against the church in Jerusalem, and all except the apostles were scattered throughout Judea and Samaria. Acts 8:1, NIV

_____ was a sign that the Holy Spirit was with them.
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¹ Meanwhile, Saul was still breathing out murderous threats against the Lord's disciples... ³ As he neared Damascus on his journey, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. ⁴ He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" Acts 9:1,3-4, NIV

⁸ Saul got up from the ground, but when he opened his eyes he **could see nothing**. So they led him by the hand into Damascus. ⁹ For three days he was blind, and did not eat or drink anything. Acts 9:8-9, NIV

¹⁵ But the Lord said to Ananias, "Go! This man is my chosen instrument to **proclaim my name to the Gentiles** and their kings and to the people of Israel. ¹⁶ I will show him how much **he must suffer for my name**." Acts 9:15-16, NIV

_____ (great one) would change his name to _____ (little one) and be a major part of God's team.

⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8, NIV

The Holy Spirit takes us _____ for Christ.

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Bottom line: At Pentecost the Holy Spirit sent me a sign. He points me to Jesus and takes me Beyond Borders.

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