

# Facts About **Biblical Tongues** vs *Modern Glossolalia*

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1. **Biblical Tongues** were known **human languages**.

(Acts 2:4,8) “The language in which we were born.”

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## 2. Miraculous human languages

were a sign  
(impress) the  
Non-believers.  
(1 Cor 14:22)



It certainly did that to the People on the day of  
Pentecost (Acts 2:6-12) *“Amazement”*

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**3. Miraculous  
gifts were  
bestowed**

**by the laying on  
of The Apostles  
Hands.**



**(Acts 8:16-18; 19:6; 2 Tim 1:6) Thru Apostles.**

**So where are the apostles today to lay hands?**

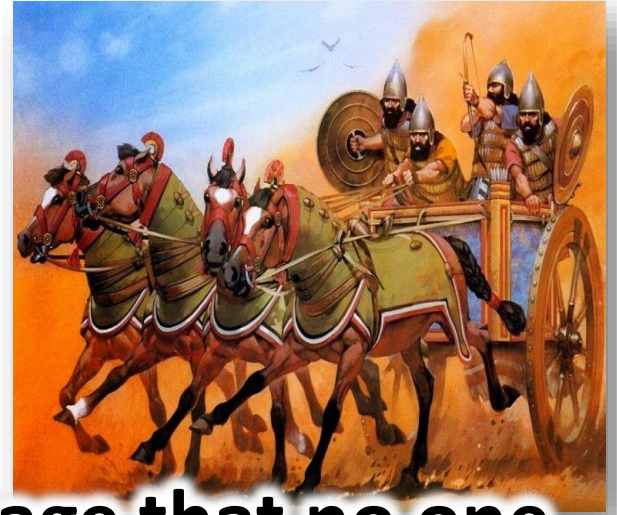
**The only time it came other than that was in  
the case of *Apostles* (Acts 2) & *Cornelius* (Acts 10) <sub>3</sub>**



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## 4. Strange tongues (1 Cor 14:21)

Here Paul quotes (Isa 28:11) describing the *Assyrian language* of Israel's captors see (Isa 27:13)



Assyrian was described as a language that no one understands. (Isa 33:19) “*You will no longer see a fierce people, A people of unintelligible speech which no one comprehends, Of a stammering tongue which no one understands.*”

Yet *Assyrians* understood *Assyrian*. (see Isa 10:5-11)

No one here understands Assyrian, Hindi or Swahili. 4

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**5. Should have interpreters**  
(1 Cor 14:27-28) and if there are no interpreters let him keep silent in the church.

(1 Cor 14:27) “And ***be two or at most three*** speak.. & ***that in turn.***”



Order almost ***never prevails***  
in active  
charismatic  
groups.  
(1 Cor 14:40)



# **“Slain in the spirit” after speaking tongues**

*“Therefore if the whole church assembles together and all speak in tongues, and ungifted men or unbelievers enter, will they not say that you are mad?” (1 Cor 14:23)*



***Never*** such a thing mentioned in Bible !



**Ukranian former tongues-speaker Yuriy Stasyuk**

***His well documented research is reflected in following slides.***

<http://yuriystasyuk.com/ten-hard-questions-about-speaking-in-tongues-glossolalia-and-xenoglossy/>

**His Footnote documentation can be found on slide note pages or the above web site**



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## **6. Why do modern glossolalia speakers mimic** **their teachers if done thru the Spirit? (1 Cor 12:11)**

***“the [speakers] utterance mirrors that of the person who guided the glossolalist into the behavior. There is little variation of sound patterns within the group arising around a particular guide.” (3)***

***“The style of glossolalia adapted by the group bore a close resemblance to the way in which the leader spoke. . . . It is not uncommon for linguists to be able to tell which prominent [traveling] glossolalist has introduced a congregation to tongue-speaking” (19)***



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## **7. Why do Non-Christian Groups include glossolalia as part of their worship if it truly comes from God's Holy Spirit?**

*“Glossolalia is practiced among non-Christian religions: the Peyote cult among the North American Indians, the Haida Indians of the Pacific Northwest, Shamans in the Sudan, the Shango cult of the West Coast of Africa, the Shago cult in Trinidad, the Voodoo cult in Haiti, the Aborigines of South America and Australia, the Eskimos of the subarctic regions of North America and Asia, the Shamans in Greenland, the Dyaks of Borneo, the Zor cult of Ethiopia, the Siberian shamans, the Chaco Indians of South America, the Curanderos of the Andes, the Kinka in the African Sudan, the Thonga shamans of Africa, and the Tibetan monks” (10)*

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**8 If glossolalia is really Biblical** why do not the interpretations of the same speech harmonize?

*The differences were as wide as one being “a prayer for the health of **someone’s children**,” while another interpreted the speech as “praising God for a **recent and successful church, fund-raising effort**.” (22)*

*“the interpreters gave different meanings to identical words in the same set of words. When confronted with this inconsistency, the interpreters simply said, ‘God gave different interpretations.’” (14, 23)*

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**9 If glossolalia is really Biblical** why can tongues-speakers be trained? (*Other miracles can't!*)

Marjoe Goertner, a famous charismatic healing evangelist, who later revealed that he was an atheist, even during his later healing crusades. He stated:

*“Tongues is something you learn. The first time maybe you’ll just go dut-dut-dut-dut, and that’s about all that will get out. Then you’ll hear other people and next night you may go dut-dut-dut-UM-dut-DEET-dut-dut, and it gets a little better. The next thing you know, it’s **ela-hando-satelay-EEK-condele-mosandrey-aseya ...** and it’s a new language you’ve got down.” (29)*



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**10 Even if “angelic” glossolalia were legitimate**  
why is there not also millions of believers speaking  
**HUMAN** languages miraculously? (Acts 2:4, 7-11)

*Why is the only “evidence” given for miraculous languages in the form of unverifiable anecdotes: eg. “I heard of someone speaking in ancient Chinese in Phoenix.”*

**Many researchers would love nothing more than real verifiable cases to test**, however, the linguists are not convinced, (17, 20) because the reality, according to willing and eager researchers, is that:

*“The investigations that have been carried on have **never verified the claim** of speaking in an actual foreign language **unknown** to the glossolalist.” (18)*

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**John 8:32**

**You shall know the  
truth, and the truth  
shall make you free.**

