

# The Day Of Pentecost

Acts 2:1-47

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NOTE: The gospel was to begin at Jerusalem.  
Isaiah 2:2-3; Luke 24:46-49

In this study we shall consider:

- ▶ The Day.
- ▶ The Audience.
- ▶ The Preacher.
- ▶ The Sermon.
- ▶ The Results.

## The Day

*“And when the day of Pentecost was now come.” Verse 1*

- ▶ “Pentecost,” or “fiftieth,” was fifty days from the day following the Sabbath of the Passover Week. Leviticus 23:9-11, 15-17

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Other Bible names for Pentecost:

- ▶ *“Feast of weeks.” Deuteronomy 16:10*, because it came seven weeks after Passover.
- ▶ *“Feast of harvest.” Exodus 23:16*, because the harvest came during those seven weeks.
- ▶ *“Day of firstfruits” Numbers 28:26*, because of the offering peculiar to it.
- ▶ The gospel was preached for the first time. Acts 2:5; Romans 1:16; James 1:18



## The Audience

*“Jews, devout men, from every nation under heaven.” Verse 5*

- ▶ *“Devout,”*
  - “Acts 2:5, of pious Jews from the Diaspora who live in Jerusalem; 8:2, of the men who buried Stephen; 22:12, of Ananias” (Exegetical Dictionary of the New Testament)
  - “Reverencing God, pious, religious (A.V., devout): Acts 2:5; 8:2” (Thayer)

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- ▶ *"Devout,"* – yet sinners.
  - Their own law said, *"Thou shalt not kill"* (*Exodus 20:13*); yet they had crucified the Lord Jesus Christ. Acts 2:23; 3:15
  - Therefore they represent subjects for pardon. Acts 2:37

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## The Preacher

*"Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice ..." verse 14*

- ▶ Who was he? Was impetuous and impulsive.
  - Boastful. Matthew 26:31–35
  - Self confident. Luke 22:33; John 13:37
  - Hot tempered. John 18:10
  - Quick to answer. John 6:67–68; Matthew 16:15–16; Mark 9:5–6; Luke 9:33

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## The Preacher

*"Peter, standing up with the eleven, lifted up his voice ..." verse 14; cf. Matthew 10:20; Acts 2:4*

- ▶ Who was he? Was impetuous and impulsive.
  - Sometimes appeared disrespectful. Matthew 16:22; John 13:8–9; Acts 10:14
  - Darkest hour of denial. Matthew 26:56–58, 69–75
  - Sincere repentance. Luke 22:61–62; cf. Mark 14:72
  - Now skillful, powerful use of evidence. Acts 2:14–21.

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## The Sermon

Peter first answered their charge. Verses 16–21

- ▶ Acts 2:16 *"This is that ..."*
- ▶ Acts 2:21 *"And it shall be, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved."*

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## The Sermon

### Facts of the sermon:

- ▶ The death of Jesus. Verses 22–23
- ▶ The burial and resurrection of Jesus. Verse 24
- ▶ The resurrection, exaltation and kingship of Christ prophesied. Verses 25–31
- ▶ The resurrection of Jesus witnessed. Verse 32
  - By the prophets. Verses 25, 31
  - By eyewitnesses. Verse 32
- ▶ Exaltation and kingship of Jesus affirmed. Verses 33–35

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## The Sermon

### The conclusion:

*Acts 2:36 "Let all the house of Israel therefore know assuredly, that God hath made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom ye crucified."*

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## The Effect Of The Sermon

*"Now when they heard this ..." verse 37*

- ▶ Heard what? What Peter preached. cf. Romans 10:17
- ▶ NOTE: The Holy Spirit's power to convert is in the word. Psalms 19:7; James 2:21; John 6:63

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## The Effect Of The Sermon

*"They were pricked in their heart ..." verse 37*

- ▶ *katanýssæ* "To pain the mind sharply, agitate it vehemently: used especially of the emotion of sorrow." (Thayer)
- ▶ What pricked their hearts?
  - The preaching of the gospel of Christ brought a pricking, pungent, penetrating and stinging conviction to their hearts.

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## Their Question

*"Men and brethren, what shall we do?" verse 37 (KJV) cf. Acts 9:6; 16:30*

- ▶ Effects of sin.
  - What is sin. 1 John 3:4; James 4:17
  - Separation. Isaiah 59:1-2
  - Death. Romans 6:23

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## Peter's Answer

*"Repent ye, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ unto the remission of your sins; and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit." verse 38*

- ▶ Where did he learn this?
  - From the Great Commission. cf. Matthew 28:19; Mark 16:15-16; Luke 24:46-47

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## Their Response

*"They then that received his word were baptized" Verse 41*

- ▶ Will you do what they did?

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