

# The Baptism of the Holy Spirit and Second Blessing Theology



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## A. The Purpose of Acts

## Luke 24:46-47

Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead,

又对他们说：照经上所写的，基督必受害，第三日从死里复活，

and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem.

并且人要奉他的名传悔改、赦罪的道，从耶路撒冷起直传到万邦。

## Luke 24:48-49

You are witnesses of these things.  
你们就是这些事的见证。

And behold, I am sending the promise of my  
Father upon you. But stay in the city until you  
are clothed with power from on high.

我要将我父所应许的降在你们身上，你们  
要在城里等候，直到你们领受从上头来的  
能力。

# Watershed Events

- ◆ **Incarnation**
- ◆ **Death of Christ**
- ◆ **His resurrection**
- ◆ **His ascension**
- ◆ **His pouring out of the Spirit**

## Acts 2:32

This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses.

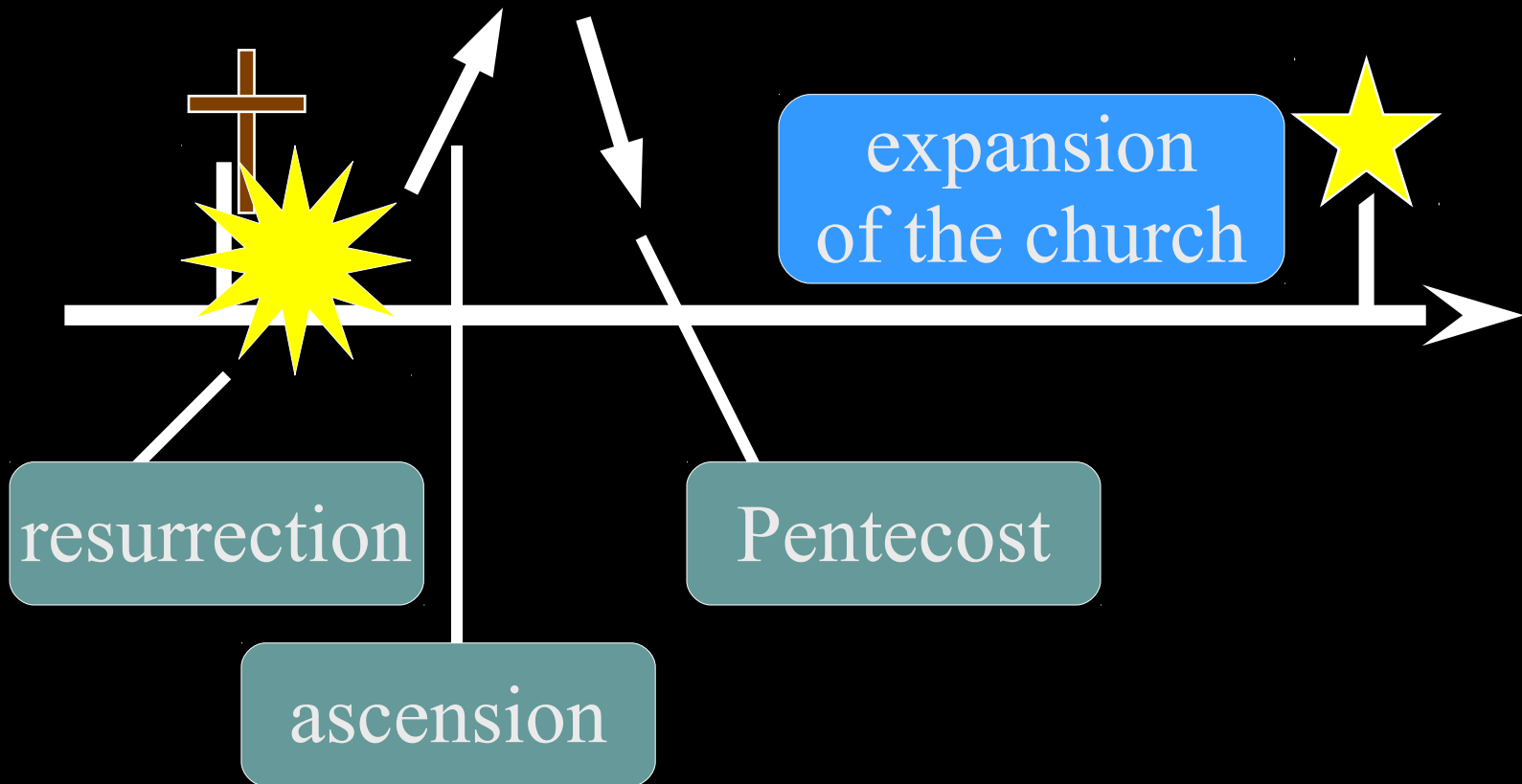
这耶稣，神已经叫他复活了，我们都为这事作见证。

## Acts 2:33

Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing.

