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Tongues

The Fact - ACts 2 The interpretation of the fact Did they all talk together in one new language Did they all speak a gibberish that was not any language at all Did each man speak in a different language Was it a miracle of hearing? and not of speaking Amy Semple McPherson No analogy to the speaking today Doesn't say the 300 baptized souls all began speaking in tongues Stress is upon their boldness in speaking the Word Acts 4:31 no mention of tongues no mention of tongues Acts 8 Acts 9 Saul's conversion no mention of tongues Second instance found in Acts 10 These people hadn't been baptized in the name of Christ yet Third instance-- Acts 19 In Ephesian epistle there's no mention of tongues tho is mention of the Holy Spirit Jesus' Promised the Holy Spirit in John 16:7-15 The Holy Spirit will magnify Christ No mention of speaking with tongues. Thing stressed is witnesssing in the Spirit's power Fact of tongues is stated but not stressed. Not considered vital. 1 Cor. 12-14 No mention of tongues in connection with becoming a Christian Mentioned so people won't give it an importance it doesn't deserve He exalts other things over tongues speaking Not indicate that everybody spoke in tongues Comparatively few were able to so speaking Not to seek to do it Phenomenon compared with occurrence of miracles and healings Largely things of the past It is of God or not? Dangers Tongues not to be made a test of Christianity of a person Compare with attitude toward sprinkling as mode of baptism Quotation from Isaiah 28 Foreign conqueror who comes in with a brutal language A sign of condemnation Satanic use of tonuges Meaning of the "Coming" of the Holy Spirit