

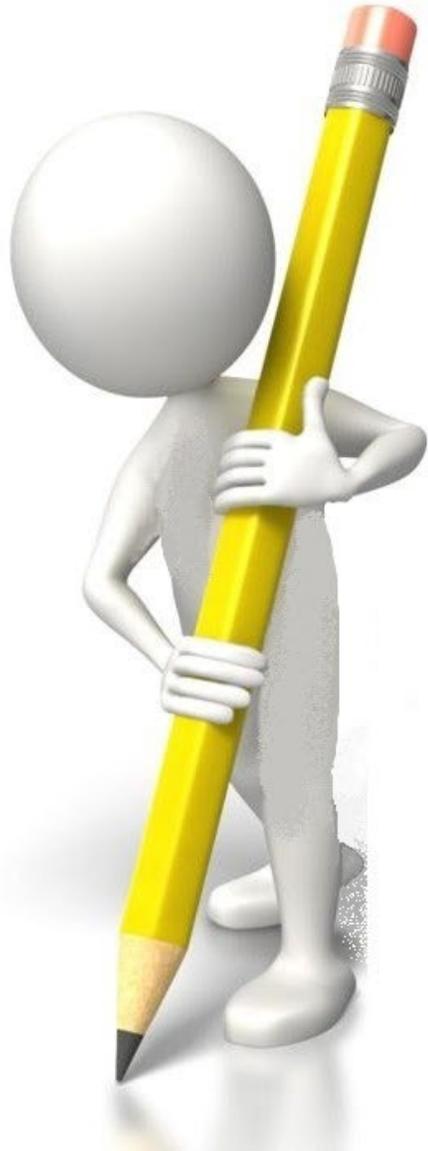


The *Promises* of God

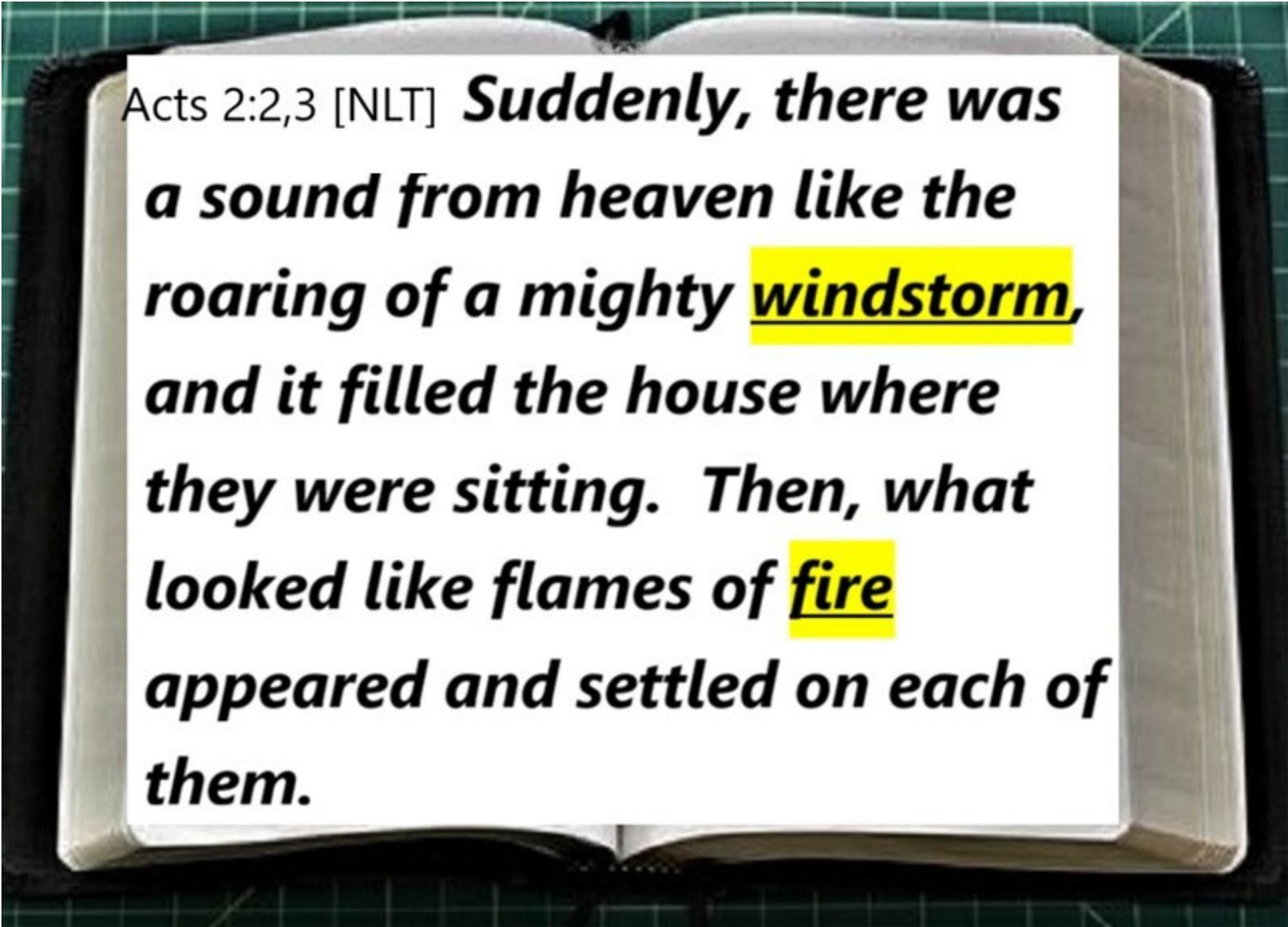
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An open book with a white page containing text. The text is in a bold, italicized font. The word "promised" is highlighted in yellow and underlined. The text reads: "Luke 24:49 [NLT] ***“And now I will send the Holy Spirit, just as my Father promised. [S]tay here in the city until the Holy Spirit comes and fills you with power from heaven.”***"