他既被 神的右手高举（或作：他既高举在 神的右边），又从父受了所应许的圣灵，就把你们所看见所听见的，浇灌下来。

# Focal Events





## B. Central Issue

# Two Interpretations

- ◆ **Transition in the history of redemption**
- ◆ **Or**
- ◆ **Individual change as model for all**
  - **Two stage Christian living**

# Two Views of Christian Life

One Step

conversion

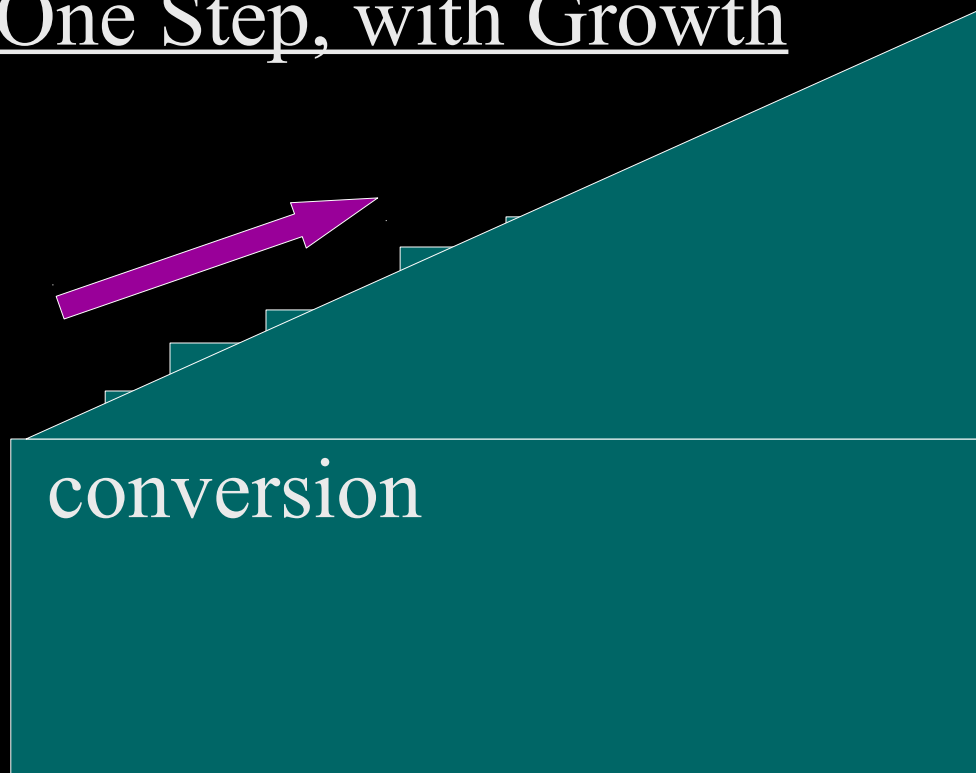
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second  
blessing

# Gradual Sanctification

One Step, with Growth



# Key Texts

- ◆ Gal. 3:1-5
- ◆ Col. 2:6-3:4
- ◆ 1 Cor. 12:12-31
- ◆ Eph. 1:3-23; 2:6; 3:14-21

fullness  
in Christ

# C. Pastoral Evaluation

# Positive and Negative Aspects

- ◆ **Genuine works of the Spirit**
- ◆ **Rooted in Pentecost**
- ◆ **Acts forms foundation for present**
- ◆ **And counterfeits**
- ◆ **Not another Pentecost**
- ◆ **Not fixed pattern**

# Negative Aspects of the Theology

- ◆ Misses uniqueness of Acts
- ◆ Misunderstands Christ
- ◆ Two-Level Christianity
- ◆ Undermines unity, 1 Cor. 12



# D. Baptism of the Holy Spirit

# Error of Two Baptisms

- ◆ **One baptism by Spirit into body (church)**
- ◆ **1 Cor. 12:13**
- ◆ **Two: baptism by Jesus in the Spirit**
- ◆ **Matt. 3:11**

# But One Terminology

For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body— Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

我们不拘是犹太人，是希腊人，是为奴的，是自主的，都从一位圣灵受洗，成了一个身体，饮于一位圣灵。

# E. Progressive Experience

# Application of Redemption

Once <u>Accomplished</u>	Once <u>Applied</u>	Daily <u>Applied</u>
◆ Sin atoned for	pardon	forgiveness
◆ Death of Christ	baptism	dying daily
◆ Resurrection	baptism	renewed
◆ Reign of Christ	seated	ruling
◆ Giving Spirit	sealed	made holy
◆	gifted	gifted
◆	power	empowered

# Additional Principles

- ◆ **Romans 6 and indicative basis**
- ◆ **Ezekiel 34 and variety in healing**
- ◆ **Acts as focused on external expansion**

# Speaking in Tongues

- ◆ **In Acts 2, reversal of Babel**
- ◆ **Gospel to all nations**
- ◆ **A change in epoch**
- ◆ **Prophecy in other languages**

## Acts 2:17

“And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophecy,

神说：在末后的日子，我要将我的灵浇灌凡有血气的。你们的儿女要说预言；