

## PROLOGUE

- A. **SERMON-BASED SGF** (see *Sticky Church*; also Hybels, A.Stanley; see questions at end)
- B. **NOTE ON CASTING LOTS** (1:26; see Lev.16:8; Josh.18:6f; see Prov.16:33; Lk.6:12f(Acts1:2,24; 9:15); see Acts 6:3; 14:23 (Dt.1:13f))

## INTRODUCTION

- A. **32<sup>nd</sup> ANNIVERSARY: TIME FOR REVITALIZATION** (Acts 3:19; see Jer.31:25; Habb.3:2)
- B. **WAITING FOR THE SPIRIT...** (1:4,5; see 1Sam.10:6f; 16:13f; Ps.51:11)
- C. **...TO EMPOWER FOR MISSION** (1:8; 2:4f; see 4:8,31; 16:7, etc.; see 1Sam.11:6; Jdgs.3:10; 6:34f; 13:25ff; see Eph.6:17f; Rev.22:17)
- D. **GENERAL & PARTICULAR** (2:1f & 4:8f; see Rom.8:9ff; Gal.5:22f & Eph.3:19f; 5:18f; see Lk.11:13)

## I. WHAT THEY DID NOT DO WHILE THEY WAITED (1:6-11)

- A. **GUESS THE TIME OF THE NEW CREATION** (1:6,7; 11b; 3:21; see Mt.24:36; 25:14f)
- B. **GAZE INTO HEAVEN** (1:11a; see Eph.3:10; 1Pt.1:12; 2Tm.3:14-17)
- C. **SUMMARY: NOT DISTRACTED** (see Mk.4:19; Lk.14:16f; Mt.21:28)

## II. WHAT THEY DID DO WHILE THEY WAITED (1:12-26)

- A. **GATHERED WITH THE APOSTLES** (1:12-15; see 1-8; 21,22 /Eph.2:20; 2Pt.1:20f; 3:16)
- B. **TOGETHER** (1:14; 2:46; 4:24,32 /Eph.4:3f,12f; Phil.1:27; 2:2f; 1Cor.12:4ff)
- C. **WITH THE WOMEN** (1:14; see Lk.8:2; 23:49,55f; 24:1f,22 /Gal.3:28; Jn.4:9; 1Tm.2:11; 1Cor.12:15f)
- D. **CONTINUALLY DEVOTED THEMSELVES TO PRAYER** (1:14; 2:42; 6:4 /Rom.12:12; Eph.6:18; Col.4:2; see Rom.8:26; Jude 1:20)
- E. **HEARING THE SCRIPTURES PREACHED** (1:15-22; see 2:14ff; 3:12f; 4:8f; etc. speeches /Mt.28:18f; 1Tm.4:12f(Acts 6:4); 2Tm.3:14f; Heb.5:11f)
- F. **ACTING ON THE SCRIPTURES PREACHED** (1:23f; see 2:37; etc. /Jn.13:17; Ps.143:10; Mt.28:20a; 1Th.1:9; 2:13)
- G. **SUMMARY: INWARD MEANS FOR OUTWARD MISSION** (1:4,5,8 w/12-26; 2:42; /2Tm.3:14f; 1Cor.11:24f(10:16); 1Th.5:17; Eph.4:12-16; see 2,25,32; see 1Kngs.18:21f,30f,36f,38f(Acts2:1f))

## III. WHAT WE DO WHILE WE WAIT! (1Th.1:6; 2:14; 1Cor.4:16; 11:1; Phil.3:7; Heb.13:7; see /in I, II above)

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Suggested questions for sermon-based small group fellowship discussion:

- What was most helpful to you in this sermon?*
- What was most provoking for further consideration?*
- 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?*
- What do you think is the most important thing you can do to prepare for revitalization by the Spirit?*
- What do you think is the most important thing our congregation (members, officers) can do to prepare for this?*