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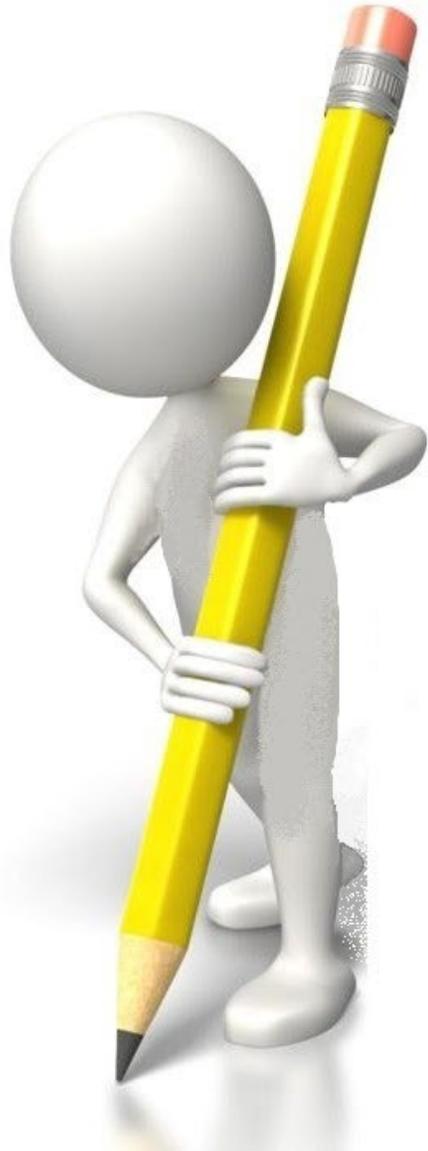
WHO is the promised Holy Spirit? The Holy Spirit is the personal presence of God in the lives of believers.

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Acts 2:2,3 [NLT] ***Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting. Then, what looked like flames of fire appeared and settled on each of them.***

