

# SERMON OUTLINE Acts 2:1-13

Pentecost Sunday: Why it's Good that the Spirit Came

---

## **WHAT IS PENTECOST? (V1-4)**

*Background*

*The presence of God*

*The filling of the Holy Spirit*

## **WHY PENTECOST MATTERS? (V5-13)**

*Reversal of Babylon*

*The Mighty Works of God*

*New Wine, New Covenant*

# SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

---

## MAIN POINT

---

Pentecost marks the day that the Holy Spirit came to dwell in the hearts of God's people, to undo the curse of Babel, empower the church for ministry and usher in the New Covenant.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

---

1. What were your thoughts on the text/sermon? What most stood out? How was it helpful? Confusing?
2. What is your initial thought when you hear Pentecost?
3. What is one theme from this text that was new to you?
4. What are some of the roles of the Holy Spirit (see also John 14, John 16, Romans 8, Ephesians 1)?
5. In what way do you most clearly see the greatness of God in this passage?

## AREAS OF APPLICATION

---

6. Tell your family a specific mighty work of God from your own life. Help your children to see God's work in our world.
7. Act out stories of the Bible as a family. Help your kids understand the mighty works of God.
8. Evaluate your role in the Great Commission. What areas are you currently working to make disciples (self, family, church, world)? Are there areas you need to devote more time and energy to discipleship?
9. Where do we need to press into ministry as a church?
10. Read one of the passages on the New covenant (Jer. 31:31-37, Ezek 36, Heb. 8). Study the blessings of living in the New covenant.
11. Talk to one of the elders or deacons about ways to serve at Grace.
12. What is one specific thing you mean to do differently in the power of the Spirit as a result of the things you saw or heard in this text or sermon?

## PRAYER POINTS

---

13. Adoration. Praise God for being gracious. Praise God for being wise. Praise God for being a healer. Praise God for being love. Praise God for being perfectly victorious in all His plans.
14. Confession. Confess any ways you have ignored the work of the Holy Spirit. Confess areas where you are not living in the power of the Holy Spirit.
15. Thanksgiving. Give thanks to Jesus for sending the Holy Spirit. Thank Jesus for interceding for us. Thank the Father for his mighty works in your life. Thank the Holy Spirit for dwelling in you and the work of sanctification. Thank God for bringing you into the New Covenant.
16. Supplication. Ask for the Holy Spirit to fill you for ministry. Ask the Lord for opportunities to evangelize, serve others, or care for people.