

THE APPEARANCE



Ephesians 2:20-22

Ephesians 4:11-16

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ABILITIES AND
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CALLINGS OF
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“THE DOUBLE PORTION OUTPOURING (PART III)”

In this issue we are going to continue to look at the Azusa Street Revival to help us **prepare for the coming Double Portion Rains** starting to take place. The Lord has shown me and many of His servants now and in times past, that **a mighty outpouring of His Spirit would take place in the end of times in this nation.** This outpouring would be characterized by many miracles, signs and wonders taking place, as well as a massive harvest of souls taking place in the whole world.

When we look at history, we see that the **services in Azusa were spontaneous, with no pre-announced events, singers, special choirs, or well known speakers.** There was not even a platform. Seymour, the spiritual leader of the house, spent much of the time behind the pulpit praying with his head stuck inside a shoe box.

Prayer and supplication was the chief element of the services as the people were consumed by it. During services spontaneous *short (few words)* testimonies and words of exhortation were given by people as the Holy Spirit would fall on them, and people would drop to the floor all over the house. But according to Frank Bartleman, **the most prominent feature was the presence of God's love in the service.**

Many of the visitors to the Apostolic Mission in Azusa had dramatic spiritual experiences like they had never known before, as they were laid under the power of the Holy Spirit. People would get up from that condition feeling clean as if they had been run through a washing machine. Some would begin to shake and tremble violently under the power of the Spirit; others would start to

speak in tongues and others would laugh with joy well into the night.

Thousands of people who visited from other Christian denominations had similar experiences as they spoke in tongues, wept, laughed and shook under the power of God. They went back home to their churches with an empowerment and fresh zeal to preach the gospel to the lost and reach their city for God.

Although Azusa became known for the signs and wonders and many manifestations of the Spirit, **the people kept their eyes on Jesus. He was the central focus of everything that was happening there.** The leader of the house endeavored to keep Jesus as the central figure before the people throughout the revival. Whenever someone would be sidetracked and start looking for tongues or some other manifestation, Seymour would kindly remind the person to instead seek Jesus.

I believe this is one of the reasons why many of the so called modern revivals did not have the impact of Azusa. During the revivals of the 90's the people started to look for all kinds of different manifestations, instead of keeping their eyes focused on Jesus Christ. Others started to try to please their particular denomination, or simply allowed the flesh to get in the way. The leader of the house failed to bring divine order to the services, and as a result the revival ended.

Spiritual leaders need to learn from history so as not to repeat the same mistakes. In the coming Apostolic Reformation, apostolic houses will not only be able to have a visitation from God but will also have His habitation in their midst.