

The Outpouring of the Holy Spirit

“Timing is Everything”

The advent of the Holy Spirit marked the end of OT shadows and the beginning of NT substance. This is intimated even in the timing of the event.

Pentecost was an annual OT festival connected to the season of harvest. Observe the typology of Leviticus 23:

OT Type	NT Antitype
The Passover (vs. 5)	Jesus as Substitute (1 Cor. 5:7)
Unleavened Bread (vs. 6)	Jesus as Sinless (1 Cor. 5:7)
Wave Sheaf (vv. 10-11)	Jesus as First-fruits (1 Cor. 15:23)
Seven Sabbaths (vs. 15)	Preparation & Testing (Acts 1:3)
Day of Pentecost (vs. 16)	Advent of the Spirit (Acts 2:1-2)
First Wave Loaf (vs. 17)	Jewish Harvest (Acts 2:41)
Second Wave Loaf (vs. 17)	Gentile Harvest (Acts 10:45)

The very timing of the advent of the Holy Spirit illustrates the true nature of it: Jesus’ great harvest of souls has begun.