The single, **Here I Am to Worship**from the album "Immersed by Josh Blakesley

Pentecost:

Prayers:

- The unity of Christians!
- Conversion of sinners
- healing for those who suffer at the hands of Christians
- Forgiveness & Reconciliation for all who sin, offend God, offend man, and abuse those whom God has entrusted into their care
- A fulfillment of the mission God has entrusted to his Church... the spread of the "Good News" to make deciples of all nations
- For St. Peter & his successor Pope BXVI & his ministry as the Vicar of Christ on earth.

Acts.2

- [1] When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place.
 - 1. Pentecost!
 - Linked with Passover Lv. 23:15 -21
 - First Fruits taking the grain & offering it to God in Thanksgiving for the harvest!
 - Omer offering
 - On the MORROW after passover
 - Sunday

- Prototype of the sign of the cross
- 7 weeks 50 days
 - The Sabbaths of Sabbaths!
- Wave offerings
 - wheat
 - wine
 - 2 leavened breads
 - lambs
- 2. They were together... ONE
 - Passover & Pentecost are linked in Exodus
 - 50 days after passover... the people come to Mt. Siani.
 - Ex. 19:9
 - 1. [9] And the LORD said to Moses,
 "Lo, I am coming to you in a thick cloud,
 that the people may hear when I speak
 with you, and may also believe you for
 ever." Then Moses told the words of the
 people to the LORD.
- [2] And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.
 - 1. The Shekina Glory Cloud The Spirit of God
 - Hovered over the waters & the primordial ROCK in Gen.1:2

- Lead the Israelites out of Egypt as a pillar of cloud by day & a pillar of FIRE by night in Ex. 13:21
- Came down upon Mt. Sinai in Fire & Thunder in Ex. 19:16 Loud trumpet's people trembled!
- FILLED the Temple after the Ark was placed in the Sanctuary in Solomon's consecration in 1 Kings 8:10-11
- Encompassed Jesus, Peter, James & John on the Mt. of Transfiguration with a voice: This is my Son in **St. Luke 9:28-36**
- Takes Jesus to heaven in his Glorious accession to take his seat at the right hand of the Father in Acts
 1:9
- [3] And there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them.
 - 1. The FIRE is significant...
 - 2. We saw it in the Burning bush in Ex. 3:1 & 2
 - 3. The Pillar of Fire in Ex. 13:21
 - 4. In the cloud coming down on Sinai in Ex. 19
 - 5. The Heavenly throne & stream in **Dan. 7:9&10**
 - 6. **1 Enoch 14** describes heaven as being made of toungs of FIRE!
 - 7. God is a consuming fire! Hebrews 12:28 & 29
 - 1. [28] Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe;

- [29] for our God is a consuming fire.
- [4] And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.
 - 1. Ezekiel 36:24-27
 - Give them a NEW heart & a NEW Spirit
- [5] Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven.
 - 2. Isaiah 2:2-3
 - 3. [2] It shall come to pass in the latter days
 - 4. that the mountain of the house of the LORD
 - 5. shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
 - 6. and shall be raised above the hills;
 - 7. and all the nations shall flow to it,
 - 9. [3] and many peoples shall come, and say:
 - 10. "Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
 - 11. to the house of the God of Jacob;
 - 12. that he may teach us his ways
 - 13. and that we may walk in his paths."
 - 14. For out of Zion shall go forth the law,
 - 15. and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.
- [6] And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in

his own language.

- The sound of the Holy Spirit.. the Shekina Cloud coming down & FILLING the House much like it did when it filled the Temple in 1 Kings 8.. or in the sounds of it coming in Mt. Sinai in Ex. 19!
- [7] And they were amazed and wondered, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?
- [8] And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language?
 - 1. Isaiah 28:9-11
 - 2. [9] "Whom will he teach knowledge,
 - 3. and to whom will he explain the message?
 - 4. Those who are weaned from the milk,
 - 5. those taken from the breast?

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- 7. [10] For it is precept upon precept, precept upon precept,
- 8. line upon line, line upon line,
- 9. here a little, there a little."

