

Conversion and transformation in the light of Ghanaian Pentecostals Pneumatological approach to Mission

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Abstract:

What defines Pentecostals is the experience of the Holy Spirit in transformation, radical discipleship and manifestations of the acts of power that demonstrate the presence of the kingdom of God among His people. In this view, the Holy Spirit is the power of the transition, mediation, and communication which takes place first in the life of God Himself, and then consequently in our life and our relationship with Christ Jesus. Ghanaian Pentecostals see the Holy Spirit as the mysterious third Person of the Trinity through whom God acts, reveals his will, and empowers individuals for mission. This implies that in Ghanaian Pentecostal understanding, the starting place for considering the spiritual dynamics of mission must be recognizing the role of the Holy Spirit in the conversion of the unbeliever and the transformation of believers. In this light, this paper will address the questions on Ghanaian Pentecostals understanding of Pneumatological conversion of unbelievers and the transformation of believers. This will be done by bringing to light Ghanaian Pentecostals understanding of transformation of the spirit, soul and body through the word of God – (Conversion and Discipleship), transformation of the soul and body through miracles, healing and prayer, and finally, the transformation of society through the act of love. This is a research gap as far as Pentecostalism in Ghana is concerned. The researcher will employ literature study and interview with selected leaders of the Classical Pentecostal Churches in Ghana.

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