

A dramatic background image of a wildfire with bright orange and yellow flames rising from dark, charred trees and rocks. The sky is a deep, dark blue, suggesting a night or dusk setting. The overall mood is intense and powerful.

WILDFIRE

A PEOPLE SET ABLAZE FOR CHRIST

WEEK 2: PRESENCE BEFORE PENTECOST

MAIN IDEA

Intimacy with God precedes the outpouring of God.

Scripture: ACTS 1 & 2

SUMMARY

The outpouring of the Holy Spirit in Acts 2 is appealing. Two thousand years of spiritual movements have been looking for the same thing: more of God in a supernatural way. Some historical traditions have attempted to re-manufacture this, others pray fervently for it, but the outpouring of God doesn't happen by accident.

Before the chaos of Acts 2 happens, the Apostles had spent 40 days with the resurrected King and spent another 10 days in prayerful expectation of what He would leave in His wake. The people of God had helped prepare the way of God through their discipline and obedience. Acts Chapter 1 always comes before Acts Chapter 2.

There's an immediate truth in this for the church: **presence before Pentecost.**

Want to see a mighty work of God? Intimacy with God always precedes the outpouring of God.