

ACTS 2

Guided Discovery

THE HOLY SPIRIT COMES, THE CHURCH IS BORN. THE GOSPEL IS PROCLAIMED.

CHAPTER SUMMARY

On the Day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit came with power. The disciples were filled and spoke in other tongues. Peter stood and proclaimed Jesus as Lord and Messiah. About three thousand people believed, were baptized, and the church was born.

CORE TRUTH

Peter called the people to repent, be baptized, and receive God's promised gift of the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit empowers every believer to witness.

Jesus is Lord and Messiah.

KEY THEMES

- ✓ The coming of the Holy Spirit (2:1-4)
- ✓ Empowered witness (2:5-13)
- ✓ Peter's gospel message (2:14-36)
- ✓ Repent, be baptized, and receive the Holy Spirit (2:37-41)
- ✓ The fellowship of the early church (2:42-47)

KEY VERSE

"And it shall come to pass that whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved."
- ACTS 2:21 (NKJV)

QUICK TAKEAWAY

The Holy Spirit came with power, enabling believers to share the gospel. Peter proclaimed Jesus as Lord. Three thousand were saved, baptized, and joined together in devotion, fellowship, and joy.

I WILL... In this season, I want to grow in...

1 FILL IN THE BLANKS

Use the Word Bank to complete the statements.

WORD BANK:

Holy Spirit tongues place Galileans sound wind
fire Jesus Lord baptized fellowship

1. When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one _____ (v. 1)
2. Suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing _____ (v. 2)
3. Tongues like fire appeared and rested on each person. (v. 3)
4. They were all filled with the _____ and began to speak with other _____ as the Spirit gave them utterance. (v. 4)
5. God has made this Jesus both _____ and Christ. (v. 36)
6. Then those who gladly received His word were _____; and that day about three thousand souls were added to them. (v. 41)

2 MATCH IT

Match each description (left) with the person or group (right).

1. Sound like a rushing wind filled the house. (v. 2)
 2. Tongues like fire appeared and rested on each person. (v. 3)
 3. People from many nations heard the disciples speaking in their own languages. (v. 5-11)
 4. Stood up and preached the resurrection of Jesus. (v. 14)
 5. Convicted by Peter's message and asked, "What shall we do?" (v. 37)
 6. Received the word, were baptized, and were added to the church. (v. 41)
- A. The crowd from every nation under heaven
B. The Holy Spirit
C. The disciples
D. Peter
E. The believers
F. Those who were cut to the heart

3 TRUE OR FALSE

Write T for True or F for False.

1. The disciples were all together in one place on the Day of Pentecost.
2. The noise of the wind came from the street.
3. The tongues as of fire appeared on only a few disciples.
4. Everyone heard the disciples in their own language.
5. Peter said, "Let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ."
6. About three thousand people were added to the church that day.

4 MULTIPLE CHOICE

Circle the best answer.

1. Why did the sound come from heaven?
A. A celebration in the city
B. God's Holy Spirit was coming
C. An earthquake
D. People shouting
2. What did the disciples do when filled with the Holy Spirit?
A. Slept
B. Flew
C. Spoke in other tongues
D. Sang quietly
3. What did Peter say was for them and their children?
A. The law
B. The promise of the Holy Spirit
C. The temple
D. Riches

5 PUT IN ORDER

Number these events from 1-6 in the order they occurred in Acts 2.

- _____ A great sound like a rushing wind came.
- _____ Peter preached to the crowd.
- _____ About three thousand people were added to the church.
- _____ The disciples were filled with the Holy Spirit.
- _____ Tongues like fire appeared.
- _____ People from many nations heard them speak in their own languages.

6 SHORT ANSWER

Answer in your own words.

1. According to Peter, what happened to Jesus? (vv. 22-24)
2. What must people do to receive the promise and gift of the Holy Spirit? (v. 38)
3. What did the early believers continue to do together? (v. 42)

DID YOU KNOW?

"Pentecost" (Acts 2:1) was a Jewish feast 50 days after Passover. It celebrated the harvest, and Jewish tradition also connected it with God giving the Law at Sinai. On that day, God poured out His Spirit!

QUICK TAKEAWAY

- The Holy Spirit empowers witness.
- Jesus is Lord and Messiah.
- Repent, be baptized, receive the Holy Spirit.
- The church grows in devotion and unity.

PERSONAL REFLECTION

In this season, one way I want to respond to God's Spirit is:

PRAYER PROMPT

Lord Jesus, thank You for sending Your Spirit. Help me to repent, trust You as Lord, live as part of Your church, and empower me to tell others about You.
Amen.

REMEMBER:

"And they continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in prayers."
- Acts 2:42 (NKJV)