

INTRODUCTION

A. RESPONSE: SACRAMENT (see 2:38f)

B. IMPLEMENTATION: FELLOWSHIP (see 2:42f)

I. WHAT HAPPENED? (2:1-4)

A. SUPERNATURAL: FROM HEAVEN; LIKE WIND, AS FIRE (2:2,3; see 9:3; 11:9; 1Cor.15:47; 1Pt.1:12)

B. BAPTIZED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT (2:1-4; see 1:5; Lk.3:16; Jn.3:8; note: pour; 2:17,18,33; see Eph.1:5,11f,13f; Tt.3:7; i.e., initial endowment)

C. FILLED WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT (2:2,3 /4:8,31,etc.; continual/repeated distributions /Gal.4:1f; Rom.8:23)

D. EACH OF ALL (2:1,3; see 1:15; 2:17f; 4:31,etc.; see 1Cor.12:4ff)

E. EMPOWERED TO SPEAK GOD'S WORKS IN OTHER TONGUES (2:4,11 /14f,22f; Lk8:39; 19:37)

II. WHAT WERE THE "OTHER TONGUES"? (2:4-8)

A. ALL KINDS OF HUMAN LANGUAGE (2:4-8; see Rev.5:9; 13:7; 14:6; see Is.45:23(=Rom.14:11))

B. SUPERNATURAL SPEAKING & NATURAL HEARING (2:8; compare 1Cor.12:30; 14:1f,13f,27f; note: tongues of angels; 1Cor.13:1; 14:28 w/Eph.3:10; 1Pt.1:12)

III. WHAT WAS THE PURPOSE OF THE GIFT OF TONGUES? (2:5-13)

A. EMPOWERED TO SPEAK OF THE MIGHTY DEEDS OF GOD (2:11; 1:8a; 4:8,31; see 2Pt.1:21; see Lk.24:19; Acts 2:14f; 22f)

B. CHRIST'S BAPTISM (Lk.3:21f & 4:17f)

C. THE CHURCH IN CORINTH (1Cor.12:30; 14:1f,5f,13f,26f; see 13:1f; 9:19f; 10:3; see Mk.10:45)

D. TO THE WHOLE WORLD (2:5-11; see 1:8b; Mt.28:18f; see Rev.5:9; 13:7; 14:6; see Is.45:23(=Rom.14:11))

IV. WHAT WAS THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE OTHER TONGUES? (2:14-21; see Joel 2:28-32)

A. UNIVERSAL PROPHETHOOD OF BELIEVERS (2:17,18; see 2:1-3; 1:13-15; Mt.28:18f; see 1Pt.2:5,9)

B. THE LAST DAYS HAVE BEGUN (2:17; see 2:3; Lk.3:7f,16; Is.5:24; 30:27; Heb.10:27; 12:27f; see 1Cor.10:11; see Acts 2:33 & 1Cor.15:25)

C. THE DAY OF THE LORD IS NEAR (2:19,20; see 2:3 & 2Pt.3:3f,7f,10,12; Rev.6:21; see Jn.16:8; Acts 17:31; Rom.3:6; 1Jn.4:17)

V. HOW DO ALL THESE THINGS APPLY TO US?

A. YOU MUST CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD! (2:3,21,40 & 2Pt.3:11,14f; Lk.3:7 /Rom.10:13,11)

B. ASK THE SPIRIT TO EMPOWER YOU TO SPEAK IN AN UNDERSTANDABLE WAY (2:38; see 2:1f; 1:8; 1Cor.14:1f,7f; see Lk.11:13)

C. BE PREPARED TO BE BOTH RECEIVED AND REJECTED (2:41/13; see 17:32a/b)

D. BREATHE FIRE IN YOUR GIVEN LANGUAGES! (2:3f,19,20,36f; 1:8f; 24:25; see Jer.5:14; 23:29; see Lk.3:7,2f; Rom.2:16; 1Th.1:10; 5:2f; Heb.13:4; 2Pt.3:7f)

E. CARRY WATER TO PUT OUT THE FIRE YOU STARTED! (2:21,38f /Lk.3:7,2f; 1Cor6:9f/11;Acts22:16)

Suggested questions for sermon-based small group fellowship discussion. Pick a few questions that are most appropriate and useful for you.

General Questions

What was most helpful to you in this sermon?

What was most provoking for further consideration?

What questions were answered in this sermon?

What questions did this sermon bring to your mind? How will you answer them?

How did the Bible study help you understand and/or apply this sermon?

Did the Lord change what you believe in any way through this sermon?

Is there any way in which the Lord called you to change your behavior? If so, why? how? How will you go about this?

Questions Particular to This Sermon

Have you called on the Name of the Lord? When? How? What was the outcome?

Have you asked the Spirit to enable you to speak the Gospel in an understandable way?

Do you have a gift of tongues? Do you have a gift of interpretation? If so, how do you use these?

How do people respond to you in evangelism? How do you deal with their responses?

Do you talk to people about the judgment day? Why or why not? If so, how? How do people respond?

Do you call people to flee from Christ's judgment and to His grace?