

God Plan and Purpose for Spiritual Languages

My objectives today is to exploring answers to 2 major questions:

- 1) The 1st questions is “Why did the all-Wise God decide that ‘tongues’ (Spirit languages), should accompany the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on baby Church as the universal sign. (Much of the church in the West without blurting it out loud’. ‘Yeah God what were you thinking? (This is the big picture overview)”
- 2) The 2nd Question is “What are some of the main benefits to the ordinary believer in using a Spiritual Language in their everyday life?” (This is the individual overview)

I. What was God’s Big Plan

- a. On the day of Pentecost all the believers were meeting together in one place. 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 or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability. At that time there were devout Jews from every nation living in Jerusalem. When they heard the loud noise, everyone came running, and they were bewildered to hear their own languages being spoken by the believers. They were completely amazed. “How can this be?” they exclaimed. “These people are all from Galilee, and yet we hear them speaking in our own native languages! Here we are— Parthians, Medes, Elamites, people from Mesopotamia, Judea, Cappadocia, Pontus, the province of Asia, Phrygia, Pamphylia, Egypt, and the areas of Libya around Cyrene, visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism), Cretans, and Arabs. And we all hear these people speaking in our own languages about the wonderful things God has done!” They stood there amazed and perplexed. “What can this mean?” they asked each other. But others in the crowd ridiculed them, saying, “They’re just drunk, that’s all!” Acts 2:1-13 NLT**

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	OLD COVENANT (New Covenant Concealed)	NEW COVENANT (Old Covenant revealed)
1.	Israelites redeemed from Egypt on the Passover.	Believers redeemed by our Passover Lamb, Jesus.
2.	God's people received a gift – the Torah	God's people received a gift – the Spirit
3.	Israelites left Egypt on the Passover	Jesus was crucified on the Passover
4.	Moses met with God on Mt Sinai 40 days after Passover.	Jesus ascended to the Father 40 days after Passover.
5.	Israel received the Law 50 days after Passover.	Believers received the Holy Spirit 50 days after Passover.
6.	3000 people died	3000 people were saved
7.	Signs: Wind, fire and voices (kolot)	Signs: Wind, fire, and voices (languages)
8.	One fire visible by all. People kept away from fire.	Fire on each person. Fire rested on the people.
9.	God's law written on tablets, externally.	God's law written on tablet of our heart.

B. ¹Now the whole world had one language and a common speech.⁶ The LORD said, “If as one people speaking the same language, they have begun to do this, then nothing they plan to do will be impossible for them. ⁷Come, let us go down and confuse their language so they will not understand each other.” ⁸So the LORD scattered them from there over all the earth, and they stopped building the city. ⁹ That is why it was called Babel—because there the LORD confused the language of the whole world. From there the LORD scattered them over the face of the whole earth. **Genesis 11:1, 6-9 (NIV)**

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	Babel	Pentecost
1.	Problem: Unified human language	Solution: Unified Spirit language
2.	God judged Mesopotamians (Babylonians).	God forgave Mesopotamians.
3.	God confused languages.	God reversed Babel and gave heavenly languages.
4.	People were divided and scattered by the confused languages.	People were brought together to hear God's message despite the language differences.
5.	Language was understood by the human intellect.	Human intellect was bypassed and language was based on God's mind.
6.	People were seeking to make a name for themselves.	Name of Jesus was exalted.
7.	People were trying to get to heaven through human effort.	Heaven came down to the people.
8.	People were talking to each other.	People were giving praise to God.
9.	Human race was divided into nations.	Nations brought into one kingdom.

II. What are the main personal benefits to a Spiritual Prayer Language?

a. Intimacy with the Lord:

²For one who speaks in a private prayer language speaks not to men but to God; for no one understands him, but he utters mysteries in the Spirit. ⁵Now I want you all to speak in a private prayer language, but even more to prophesy. The one who prophesies is greater than the one who speaks in tongues, unless someone interprets, so that the church may be built up. ¹³Therefore, one who speaks in a tongue should pray that he may interpret. ¹⁴For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays but my mind is unfruitful. ¹⁵What am I to do? I will pray with my spirit, but I will pray with my mind also; I will sing praise with my spirit, but I will sing with my mind also. ¹⁶Otherwise, if you give thanks with your spirit, how can anyone in the position of an outsider say "Amen" to your thanksgiving when he does not know what you are saying? ¹⁷For you may be giving thanks well enough, but the other person is not being built up. ¹⁸I thank

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God that I speak in tongues more than all of you. **1 Corinthians 14:2-5, 13-18**

b. Personal Development and Growth

The one who speaks in a spiritual language builds up himself.... 1 Cor 14:4A

But you, beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. Jude 20-21

For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. ²⁷ And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. ²⁸ And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. Romans 8:26-28

c. Advanced Spiritual Warfare

Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹² For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³ Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm....¹⁸praying at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication. To that end, keep alert with all perseverance, making supplication for all the saints, **Ephesian 6:18 (ESV)**