

Introduction

- I. We are familiar with the three wonders that signaled the outpouring of the Holy Spirit: the sound as of a mighty, rushing wind, cloven tongues as of fire, and speaking in many different languages.
- II. Today we consider another powerful work of the Holy Spirit - at the preaching of Peter in Jerusalem 3000 people were pricked in their hearts, repented of their sins, and believed.

The Holy Spirit's Transforming Power

- I. **The Amazing Transformation** - The amazing transformation is true conversion and repentance.
 - A. They were pricked in their hearts - the word "pricked" means "to pierce."

- B. "Men and brethren, what shall we do?" The amazing transformation to true repentance wants two things: instruction and change the follows that instruction.

- II. **The Holy Spirit's Power**

- A. The Holy Spirit slays, pierces, takes captive the hearts of God's people.

- B. The instrument the Spirit uses to pierce our hearts is the preaching.

- III. **The Perfect Comfort**

- A. There was comfort for these murderers in the promise of the gospel.

- B. But notice the way in which this comfort comes to us - only in the way of true repentance.