

Pentecost: A Revival

Acts 2: 1-4

He Created Light

Genesis 1:3-4 He Created light on the first day out of darkness. So the motif of Elohim might be “light out of darkness” or “light verses darkness.”

Light is always present in our world. Verse 16 informs us that the light “governs” the night and day.

He created man in light

- **Genesis 2:26-27 says Elohim created mankind in His image and likeness.**
- **1 John 1:5 says, "God is light, and in Him there is no darkness at all."**
- **1 Timothy 6:16 says, God "dwells in unapproachable light whom no man has seen or can see."**

He created man for fellowship

- **Genesis 3:8a says Elohim was walking in the Garden. Why? To fellowship with the man He had created.**

He created man for godliness

- **Genesis 4:25.** The name Seth means “appointed.” So Elohim appointed Seth to be the replacement for Abel and to replace the way of Cain.
- **Genesis 4:26.** Seth begot Enosh, meaning “mortal man.” This name implies Adam and Eve now knew they were dependent on Elohim for life.
- **Genesis 6:9** we see righteous Noah, whose name means “rest.”

He calls man out of the dark world

- **Genesis 12:1. Abram left a dark Babylon for Elohim's call to God's country. He left behind his larger family and his idols to live in a country of a living God.**

He calls a nation to be a “light to the nations.”

- **Isaiah 42:6-7. The prophet repeats why Israel was called and why.**

He calls His Son to bring light to our darkened, sinful world.

- **John 1:1-5, 9. The apostle John reveals why Jesus came to the world; to be the light we stood in need of. And He tabernacled with humanity for 3 ½ years.**
- **Then He returns to Heaven and sends a replacement.**

He sends the Holy Spirit.

- **Acts 2:1-4. The first time the Holy Spirit appears, it is as of “tongues of fire!” What does fire bring to a dark place? Light.**
- **Adam was a flickering light, the godly lineage and Israel was only a flickering light, but Jesus brought the light to the nations and the Spirit keeps that light burning and spreading.**
- **I see Pentecost as a huge revival of that flickering light because 3,000 people were saved that day!**
- **Revivals seem to be pop-up events ever since Pentecost.**

What brings revival?

- **2 Chronicles 7:14. When people get tired of their sinful, bland Christian lives, and actually do what this verse says, then and only then can revival become a reality.**
- **Question. Are you tired of your bland, sinful Christian life?**
- **What must you do to revive your soul?**
- **Humble yourself, pray, seek forgiveness, and turn from your evil ways to your Savior who can revive your soul and pull you into His full light of life!**
- **Then you have REVIVAL! You have your day of Pentecost!**