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Daily Words of Encouragement

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Salvation is found in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to man by which we must be saved. (Acts 4:12)

The book of Acts is a testimony to both the life of a believer, and the power of Christ himself. Chapter 4, verse 12 emphasizes the exclusive role of Jesus Christ as the Savior. His name alone holds the key to eternal life.

Consider this through another important time in the life of the church; that of Pentecost. Pentecost, which means "fifty," was a Jewish festival celebrated fifty days after Passover. On that day, the Holy Spirit descended upon the disciples, empowering them to proclaim the gospel in various languages. Jews from different nations heard the message of salvation through Jesus Christ (Acts 2:1-4).

In light of today's verse, and all of the teachings in Acts, here are three reflections for this coming Pentecost Sunday:

1. **The Promise Fulfilled:** Jesus had promised that the disciples would be baptized with the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:5). Ten days after His ascension, this promise was fulfilled on Pentecost. The Spirit's indwelling empowers us to share the good news with others.
2. **Unity in Diversity:** Acts 2:5-11 describes people from various backgrounds hearing the gospel in their own languages. Pentecost reminds us that the gospel transcends cultural and linguistic barriers. It unites believers from every nation.
3. **The Name Above All Names:** Acts 4:12 reinforces that salvation is found only in Jesus. As we celebrate Pentecost, let's remember that the Holy Spirit equips us to proclaim His name boldly. Our mission is to make disciples of all nations (Matthew 28:18).

Brothers and sisters, may this Pentecost Sunday be a time of renewed passion for sharing the gospel, knowing that Jesus' name brings salvation to you and all of the children of God.

In joy,
Pastor Dustin