



Series: Closer Than You Think
Message: Refining Fire
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1. Presence of God's Spirit

They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit.

Acts 2:3–4a (NIV)

2. Personality of the Spirit

3. Purpose of the Spirit

Greek: Pyr (pronounced pur): purify, purgatory, pyro

...to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.

Titus 2:14 (NIV)

Do not quench the Spirit's fire (1 Thessalonians 5:19–24)

- By taking God's truth lightly
- By jumping to conclusions
- By failing to hold on to the good
- By permitting sinful attitudes and actions to go unchecked

May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify [refine] you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul, and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful and he will do it.

1 Thessalonians 5:23–24 (NIV)