

Acts, Part 02

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Opening Summary

This lesson covers **Acts 2:1-33**. We will discover who was in the upper room on the Day of Pentecost and the necessity of unity. Acts chapter two is the foundation of the church of the Lord Jesus Christ. It is where the Lord establishes the church being baptized with the Holy Ghost with the evidence of speaking in other tongues.

I. Who was in the upper room in Acts 2:1?

- A. Mary, Jesus' mother and brothers were in the upper room (Acts 1:13-14).
- B. Many women with Mary Magdalene, Joanna and Susanna were there (Luke 8:1-3).
- C. Jesus appeared to 500+ people after His resurrection (1 Cor. 15:3-7).
- D. I believe these 120 people were the ones more committed to Jesus (Acts 1:14-15).

II. Acts 2:1-4: It is important to remember they were in one accord (agreement).

- A. Pentecost is the Feast of Firstfruits.
- B. The Scripture emphasizes unity (Mat. 18:18-19, Eph. 4:11-16).
- C. Unity requires walking in Love. Since the Covid19 pandemic, domestic violence and suicides have gone up, because we haven't *decided* to walk in love.
- D. The 120 found themselves in the place they were assigned.
- E. **Acts 2:2-4:** The sound filled the room. In verse 4 *filled* means furnished.
- F. We know this is the Baptism with the Holy Ghost because of what Jesus said in Acts 1:5.
- G. **Acts 2:4:** Utterance is the manner and style of speaking.

III. This is the foundation of the church.

- A. "Gathering together unto him" refers to the rapture of the Church (2 Thes. 2:1-7).
- B. Falling means departure from truth (1 Thes. 2:3).
- C. Something is withholding the *son of perdition* (1 Thes. 2:6).
- D. Circle "he." "He" is the church, the body of Christ (1 Thes. 2:7; Eph. 1:22-23).

IV. They were saved and later filled with the Holy Ghost.

- A. Philip preached to the Samaritans (Acts 8:5-8).
- B. When they believed Philip, they were baptized (Acts 8:12).
- C. When you believe in your heart and say with your mouth you'll be saved (Rom. 10:9).

- V. Holy Spirit Baptism is accompanied with speaking with other tongues (Acts 8:14-19).**
- A. Simon knew they were filled because of what he saw (Acts 8:17).
 - B. You can't see the Spirit nor the wind, only the result of it (John 3:8).
 - C. The result that Simon saw was people speaking with tongues.
 - D. The first Gentiles spoke with tongues and magnified God (Acts 10:38-46).
 - E. The Holy Ghost came on them and they spoke with tongues (Acts 19:1,2,6).
 - F. 1 Corinthians is a letter to all Christians.
 - G. Mysteries means secrets. Believers can pray more effectively (1 Cor. 14:2).
 - H. **Acts 2:4:** They were filled with the Holy Ghost and spoke in tongues.
 - I. Paul spoke with tongues more than anybody, therefore it's not of the devil (1 Cor: 14:15-18).
 - J. **Acts 2:5-11:** This was public. Men heard them speak in their own language.
 - K. When you pray in tongues, you're speaking the wonderful works of God.
 - L. **Acts 2:12-15:** Some doubted, some mocked. The third hour is 9:00 am.

- VI. Acts 2:16-21: Peter explains what is happening. He references Joel 2:23-31.**
- A. The manifestation of the Spirit in the past and the future (Joel 2:23).
 - B. **Acts 2:16-21:** Peter tells what David said hundreds of year ago.
 - C. **Acts 2:17:** The "last days" start on the Day of Pentecost.
 - D. **Acts 2:17:** All flesh include Gentiles, both men and women (Gal.3:28-29).
 - E. **Acts 2:19-20:** The notable day is when Jesus comes to do battle at Armageddon.
 - F. That time is approaching (1 Thes. 5:1-5).
 - G. **Acts 2:21:** Name means character and authority: Jesus' character is love. His authority is higher than any other authority (Phil. 2:9-11).
 - H. Saved means delivered, protected, preserved, healed, made whole.

- VII. Acts 2:22-31: Jesus' crucifixion was all in God's plan.**
- A. It was prophesied in Isa. 53:6-8, The Lord laid our iniquity on Jesus.
 - B. **Acts 2:24-31:** Jesus went to hell for us.
 - C. It was prophesied about Christ (the Anointed One) and it has happened.
 - D. Jesus took our place; we were the wicked (Psalm 9:17).
 - E. In hell, Jesus defeated the devil (Col. 2:15).
 - F. Because Jesus went to hell for us, we get to have everlasting life (John 3:16).

VIII. Acts 2:32-33: They knew they were filled with the Holy Ghost, because they saw and heard them speaking in tongues.

Closing Summary

This is a very exciting study, because it shows God is the One working in Christians and empowering them to do His will in the earth.