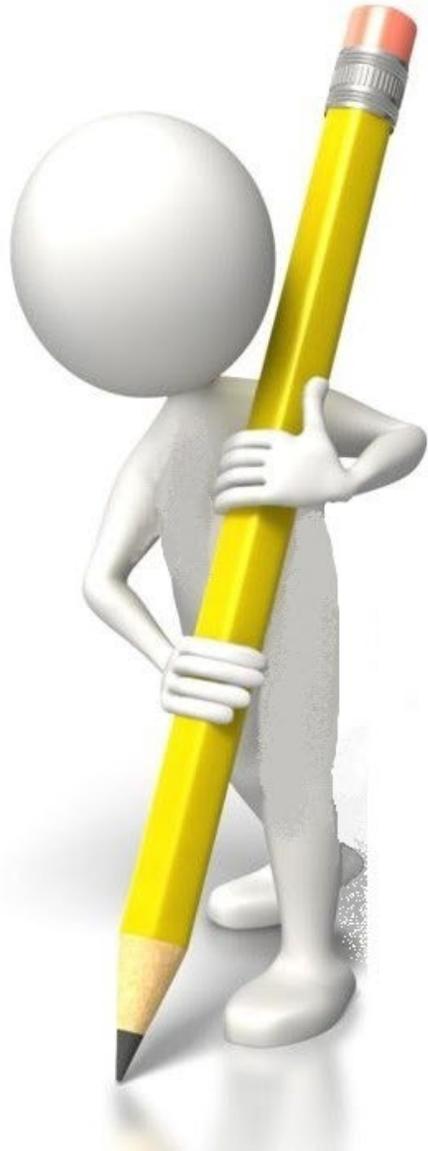
Acts 2:16-18 [NLT]

*[W]hat you see was predicted long ago by the prophet Joel: **'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. In those days I will pour out my Spirit even on my servants—men and women alike— and they will prophesy.*



I am a **mansion**
for the Holy
Spirit.

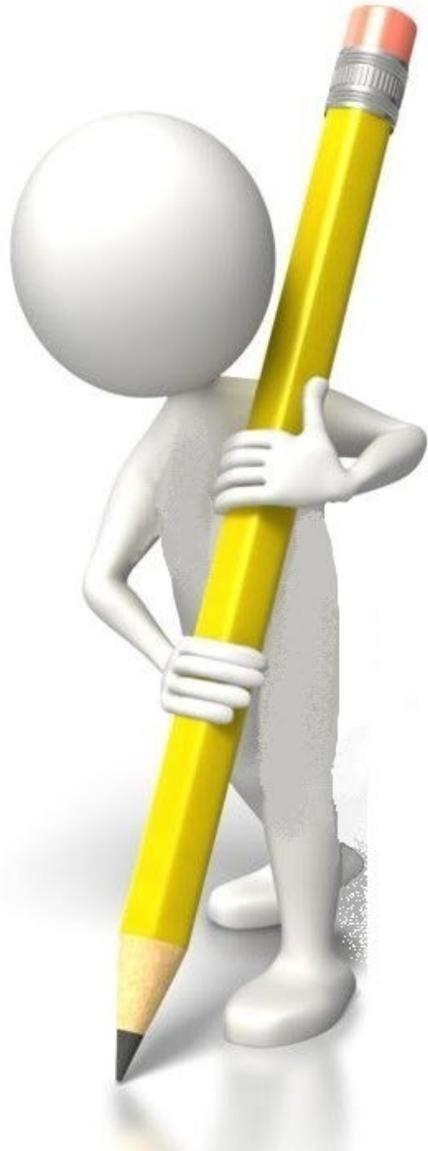
(John 14:2 & 23)



Prophecy = Holy Spirit inspired guidance, encouragement, call to repentance.

Dreams = messages inspired by the Holy Spirit while sleeping.

Visions = gazing by the Holy Spirit at an inspired revelation



WHY?

To guide us into truth.

