

Sermon Notes

The Establishment of the Church and Gospel of Jesus

Acts 2

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Text sermon questions, during the sermon, to (602) 824-8030

2:1-13 The pouring out of the Spirit on Jesus' people

Tongues was a sign that the Holy Spirit came into Jesus' people.

“Tongues”, here, refers to being able to speak foreign “languages” they hadn’t learned, by the empowering of the Holy Spirit.

2:14-20 **This event begins the fulfillment of God’s Spirit being poured out on His people in the last days, as promised by Joel.**

2:21 **“It shall be that everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”**

2:22-36 **Jesus is Lord and the Christ (Messiah-Savior).**

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2:22 Miracles that Jesus did prove who He is; He is of God.

2:23-32 Jesus’ resurrection proves who He is, the Messiah-Savior.

2:33 The Spirit being poured out on the Christians is proof that their testimony about resurrected Jesus is true.

2:34-35 The risen Lord Jesus ascended into heaven.

2:36 God has made Jesus both Lord and Christ.

Therefore, if you call upon Jesus for the help of saving you from God’s judgment, you will be saved.

2:37-41 **Right responses to this good news (gospel), and results**

Repent.

Be water-baptized in the name of Jesus Christ.

You will be forgiven of your sins, and will receive the Holy Spirit.

What is your response to this? Discuss it with someone today.

Suggested related reading: Feast of Weeks, Deuteronomy 16; events before Jesus comes again, Matthew 24:29-31; in Christ we are sealed by the Holy Spirit, Ephesians 1:13-14

Application questions for 10/28/18 sermon

Acts 2:1-41

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(Try to have everyone answer this question.)

What is something that in the last couple months you have said you wanted to work on, and how are you doing with that?

You may want to begin by reading Acts 2:1-41, especially if there is anyone who missed the sermon. You may need to look back at the passage, to answer some of the questions.

According to Peter's sermon, what were the two purposes for them speaking in tongues (which means miraculously speaking foreign languages they hadn't learned, because the Holy Spirit was enabling them)? (You can check your answers on the back, #1.)

What did you learn that was new or was there any of your thinking that has changed regarding tongues? Share specifically what that is.

What was the main point of Peter's sermon? (You can check your answers on the back, #2)

To help you share the good news about Jesus with someone, what knowledge have you gained from this passage? Be specific about points you think are important, and/or maybe different than what you've known before.

After sharing that good news with a non-Christian, based on this passage, what specific response(s) might you suggest to a non-Christian?

Based on the passage, what promises could you make to a person that trusts Jesus as Lord and Savior? (Christ is a term that audience would have understood as Savior from God, so we can just encourage someone to trust Jesus as Lord and Savior) (You can check your answers on the back, #3)

Do you have a question for the group? It might be something you don't understand that others could help with, or something you think should be covered that hasn't.

#1

- 1) This event begins the fulfillment of God's Spirit being poured out on His people in the last days, as promised by Joel. (2:14-21)
- 2) The Spirit being poured out on the Christians is proof that their testimony about resurrected Jesus is true. (2:33)

#2

That anyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved, and Jesus is the Lord and Christ. (especially 2:21, 36)

#3

You will be forgiven of your sins, and will receive the Holy Spirit. Those are both part of being saved from God's eternal judgment in the day of the Lord (that is when Jesus comes back) - there is no condemnation if your offenses against God (sins) are forgiven, and the Holy Spirit is seal that Jesus will claim you as His own when He comes again (Eph. 1:13-14).