

A TIME FOR ACTION - Kahu Billy Mitchell May 28, 2023

The greatest action that we can encounter is to be “lokahi” i ka “pule ame ka ‘olelo o ke Akua!” from that the Holy Spirit will tell us what to do, when to do it, where and how to do it! Keep the faith!

BEFORE ANY GREAT ACTIONS: JESUS!”

The Day of Pentacost ACTS 2:1-4 NIV ¹ When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. [Accord] 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.

Jesus is sent by the Father ACTS 2:22-24 NIV ²² “Fellow Israelites, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know. ²³ This man was handed over to you by God’s deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men,²⁴ put him to death by nailing him to the cross. ²⁴ But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him.

Jesus the Messiah ACTS 2:36-41 NIV ³⁶ “Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah.”³⁷ When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?”³⁸ Peter replied, “**Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.**”³⁹ The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”⁴⁰ With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” ⁴¹ Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

NOTES FROM MATTHEW HENRY Acts 2:1-4

We cannot forget how often, while Jesus was with them, there was strife among the disciples, which could have caused much division; but now all the strife had ended. **They were praying together!** To have have the Holy Spirit poured upon us, **let us also be of one accord.** And notwithstanding differences of sentiments and interests, as there were among those disciples, **let us agree to love one another;** for where brethren dwell together in unity, there the Lord commands his blessing. A rushing mighty wind came with great force. This was to signify the powerful influences and working of the Holy Spirit of God upon the minds of men, and therefore, upon the world. Thus the convictions of the Holy Spirit make way for his comforts; and the rough blasts of that blessed wind, prepares the soul for its soft and gentle gales. There was an appearance of something like flaming fire, lighting on every one of them. According to John [the] Baptist’s saying concerning Christ Jesus; “He shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with fire!” **The Holy Spirit**, like fire, melts the heart, burns up the dross, and kindles pious and devout affections in the soul; in which, as in the fire on the altar, the spiritual sacrifices are offered up. They were all filled with the Holy Ghost, more than ever before. They were filled with the grace of the Holy Spirit, and more than ever under his sanctifying influences; more weaned from this world, and better acquainted with God’s Kingdom. They were more filled with the comforts of the Holy Spirit. They rejoiced more than ever in the love of Christ and the hope of heaven. All their griefs and fears were swallowed up! They were filled with the **gifts of the Holy Ghost.** They had miraculous powers for the furtherance of the gospel. They spoke, not from previous thought or meditation, but as the Holy Spirit gave them utterance. [Extemporaneously]

“GOOD THINGS ARE HAPPENING IN OUR CHURCH!”

“THE HOLY SPIRIT HAS FALLEN ON SOME OF OUR CHILDREN!”

IN CONCLUSION: “All this I have spoken while still with you. ²⁶ But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you. ²⁷ Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

JOHN 14:25-27 NIV

“AMENE AND AMENE”