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- 11. [11] Nay, but by men of strange lips
- 12. and with an alien tongue
- 13. the LORD will speak to this people,
- 14.1 Corinthians 14:21-22
- 15.[21] In the law it is written, "By men of strange tongues and by the lips of foreigners will I speak to this people, and even then they will not listen to me, says the Lord."
- 16. [22] Thus, tongues are a sign not for believers but for

unbelievers, while prophecy is not for unbelievers but for believers.

- [9] Par'thians and Medes and E'lamites and residents of Mesopota'mia, Judea and Cappado'cia, Pontus and Asia, [10] Phryg'ia and Pamphyl'ia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyre'ne, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes,
- [11] Cretans and Arabians, we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God."
 - Deuteronomy 30:1-3
 - He will call ALL his people back... from having scattered them to the 4 corners
 - They broke the covenant & warranted the curses.... He will RESTORE them again!
- [12] And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?"
- [13] But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."
- [14] But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words.
- [15] For these men are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day;
 - The 3rd hour or about 9 am!

- The Hour of the AM-E-DAA
- Jewish
- The Tamid was being offered in the Temple
 - Offering of the Lamb
 - Benedictions by Priests
 - Incense offerings
 - Music & Trumpet blasts
 - Benedictions by the men gathered at that hour to pray!
 - Praying for a return
 - Coming of the Messiah
 - Restoration of Jerusalem
 - to be assembled from the 4 corners of the earth!
 - restore judges & kingdom
 - the 12 filiars the 12 chiefs of the tribes Ex. 24
 - of the Shekina Glory Cloud to the temple
 - Bring back the worship into the Holy of Holies - the sacrifice of Isreal the return of the Spirit!
 - The Ark was NO longer in the H.H.
 - Praying for NEW Jerusalem the everlasting Jerusalem

[37] Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brethren, what shall we do?"

[38] And Peter said to them, "Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

[39] For the promise is to you and to your children and to all that are far off, every one whom the Lord our God calls to him."

[40] And he testified with many other words and exhorted them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation."

[41] So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

- Ex. 32:28
- [28] And the sons of Levi did according to the word of Moses; and there fell of the people that day about three thousand men.

The Point:

- The Jews were celebrating the feast of Pentecost that made present once again the giving of the law at Mt.
 Siani & the coming of God in the Skekina glory cloud!
- They were praying for the return of this Cloud in the 2nd Temple upon the Rock Evan Shet-ti-ya
- They got what they wanted... just not how they expected.
- God returned in the Cloud upon the NEW Rock... St. Peter & the 11.
- St. John said he would baptize with the Holy Spirit & Fire! St. Matthew 3:11-12
- Jesus confronted the Chief Priest's & the elders in **St.**

- Matthew 21:33-47 & told them he would take away their authority... their Priest hood & give to another
- [43] Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a nation producing the fruits of it."
- [45] When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they perceived that he was speaking about them.

THE KINGDOM OF GOD HAS COME UPON YOU...
HEAVEN HAS TOUCHED DOWN ON EARTH... THE
HOLY SPIRIT IN THE SHEKINA GLORY CLOUD HAS
DESCENDED UPON THE NEW ROCK, ST. PETER &
THE 11, AND THOSE WITH HEM, AND HAS BROUGHT
ABOUT THE NEW JERUSALEM.... THE NEW CHURCH!

Hebrews 12: 18 - 24

- 1. 18] For you have not come to what may be touched, a blazing fire, and darkness, and gloom, and a tempest,
- 2. [19] and the sound of a trumpet, and a voice whose words made the hearers entreat that no further messages be spoken to them.
- 3. [20] For they could not endure the order that was given, "If even a beast touches the mountain, it shall be stoned."
- 4. [21] Indeed, so terrifying was the sight that Moses said, "I tremble with fear."
- 5. [22] But you have come to Mount Zion and to the city of

- the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to innumerable angels in festal gathering,
- 6. [23] and to the assembly of the first-born who are enrolled in heaven, and to a judge who is God of all, and to the spirits of just men made perfect,
- 7. [24] and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood that speaks more graciously than the blood of Abel.