

## Pentecost Sunday

### Bible study notes

For your consideration with the Bible study group on the meaning of the coming of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost, reflect upon the details given in the book of Acts Chapter 2. Acts 2:12 "Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, **"What does this mean?"**"

**What does this mean for us today?**

### Pentecost means that the Holy Spirit has come...

- 1. To Confirm the Promises of God in the Word of God** – Acts 2:16 "This is what was spoken by the prophet Joel.."
- 2. To Confer the Power of God on the people of God to be witnesses for God** – Acts 1:8a "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses ..."
- 3. To Clarify the Program of God for the Church of God** – Acts 1:8b "... and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."
- 4. To Credit the Pre-eminence of God with the salvation that is found in the Son of God** – Acts 2:22 "Listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God ... as you yourselves know. 23 ... was handed over to you by God's set purpose and foreknowledge..."
- 5. To Commend the Person of Christ who is the Son of God** – Acts 2:36 "Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ."
- 6. To Convict the Public of their sin and their need of God** – Acts 2:37 "When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"
- 7. To Convert the Person who repents before God** – Acts 2:38 "Peter replied, "Repent and 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."
- 8. To Compel the Penitent to come to God** – Acts 2:40 "With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation."
- 9. To Command the Priority of the Word of God in all the activities of the people of God** – Acts 2:42 "They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching...."
- 10. To Call the People of God to join the fellowship of God based on the Word of God** – Acts 2:42 "They devoted themselves to .... the fellowship,..."
- 11. To Celebrate the Price paid for our salvation by the Son of God** – Acts 2:42 "They devoted themselves to ...the breaking of bread ..."
- 12. To Carry the Prayers of the saints to the throne of God** – Acts 2:42 "They devoted themselves to .... prayer."
- 13. To Create the Privilege of sharing together in the provisions of God** – Acts 2:44 "All the believers were together and had everything in common. 45 Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need."
- 14. To Continue the Praise of God among the people of God** – Acts 2:46 "Every day they continued to meet together with glad and sincere hearts, 47 praising God..."

**15. To Complete the Plan of God by perfecting the Church of God – Acts 2:47** *"And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved."*