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**Teaching Title:** On Earth

- I. The Fire
  - a. Prophetic word: “The fire is in a room you aren’t in yet.”
    - i. The supernatural baptism of fire that God has for you cannot be experienced in the room you are currently in.
    - ii. You must shift.
  - b. Rooms of Scripture
    - i. The prophet’s room
      1. Built for Elisha (2 Kings 4:10)
      2. Hospitality, revelation, resurrection (Shunammite woman’s son was raised to life here)
    - ii. The King’s room
      1. Daniel’s upper room (Daniel 6:10)
      2. He prayed with the windows open toward Jerusalem despite the threat of death.
    - iii. The healing room
      1. Jairus’ daughter was raised from the dead by Jesus. (Mark 5:37-43)
    - iv. The bridal chamber
      1. A room of intimacy (Song of Songs)
    - v. The inner room
      1. Our prayer closets (Matthew 6:6)
    - vi. Many rooms
      1. Our heavenly destination (John 14:2)
  - c. The birthing room
    - i. Story of Jet being born
    - ii. Filled with joy and excitement and new life!
  - d. The training room
    - i. The disciples were pressured to shift at several points—leave their nets behind, get out of the boat—and they moved closer and closer to the fire of the Upper Room.
      1. *“Then Jesus told his disciples, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.”* (Matthew 16:24, ESV)
      2. They had to move from one place to another.
    - ii. The fire was in a room they weren’t in yet.
    - iii. What part of the journey of a disciple are you currently at?
  - e. The testing room

- i. They ultimately found themselves in a new room—where they’d share in the last supper with Jesus.
  - 1. This room was troubling, even offensive.
  - 2. Betrayal
  - 3. They’d be faced with the opportunity to take on the offense of Judas.
  - 4. They’d wrestle with the strange words of Jesus, eat my flesh and drink my blood.
  - 5. This led to arguments over who was greatest.
  - 6. Peter’s denial was prophesied.
- f. The crushing room
  - i. *“And taking with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, he began to be sorrowful and troubled. Then he said to them, “My soul is very sorrowful, even to death; remain here, and watch with me.””* (Matthew 26:37–38, ESV)
  - ii. *“And he came to the disciples and found them sleeping. And he said to Peter, “So, could you not watch with me one hour? Watch and pray that you may not enter into temptation. The spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak.””* (Matthew 26:40–41, ESV)
  - iii. *“Rise, let us be going; see, my betrayer is at hand.””* (Matthew 26:46, ESV)
- g. The empty room
  - i. *“And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, “Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee,”* (Luke 24:5–6, ESV)
- h. The holy room
  - i. The Holy of Holies
    - 1. In the OT, God’s manifest presence dwelt here.
    - 2. Only the High Priest could enter, and only once per year on the Day of Atonement.
    - 3. The disciples witnessed the opening of this room to every child of God!
      - a. *“And behold, the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. And the earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened. And many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised,”* (Matthew 27:51–52, ESV)
  - ii. The manifest presence of God is available to all!
- i. The waiting room
  - i. *“And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, “you heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.””* (Acts 1:4–5, ESV)

1. This is a massive, overwhelming promise!
  2. Not many days from now you will be baptized with fire!
  3. This is where the followers of Jesus shifted from being disciples to apostles.
  4. They went from waiting for Jesus to do the work, to establish his kingdom, to heal the sick, to cast out demons...to THEM doing it.
  5. In order for them to do it, they'd need power. They'd need fire.
- j. The burning room
- i. The fire was in the Upper Room!
  - ii. Many believe this was the same room that hosted the Last Supper.
    1. While the place was the same, the room was very different.
    2. *"When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance."* (Acts 2:1–4, ESV)
- II. Prayer in the Cave
- a. A room where Jesus transformed someone.
  - b. Mission Manitou
  - c. Devin was desperate to encounter God.
  - d. Day after day, she struggled.
  - e. Last day, she prayed a gentle prayer for my shoulder.
  - f. We went through seasons in the cave.
    - i. Repentance
    - ii. Worship
    - iii. Revelation
    - iv. Activation
  - g. Devin: "God is squeezing my heart, and I have to share what he's saying—but it's not good.
  - h. Voodoo doll, stabbing my shoulder
  - i. I was in extreme pain all night.
  - j. Devin roared as did everyone else and fire engulfed my arm. I was healed!
  - k. Shouts of victory erupted.
  - l. It wasn't really about my healing, it was about Devin experiencing the fire.