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Peter's Powerful Sermon, Part 1

Acts 2:14-21

I. The Spirit of God: A Present Advent (vv. 14-18)

A. Peter _____ false assumptions (vv. 14-15) [1 Pet. 4:10-11; Gen. 1:1; Eph. 5:1-3; 1 Cor. 6:9-10; Rev. 21:8; Gen. 1:27]

B. Peter _____ to Joel's prophecy (v. 16) [Ezek. 13:5; Joel 2:1, 11, 12-13, 25, 26-27, 28-32]

C. Peter _____ this pre-fillment of the Spirit's work (vv. 17-18) [1 Jn. 2:18; 1 Pet. 1:20; Titus 3:5-6; Acts 21:8-11; Rev. 20:4-6; Gen. 20:30; Dan. 7:1; Gen. 15:1; Rev. 9:17; Acts 9-10; 2 Cor. 12:1]

II. The Severity of God: A Postponed Apocalypse (vv. 19-20)

A. _____ in the heavens above (Matt. 24:29-31)

B. _____ on the earth below (Acts 4:30; 5:12; 14:3; 15:12)

C. _____, fire, and smoke (Rev. 8:7-8; 5, 7, 8, 10; 9:2-3)

D. _____ turned to darkness (Matt. 24:29-30)

E. _____ turned to blood (Rev. 19:11-15)

F. _____ the Day of the Lord
(1 Thes. 5:2; Rev. 16:14)

III. The Salvation of God: A Permanent Assurance (v. 21)

A. Everyone who _____ (Jn. 3:16; Rom. 10:9-10)

B. Upon the name of the _____ (Rom. 10:13, 14-15)

C. Shall be _____ (Jn. 1:12; 1 Jn. 5:13)

TAKE HOME

- How does Peter clarifying what was happening at Pentecost give you **courage** today?
- How does understanding Peter's use of Joel 2 give you both **amazement** and excitement about the coming of the Day of the Lord?
- How does the truth of 'whosoever calls upon the name of the Lord' give you **hope**?

STUDY QUESTIONS

James 1:22 says, *“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.”* These questions are designed to help you apply today’s message to your life. We encourage you to thoughtfully answer these questions and discuss your answers with others. For more information about joining a small group that uses these questions as the basis for discussion, prayer, and accountability, please visit our website at placiritachurch.com.

1. Briefly review Acts 2:1-13. What is going on here on the Day of Pentecost?

2. Read Acts 2:14-15. In what way did Peter address the crowd? What was Peter’s authority? How did Peter correct their thinking? What can we learn from this example?

3. Read Acts 2:16. Now look at Joel 2:1, 11, 12-13, 25, 26-27. How is seeing the context of Joel 2 helpful to better understand what is going on in Acts 2? Which of the verses listed above in Joel 2 encourages you the most? Why?

4. Read Acts 2:17-18. What are these verses talking about? (1 Jn. 2:18; 1 Pet. 1:20; Titus 3:5-6; Acts 21:8-11; Rev. 20:4-6; Gen. 20:30; Dan. 7:1; Gen. 15:1; Rev. 9:17; Acts 9-10; 2 Cor. 12:1) In what way has God poured out His Spirit on you?

5. Read Acts 2:19-20. What are these verses saying? (Matt. 24:29-31; Rev. 8:7-8; 5, 7, 8, 10; 9:2-3; 1 Thes. 5:2) When is the day of the Lord coming? How is Joel 2 fulfilled both at Pentecost and the Second Coming?

6. Read Acts 2:21. Now look at John 3:16; Romans 10:9-10, 13, 14-15; John 1:12; 1 John 5:13. What are all these verses calling you to do today? How can you share these truths with others?

7. Read the take home questions. Which one encourages you or challenges you the most? Why? How will you live differently this week based on what you have learned from this passage?

Expository preaching is the Spirit-empowered explanation and proclamation of the text of God’s Word with due regard to the historical, contextual, grammatical, and doctrinal significance of the given passage, with the specific object of invoking a Christ-transforming response.”

- Steven F. Olford