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## "YOUR BREAKING POINT CAN BE YOUR TURNING POINT"

**Breaking point -** the time when a person can no longer accept or deal with a situation because of too much pressure or stress.

- · When you can't, God can.
- · When no one else can help, God can.

### RECEIVING HEAVEN'S HELP.

## The Holy Spirit Comes

<sup>1</sup> On the day of Pentecost all the believers were meeting together in one place. <sup>2</sup> Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup> Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. <sup>4</sup> And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability. <sup>5</sup> At that time there were devout Jews from every nation living in Jerusalem. <sup>6</sup> When they heard the loud noise, everyone came running, and they were bewildered to hear their own languages being spoken by the believers. **Acts 2:1-6 NLT** 

# FIRE WAS A SYMBOL OF GOD'S POWER AND PRESENCE. • Moses encountered God at a burning bush.

- God led the Israelites by a pillar of fire.
- God's presence on Mount Sinai was fire.

### Peter Preaches to the Crowd

<sup>14</sup> Then Peter stepped forward with the eleven other apostles and shouted to the crowd, "Listen carefully, all of you, fellow Jews and residents of Jerusalem! Make no mistake about this. <sup>15</sup> These people are not drunk, as some of you are assuming. Nine o'clock in the morning is much too early for that. <sup>16</sup> No, what you

see was predicted long ago by the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup> 'In the last days,' God says, 'I will pour out my Spirit upon all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy.

Your young men will see visions, and your old men will dream dreams. <sup>18</sup> In those days I will pour out my Spirit even on my servants—men and women alike—and they will prophesy. <sup>19</sup> And I will cause wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below—blood and fire and clouds of smoke. <sup>20</sup> The sun will become dark, and the moon will turn blood red before that great and glorious day of the Lord arrives. <sup>21</sup> But everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. <sup>22</sup> "People of Israel, listen! God publicly endorsed Jesus the Nazarene by doing powerful miracles, wonders, and signs through him, as you well know. <sup>23</sup> But God knew what would happen, and his prearranged plan was carried out when Jesus was betrayed. With the help of lawless Gentiles, you nailed him to a cross and killed him. <sup>24</sup> But God released him from the horrors of death and raised him back to life, for death could not keep him in its grip." Acts 2:14-24 NLT

<sup>32</sup> "God raised Jesus from the dead, and we are all witnesses of this. <sup>33</sup> Now he is exalted to the place of highest honor in heaven, at God's right hand. And the Father, as he had promised, gave him the Holy Spirit to pour out upon us, just as you see and hear today. <sup>34</sup> For David himself never ascended into heaven, yet he said, 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit in the place of honor at my right hand <sup>35</sup> until I humble your enemies, making them a footstool under your feet." <sup>36</sup> "So let everyone in Israel know for certain that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, to be both Lord and Messiah!" <sup>37</sup> Peter's words pierced their hearts, and they said to him and to the other apostles, "Brothers, what should we do?" <sup>38</sup> Peter replied, "Each of you must repent of your sins and turn to God, and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. Then you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup> This promise is to you, to your children, and to those far away—all who have been called by the Lord our God." **Acts** 2:32-39 NLT

#### REPENTANCE IS A TURNING POINT.

- Repentance is a <u>change of heart</u>.
- · Repentance is a change of mind.
- Repentance is a change of direction.

## Next step for me today...

· To repent and turn to God.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> The sacrifice you desire is a broken spirit. You will not reject a broken and repentant heart, O God. **Psalm 51:17 NLT** 

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Then Jesus said, "Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. <sup>29</sup> Take my yoke upon you. Let me teach you, because I am humble and gentle at heart, and you will find rest for your souls. <sup>30</sup> For my yoke is easy to bear, and the burden I give you is light." Matthew 11:28-30 NLT