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SEND THE FIRE -booth - posted by sermonindex (), on: 2006/9/15 13:12

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Words: William Booth, 1894.

Thou Christ of burning, cleansing flame,
Send the fire, send the fire, send the fire!
Thy blood bought gift today we claim,
Send the fire, send the fire, send the fire!
Look down and see this waiting host,
Give us the promised Holy Ghost;
We want another Pentecost,
Send the fire, send the fire, send the fire!

God of Elijah, hear our cry:
Send the fire, send the fire, send the fire!
To make us fit to live or die,
Send the fire, send the fire, send the fire!
To burn up every trace of sin,
To bring the light and glory in,
The revolution now begin,
Send the fire, send the fire, send the fire!

Â'Tis fire we want, for fire we plead,
Send the fire, send the fire, send the fire!
The fire will meet our every need,
Send the fire, send the fire, send the fire!
For strength to ever do the right,
For grace to conquer in the fight,
For power to walk the world in white,
Send the fire, send the fire, send the fire!

To make our weak hearts strong and brave,
Send the fire, send the fire, send the fire!
To live a dying world to save,
Send the fire, send the fire, send the fire!
O see us on Thy altar lay
Our lives, our all, this very day;
To crown the offering now we pray,
Send the fire, send the fire, send the fire!

more info: <http://www.cyberhymnal.org/htm/s/e/sendfire.htm>

Re:, on: 2006/9/15 14:08

What do you guys think about the line:

'We want another Pentecost?'

We sometimes sing this hymn in our church, and the line quoted above annoys some people, who say that we don't need another Pentecost because the first one was sufficient and we already have the Holy Ghost.

I love this hymn though. From my perspective, in a right sense we do need another outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the form of a revival in our hearts and then onto the church.

It is such a shame to sometimes see and hear people talk about a church revival that is needed, when the fact is we haven't had one in England for many years, because we first need a revival in our own hearts.

Re: What do you think? - posted by Sandi, on: 2006/9/16 15:30

Coming from a Salvation Army background, let me try to help.

Though Pentecost itself only happened once, we can say "We need another Pentecost" in terms of our own personal lives and the life of the body of Christ known as "the church" because we need to be revived, to have our fire, our passion restored.

So when we sing this, we really are saying "God, revive us, restore to us that passion which may have dimmed in our walk and our witness."

Be blessed!