

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY NOTES

Grace and Peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord;... 2 Peter 1:2

The Very First Church Service

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Acts 2:1 KJV - And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

Acts 2:2 KJV - And suddenly ***there came a sound from heaven...***

Acts 2:2 KJV - And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting. **3** And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them. **4** And ***they were all filled with the Holy Ghost***, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

This Was All a Result of their Obedience to the Lord:

Acts 1:4 Gathering them together, He commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the Father had promised, "Which," [He said,] "you heard of from Me; **5** for John baptized with water, ***but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."***"

What Did the Father Promise and What Did They Hear from Jesus:

John 14:16 "I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; **17** [that is] the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, [but] you know Him because He abides with you and will be in you. **18** "I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.

Another Helper= Another of the Same Kind...

- **He abides with you and will be in you**
- **Why would you settle for just having the Holy Spirit with you when you can have Him in you?**

The First Message Preached at the First Ever Church Service:

Acts 2:14 But Peter, taking his stand with the eleven, raised his voice and declared to them: "Men of Judea and all you who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you and give heed to my words. **15** ***"For these men are not drunk, as you suppose,*** for it is [only] the third hour of the day;

Acts 2:16 but this is what was spoken of through the prophet Joel: **17 'AND IT SHALL BE IN THE LAST DAYS,'** God says, **'THAT I WILL POUR FORTH OF MY SPIRIT ON ALL MANKIND; AND YOUR SONS AND YOUR DAUGHTERS SHALL PROPHESY, AND YOUR YOUNG MEN SHALL SEE VISIONS, AND YOUR OLD MEN SHALL DREAM DREAMS; **18** EVEN ON MY**

BONDSLAVES, BOTH MEN AND WOMEN, I WILL IN THOSE DAYS POUR FORTH OF MY SPIRIT And they shall prophesy. ... **21**
'AND IT SHALL BE THAT EVERYONE WHO CALLS ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED.'

- **In the Last days**
- **God will pour out His Spirit on His children**
- **His children will prophesy**
- **Both men and women**
- **This will cause many to be saved...**

This is How the Church of Christ Conducted Themselves in the Very beginning:

Acts 8:5 Philip went down to the city of Samaria and [began] proclaiming Christ to them. **6** The crowds with one accord were giving attention to what was said by Philip, as they heard and saw the signs which he was performing. **7** For [in the case of] many who had unclean spirits, they were coming out [of them] shouting with a loud voice; and many who had been paralyzed and lame were healed. **8** So there was much rejoicing in that city.

Acts 8:12 But when they believed Philip preaching the good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were being baptized, men and women alike.

Acts 8:14 Now when the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent them Peter and John, **15** who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit. **16** For He had not yet fallen upon any of them; ***they had simply been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.*** **17** Then they [began] laying their hands on them, and they were receiving the Holy Spirit.

The Ignored Command to the New Testament Church:

Ephesians 5:18 And do not get drunk with wine, for that is dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit,

Dissipation: Shameless immorality, wasteful use of precious time, indulging in sensual behavior

Notice the contrast: do not get drunk with wine but be filled with the Spirit

Drunkenness Produces:

1. **False courage**
2. **Unrestrained tongue**
3. **Causes one to do things they ordinarily would not do**
4. **Makes one bold and outspoken, removes all inhibitions and insecurity**
5. **Causes one to forget their pain**
6. **It controls people**