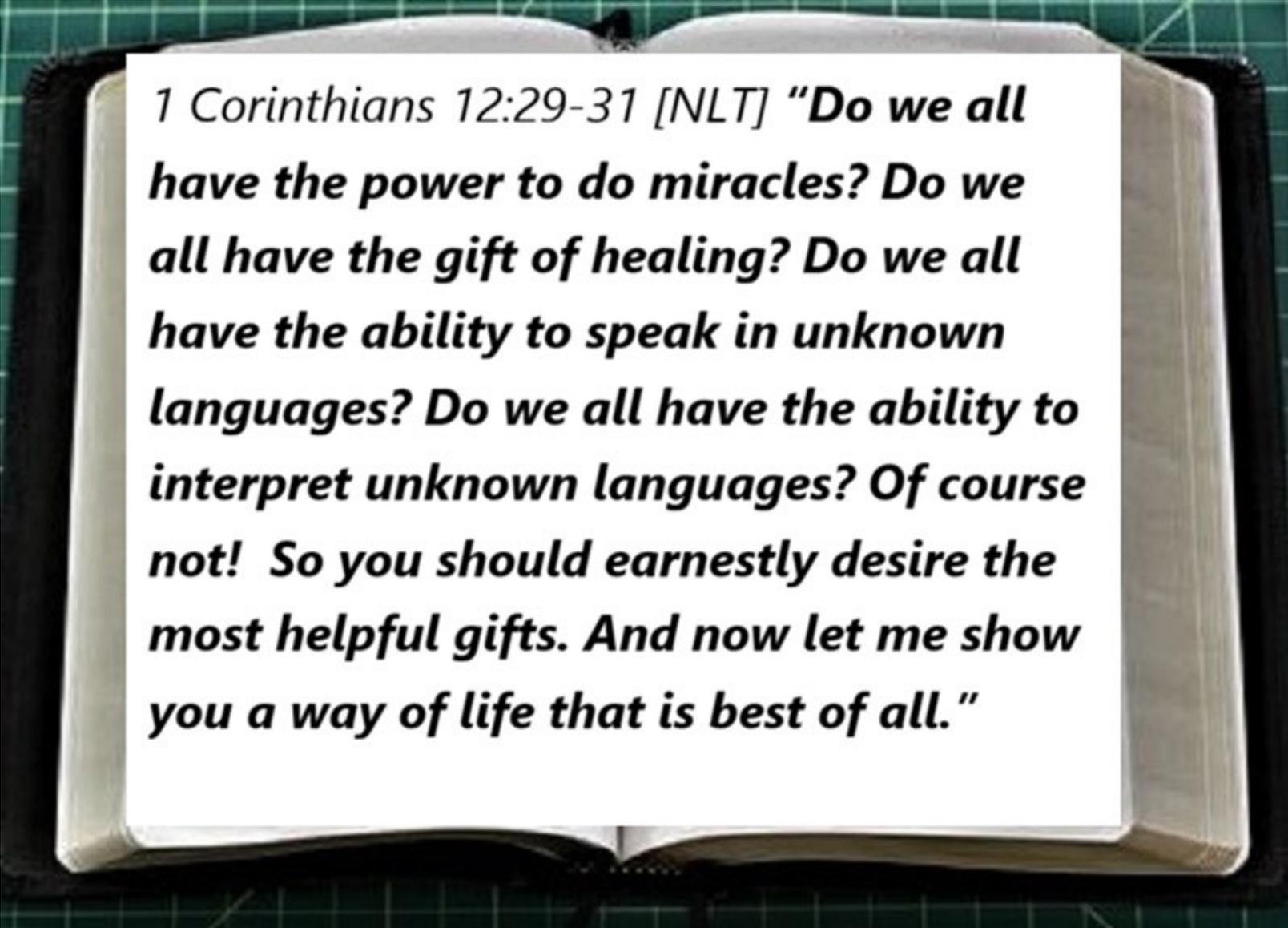
To comfort us in our troubles.

To give us the power to witness.

