

What is a
Charismatic Church?
or
“Why We Do What We Do”

Holy Spirit Series Pt 7

Act 2:1-4 ESV When the day of **Pentecost** arrived, they were all together in one place. 2 And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. 3 And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. 4 And they were all **filled with the Holy Spirit** and began to **speak in other tongues** as the Spirit gave them utterance.

Acts 1:8 ESV But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Restoration of the Church

- Martin Luther 1517 - Salvation by Faith
- Anabaptists 1520's - Believers Baptism by Immersion
- Azusa Street 1906 - Baptism in the Holy Spirit with speaking in tongues

1st Wave - Pentecostal Movement

- 1906 Azusa - Holy Spirit poured out upon 7 people
- Rejected by their churches (formed NEW denominations)
- 7 people 118 years ago, **TODAY 279 million**

2nd Wave - Charismatic Movement

- 1960 Dennis Bennett, Episcopal Priest
- Charismatic Movement embraced by denominations (Episcopalian, Lutheran, Anglican, Methodist, Presbyterian)
- 1 man 64 years ago **TODAY 305 million**

2nd Wave - Charismatic Movement

- Even the Catholic Church embraced it
- 1967 Duquesne University weekend retreat a handful of students were baptized in the Holy Spirit and spoke in tongues
- a few kids 46 years ago **by 2013 - 160 million**

3rd Wave - New Charismatic Movement

- Independent and non-denominational evangelicals embrace the gifts of the Spirit
- 3rd Wave not a denomination, more like churches that are part of a movement or stream (think Calvary Chapel, or The Vineyard)
- began 44 years ago **TODAY - 295 million**

1st Wave = 279,000,000

2nd Wave = 305,000,000

Catholic = 160,000,000

3rd Wave = 295,000,000

Average 24,000 people per day
for the past 118 years

A Future Wave?

Perhaps unreached people groups that are coming to the Lord by the thousands and the cessationist missionaries who are experiencing the miraculous even when it is against their theology

Risks

→ Accessibility

→ Lack of Accountability

→ Hero Worship

How Can a Church Maintain Biblical Integrity While Being Full of the Spirit and Power?

Study the Word

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Use Wisdom and Discernment

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Remember people are emotional and impressionable

Most of All

Joh 16:13-14 ESV When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. 14 He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you.