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1. All Together in One Place:

THE SPIRIT FALLS

Acts 2:1-13

#### 1) THE SPIRIT FALLS

<sup>1</sup> When the day of Pentecost came, they were ALL TOGETHER IN ONE PLACE. <sup>2</sup> Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. 3 They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated & came to rest on each of them. <sup>4</sup> All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit & began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. 5 Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup> When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. 7 Utterly amazed,

they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? 8 Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? 9 Parthians, Medes & Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea & Cappadocia, Pontus & Asia, 10 Phrygia & Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome 11 (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans & Arabs—we hear them PROCLAIM-ING THE WONDERS OF GOD in our own tongues!" 12 Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, "What does this mean?" <sup>13</sup> Some, however, made fun of them and said, "They have had too much wine."

#### 1) THE SPIRIT FALLS

#### **SOME KEY OBSERVATIONS:**

The Holy Spirit fell on ALL of the believers gathered & filled them ALL so that they were empowered to proclaim God's glory in languages they had not learned (*v*4).

#### They had PREPARED for this through:

- Obedience (waiting, worshipping, & praying patiently and perseveringly, as Jesus had told them to do, see *Acts 1:4-8*)
- Unity (they were all together in one accord, v1)
- Expectation (they truly believed the promise of God)
- Courage (when they received the Spirit, they proclaimed it, v11)

# They were SEEKING the HOLY SPIRIT in the UNITY of PRAYER & WORSHIP!

Acts 2:1-47 Joel 2:28-32

2. This Is That

Which Was Spoken by the Prophet:

THE SPIRIT CALLS

Acts 2:14-41

Joel 2:28-32

<sup>14</sup> Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice & addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews & all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. 15 These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! 16 No, THIS IS THAT WHICH WAS SPOKEN BY THE PROPHET Joel: 17 "In the last days, God says, I will pour out My Spirit on all people. Your sons & daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. <sup>18</sup> Even on My servants, both men & women, I will pour out My Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. 19 I will show wonders in the heavens above and

signs on the earth below, blood & fire & billows of smoke. 20 The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great & glorious Day of the Lord. 21 And everyone who calls on the Name of the Lord will be saved' [JOEL 2:28-32]. <sup>22</sup> Fellow Israelites, listen to this: **Jesus of Nazareth was a Man** accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders & signs, which God did among you through Him, as you yourselves know. <sup>23</sup> This Man was handed over to you by God's deliberate plan & foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked gentiles, put Him to death by nailing Him to the cross. <sup>24</sup> But God raised Him from the dead, freeing Him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for

death to keep its hold on Him. 25 David said about Him.... <sup>27</sup> "....You will not abandon Me to the realm of the dead, You will not let Your Holy One see decay....' <sup>29</sup> Fellow Israelites, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died & was buried.... <sup>30</sup> But he was a prophet & knew that God had promised him on oath that He would place one of his descendants on his throne. <sup>31</sup> Seeing what was to come, he spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah.... <sup>32</sup> God has raised this Jesus to life, & we are all witnesses of it. <sup>33</sup> Exalted to the right hand of God. He has received from the

<sup>33</sup> Exalted to the right hand of God, He has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit & has poured out what you now see & hear.... <sup>36</sup> Therefore let all Israel be assured of this:

God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah." 37 When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart & said to Peter & the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" 38 Peter replied, "Repent & be baptized, every one of you, in the Name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 The promise is for you & your children & for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call." 40 With many other words he warned them; & he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." 41 Those who accepted his message were baptized, & about three thousand were added to their number that day.

#### 2) THE SPIRIT CALLS

#### SOME KEY OBSERVATIONS:

The disciples had come to see the world through the revelation of the Scriptures that Jesus had opened them to (*Lk 24:27, 45*).

They now truly realized that Jesus was speaking literally when He said that every warning & promise in the Word "must be fulfilled" (*Lk* 24:44).

They understood the primacy & power of repentance and the urgency of proclaiming the warnings & invitations of God to all (v40).

# They were OPEN to the HOLY SPIRIT in the MISSION of PROCLAMATION & DELIVERANCE!

Acts 2:1-47 Joel 2:28-32

# 3. Many Signs & Wonders & Salvations:

### THE SPIRIT ACTS

Acts 2:42-47

<sup>42</sup> They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching & to fellowship, to the breaking of bread, & to prayer. 43 Everyone was filled with awe at the MANY SIGNS & WONDERS performed by the apostles. 44 All the believers were together & had everything in common. 45 They sold property & possessions to give to anyone who had need. 46 Every day they continued to meet together in the Temple courts. They broke bread in their homes & ate together with glad & sincere hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God & enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being SAVED.

#### 3) THE SPIRIT ACTS

#### SOME KEY OBSERVATIONS:

The new disciples GREW IN THE FAITH along with their elders through dedication to studying the Scriptures, attending to preaching, practicing prayer, & maintaining the communion of fellowship in the Body of Christ.

They **shared all they had** (*vv44-46*) **just** as **God shared with them all He is** by His Spirit (cf. *Mt 10:8; 1 Co 3:16; 1 Jn 4:19*).

The Holy Spirit produced unity among them and signs & wonders through them, bringing about many salvations all around them (vv43-45, 47).

# They were ACTIVE in the HOLY SPIRIT as they LIVED & GREW TOGETHER IN THE FAITH!

Acts 2:1-47

Joel 2:28-32

"ALL of them were FILLED with the Holy Spirit." (v.4a)

1. THE SPIRIT FALLS – SEEK HIM!

Acts 2:1-13

"Repent & be baptized [&] RECEIVE THE GIFT of the Holy Spirit." (v.38)

2. THE SPIRIT CALLS - OPEN TO HIM!

Acts 2:14-41;

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"The Lord ADDED to their number daily..." (v.47)

3. The Spirit Acts – LIVE IN HIM!

Acts 2:42-47

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It's not WHAT you're waiting for but WHO you're waiting upon! RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT & PROCLAIM THE RISEN CHRIST AS...

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