

# THE DAY OF PENTECOST!! -- THE COMING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT AND THE CROWD'S RESPONSE -- ACTS 2 1-13

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Monday 7:30pm, H 106 (1st floor, High School--foot of stairs, behind the gym, by doughnut/vending machine area), Tuesday 7:00am, Family, Room, CCCM – Phil Twente, cell # 714 425 9221; email – [ptwente@gmail.com](mailto:ptwente@gmail.com) For past studies, audio plus notes, go to: <http://www.missioncalvary.com/> Click on “Bible Studies” on the left column. References include commentaries by Pastor Chuck Smith, Vernon McGee, David Hocking, Warren Wiersbe and others.

### A MIGHTY SOUND

#### – Acts 2:1-2

*Act 2:1 When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.*  
*Act 2:2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven,*

*as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting.*

### A MIRACULOUS SIGN – NO ONE WAS EXCLUDED - Acts 2:3-13

*Act 2:3 Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them.*

*Act 2:4 And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other (heterous – different kind) tongues,*

*as the Spirit gave them utterance.*

*Act 2:5 And there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven.*

### A MIGHTY SOUND

*v. 1 “a sound from heaven” - Its SOURCE – “from heaven” (out of the heaven) - cf - Revelation 4:5; 11:19; 19:1-6; Psalm 29:3-9 – Isn’t it wonderful that God has restricted His voice today to that of speaking through His written word!*

#### Its PURPOSE:

*v. 2 a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. - To DEMONSTRATE God’s power to the believers AND to DRAW the multitude!*

### A MIRACULOUS SIGN – no one was excluded!

*v. 3 appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. - The APPARENCE of tongues sitting on each of them – The crowd spoke of what they heard, not what they saw. The text clearly argues for each person being involved, not just the apostles – Acts 1:14-15; 2:1- for every single believer-no one was excluded!*

*v. 4 began to speak with other tongues - The ABILITY to speak with other tongues*

*v. 4 other tongues The NATURE of the tongues – “other” (different kind) - Known languages / dialects – clear from Acts 2:6, 8*

*v. 4 as the Spirit gave them utterance. - The SOURCE of the tongues – The Holy Spirit of God*

### Acts 2:1-13 INTRODUCTION:

1. “the day of Pentecost” – Leviticus 23:4-21- one of three major feasts – Passover; Pentecost; Tabernacles. Pentecost was the most heavily attended due to the weather. Note how God uses this feast day to spread the good news of the birth of the church to many throughout the whole world!!  
Closely related, at a 50-53 day earlier time wise to Pentecost are the feasts of Passover, Feast of Unleavened Bread and the Feast of Firstfruits. 1 Cor.15:20-23
2. “had come” – present infinitive passive – “is being fulfilled”
3. “all together in one place” – “epi to auto” – cf - Acts 2:15; 2:44, 47
4. “third hour of the day” – Acts 2:15 (9:00 a.m.)

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**Act 2:6 And when this sound occurred, the multitude came together, and were confused, because everyone heard them speak in his own language (dialectos-dialect).**

**Act 2:7 Then they were all amazed and marveled,**

**saying to one another, "Look, are not all these who speak Galileans?"**

**Act 2:8 And how is it that we hear, each in our own language in which we were born?**

**Act 2:9 Parthians and Medes and Elamites, those dwelling in Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,**

**Act 2:10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya adjoining Cyrene, visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes,**

**Act 2:11 Cretans and Arabs—we hear them speaking in our own tongues the wonderful works of God."**

**Act 2:12 So they were all amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "Whatever could this mean?"**

**Act 2:13 Others (heterous –different kind)mocking said, "They are full of new wine."**

**v. 6 everyone heard them speak in his own language. - Amazed over HOW it was done – Acts 2:6, 8- "heard them speak" – imperfect tense – not just once, but continuously. This was done two other time in the Book of Acts – Acts 10; 11:17-18 & 19:6 Does this still happen today?**

**v. 7 Then they were all amazed and marveled - The AMAZEMENT of the crowd – Acts 2:5-13 Is this a miracle of speaking or of hearing?**

**we hear them speaking in our own tongues the wonderful works of God."**

**are not all these who speak Galileans? - Over WHO was doing it – Acts 2:7- "Galileans" had a certain accent, somewhat like we would refer to those from the "South". Here they were speaking in each language without any Galilean accent. Impossible unless God Himself is performing a miracle.**

**v. 11 "we hear them speaking in our own tongues the wonderful works of God." - Over WHAT was said – Acts 2:11**

**v. 12 "Whatever could this mean?" - Over WHY it was happening – Acts 2:12-13- A RESPONSIVE heart – Acts 2:12 How will you respond to the coming mighty miracles of God?**

**v. 13 Others - A REJECTING heart – Acts 2:13- "others" of a different kind. Which "other" are you? But the mockers are pointing out something—when you are filled with the Holy Spirit you are under the influence of the Spirit!!!**

**Which "other" are you?  
The group in verse 12 who were amazed and perplexed with a responsive heart.  
The group, of a different kind, in verse 13, who mocked.**

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### Questions:

1. What are the three major feasts, that required attendance, if possible? Which one was usually the most heavily attended?
2. What three feasts are celebrated in conjunction/just before Pentecost?
3. What's the big difference between the loaves offered on Pentecost and the bread of Passover/Feast of Unleavened Bread?
4. What is/was represented on Passover? Feast of Unleavened Bread? First Fruits? (*1 Cor. 15*); Pentecost (two loaves??) – the product of Jesus Christ! Birthday of the church!
5. What does the foregoing suggest as the day the church has traditionally met and why? (two major events occurred on Sunday)
6. What do you think drew the crowd described in verse 6?
7. Do you think the robes of the 120 were blowing in the wind during this time of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit?
8. Why do you think that a sign like cloven tongues of fire appeared on everyone's heads? Were the cloven tongues actually fire?
9. Do you think you have to be filled with the Spirit to be a Christian? (*Acts. 1:4-5; 2:4; Rom. 8:9*)
10. Is the miracle tongues, that of speaking or of hearing? (*2:4*)
11. Do you believe that everyone that is saved has the same experience as that which occurred on the Day of Pentecost, with respect to being filled with the Holy Spirit.

Are you living a Spirit filled, Christian life or a you still living the life of the “old man”? -- a carnal life, living for the flesh and not of the Spirit!!!!

Comparison of Characteristics of being under the control of the Holy Spirit :  
Instead of anger - There is love;  
Instead of impatience – there is long suffering  
Instead of a Spirit of revenge and bitterness, - there is meekness and control  
Instead of discouragement and despair; there is joy  
Instead of anxiety and worry; there is peace  
All of this is the fruit of the Spirit be more like Jesus than like the carnal life.

Are you born of the Spirit of Life? This is miracle stuff!!!! It's the power of God!!! Literally being born of the Spirit of God

What life are you living?