

The Gathering of Ashes

- > The fire is symbolic of the trials we go through in life as we mature in Christ**
- > Trials that come into our life help us grow, which is good yet can be very painful**
- > The fire brings us together for fellowship and support as we lift each other up in Christ**
- > The ashes that come after the fire are what is left so we can reflect upon what we have learned through the trial.**
- > Gathering the ashes is symbolic of what we take with us after the trial is over**
- > Dumping new ashes into the fire helps us remember what we have gone through to make it this far in life, what we have learned and where we are going**