

The Book of Acts

Acts 1:12-2:41

MAIN IDEAS

- Matthias is Chosen to Replace Judas
- The Holy Spirit Comes at Pentecost
- Peter Addresses the Crowd

PERSONAL RESPONSE

The apostle Peter declared that David issued a prophecy regarding Judas Iscariot. Compare Psalm 69:25 with Acts 1:16, 20. What do you notice?

Read Acts 2:3, Exodus 3:2-3, Exodus 13:21, Numbers 14:14, Psalm 78:14, and Daniel 7:9. What do you notice? What is the significance of fire and clouds?

Consider the events surrounding the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost. The apostle Peter explained that what had happened was a fulfillment of Joel's prophecy. Compare Joel 2:28-32 and Acts 2:1-13. What do you notice?

Acts 2:5 tells us that at Pentecost Jews from every nation under heaven were in Jerusalem. When the Holy Spirit poured Himself upon the disciples, a crowd formed and it was to this crowd that Peter preached the gospel.

- Why do you think this happened on Pentecost?
- What was the significance of this multi-tribe international gathering of Jews?
- How did they respond?
- What did Peter tell them to do?

Peter proclaimed to the crowd that David's words in Psalm 16:9-11 applied ultimately to the Messiah. What implications do these words hold for us as followers of Jesus today?

GROUP RESPONSE

Does your group have a story within its body of how the Holy Spirit worked in a supernatural way to glorify Himself?

Discuss any ways your group could grow more cognizant of the Holy Spirit.

REPRODUCE

Share with others the ways in which the Holy Spirit has worked in supernatural ways to glorify Himself in your own life and/or within your group.

If being cognizant of the Holy Spirit is difficult, consider steps you can take to become more aware of His presence.

KEY VERSES

From the sermon:

- Acts 1:12-2-41

Additional verses from the study:

- Psalm 69:25
- Psalm 78:14
- Psalm 16:9-11
- Exodus 13:21
- Daniel 7:9
- Exodus 3:2-3
- Numbers 14:14
- Joel : 28-32