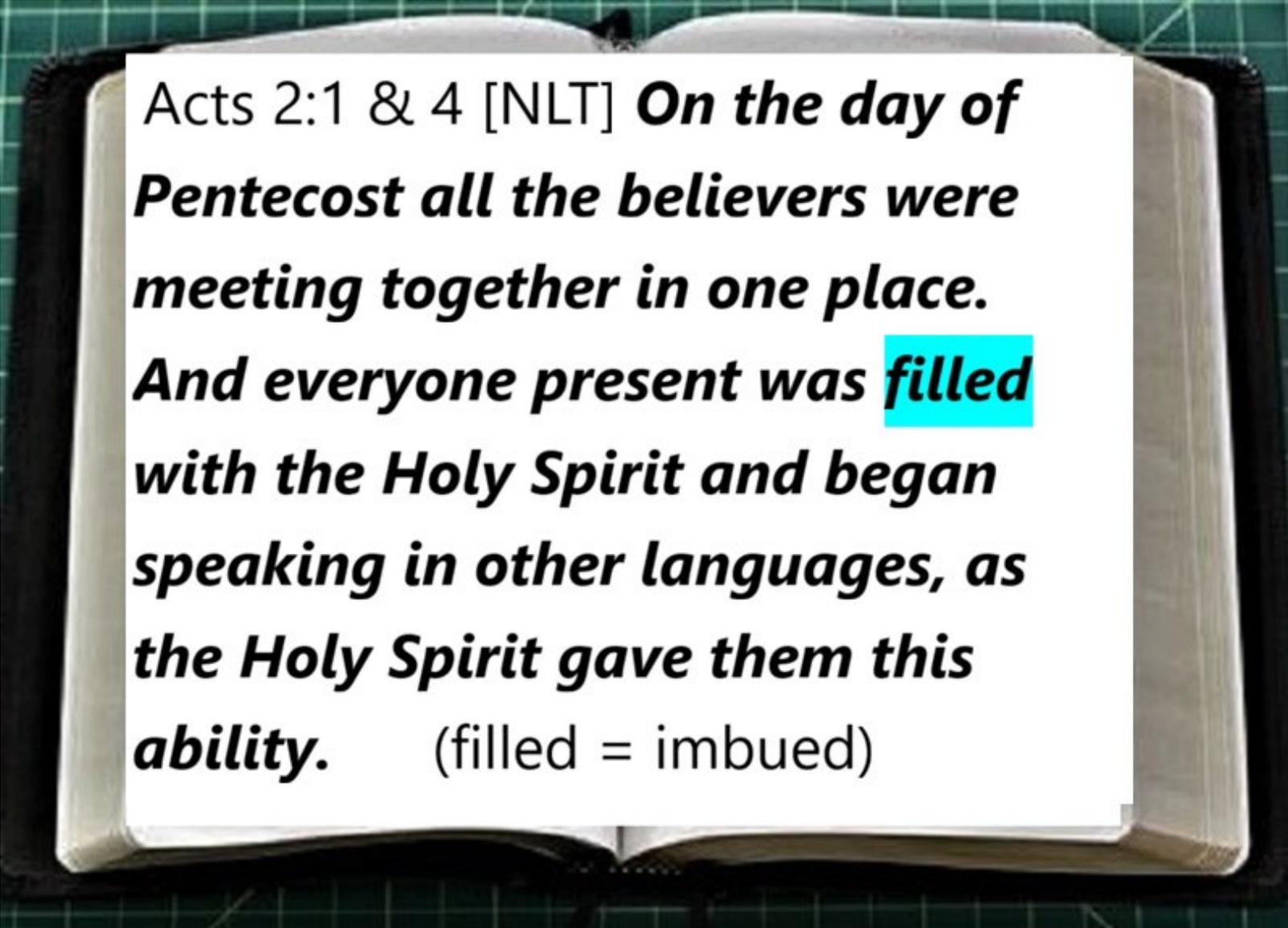
Ability to produce fruit.

To bestow various gifts.

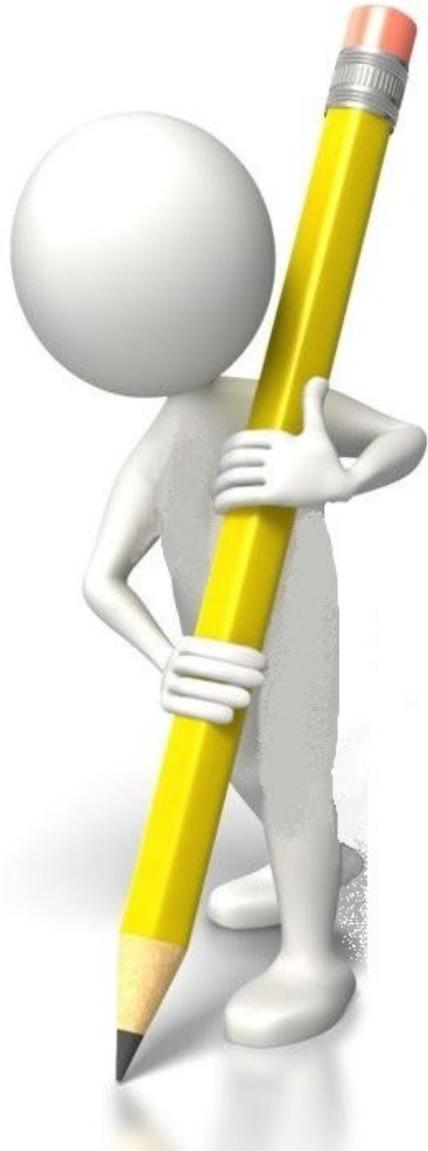
(See John 16:7-9,13, Acts 9:31, Acts 1:8,
Galatians 5:22,23 & 1 Corinthians 12:8-11)

