

***Pentecost Continues…***

1. **Pentecost:** The Holy Spirit came so that we would have power over sin. Pentecost is God’s gift of encouragement to the Church.
2. **The 21st century Church** is in an inward Pandemic of despair. Only the ministry of the Holy Spirit and encouragement can save it.

**Acts 9:21-30**

***How to be an Encourager***

1. **V:25 His followers** helped him.
2. **V:27 Who do you** help see a godly focus? When you help others, you are in the atmosphere of encouragement.
3. **V:27-30 An encourager will** come and get you and speak good on your behalf.

**Acts 9:31**

***A Time of Peace***

1. **Peace is not** the absence of conflict. It’s the celebration of God’s power within a turmoil.
2. **Two ingredients:** 1st Living in the fear of the Lord. 2nd encouraged by the Holy Spirit.
3. **How does** the Holy Spirit encourage?
4. John 14:26 **Encourages us** and reminds us what Jesus has said.
5. John 16:7-8 **Keeps me** from sin and deception this encourages me.
6. John 16:13-15 **Guides me** into all truth and reveals what is to come. This anchors me in encouragement.
7. Ephesians 1:13 **Seals me** in the Spirit as an eternal encouragement of God’s goodness and acceptance of me.
8. Galatians 5:22-25 **Bears fruit in my life** as evidence of His power & encouragement in my life.

**Acts 9:32-41**

***Get Up! Is its Message***

1. **V:33-34 Jesus Christ heals, so** Peter commands Aeneas to Get Up!
2. We don’t even know if Aeneas is a believer.
3. We do know eight years is a longtime and our World needs to know our God is Omnipotent!
4. The “Get Up,” message changed two towns Lydda and Sharon
5. **V:35-37** Tabitha an encourager gets sick and dies.
6. **V:38-40** Peter got down on his knees and prayed. Then gives the command Get Up.
7. Matthew 9:18-26 A Ruler’s little girl died, and He asked Jesus to come and put your hand on her and she will live.
8. V:25 Jesus sends all the mourners out of the room, just as Peter did with Tabitha. Then Peter gets down a prays and tells her to get up.

**Acts 9:42**

***Encouragement***

1. **Is need everywhere!**
2. **The source** is the Holy Spirit and believers that are united in the faith with the Spirit.
3. **Discouragement** is more dangerous than the plague.
4. **Encouragement** is a choice! It’s also a ministry.