An open book with a white text overlay. The book is open to two pages, and the text is centered on the right page. The background is a dark green grid pattern.

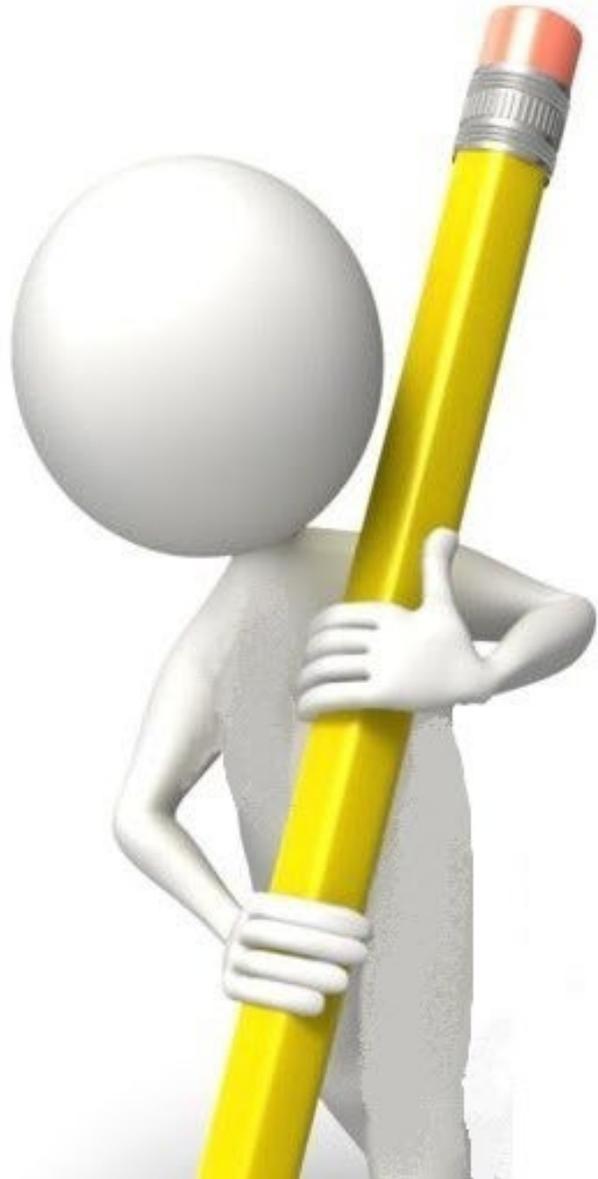
1 Corinthians 12:29-31 [NLT] "Do we all have the power to do miracles? Do we all have the gift of healing? Do we all have the ability to speak in unknown languages? Do we all have the ability to interpret unknown languages? Of course not! So you should earnestly desire the most helpful gifts. And now let me show you a way of life that is best of all."

An open book with a white cover is shown against a dark green background with a white grid pattern. The book is open, and the pages are white. Overlaid on the pages is a white rectangular box containing text. The text is in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The word "filled" is highlighted with a light blue background. The text reads: "Acts 2:1 & 4 [NLT] **On the day of Pentecost all the believers were meeting together in one place. And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability.** (filled = imbued)"

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The Holy Spirit had their **undivided attention** & they were **actively** ready to receive.



Step 11: We sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.



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- **Hands to actively receive – breathe.**
- **Close your eyes - breathe.**
- **The Holy Spirit is like breath - breathe intentionally.**
- **Feel your heart soften – breathe.**
- **Jesus is doing CPR on you – breathe.**
- **Focus on Jesus – breathe.**
- **Welcome Holy Spirit!**
- **Listen for knowledge, wisdom & revelation and breathe.**