

LEARNING WITH LUKE - ACTS 2:14-21 TIME FOR PROMISES P. 1081 PEW BIBLE

Acts 2:14-21 - Peter, standing with the eleven, addressed them: let this be known to you...This is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: "And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy...And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below...And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved."

"This is that," declares Peter, as "that" spoken by the prophet Joel is fulfilled by "this" which astonishes the people as God fulfills His promise. What is spoken of in the Bible becomes reality in the experience of the church. -James Phillip

1- LET THIS BE KNOWN - inspired explanation

Acts 2:14-16 - *this is that*

Joel 2:28-32 - *the prophet*

Isa 2:2, Hos 3:5, Mic 4:1, 1Cor 10:11, 2Cor 6:2, 1Tim 4:1, 2Tim 3:1, James 5:3, 1Pet 1:10-12, 20, 2Pet 3:3, 1John 2:18, Jude 18 - *last days*

Heb 1:1-2, Heb 8-10 - *new covenant age*

Acts 2:4, 14, 4:8, 31, 6:10, 9:17, 13:9-11 - *Spirit-enabled speaking*

The last days, inaugurated by Messiah's coming, include Pentecost, and continue until Christ's return. -JB Polhill

The promised new age of the Spirit is here in the inaugurated kingdom of the ascended Jesus as Lord, reigning at the right hand of God, in fulfillment of the covenantal promises, and for the instruction of the nations. -AJ Thompson

2- I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT - age of Messiah

Acts 2:17-18 - *God declares*

Num 11:16-17, 23-29, 12:6-8 - *prophesy*

Isa 32:15, 44:3-5, Jer 31:31-34, Joel 2:28-32, Ezek 36:25-27, 37:1-14, 39:29, Zech 12:10 - *pour*

Matt 3:11, 12, 13:32, 28:16-20, Mark 1:8, Luke 3:16, 11:13, 12:12, 24:49, John 1:33, 3:5-8,

4:10, 14, 7:39, 14:16, 17, 26, 15:26, 16:7, 13, 31, 20:22, Acts 1:5, 8, 10:42-48 - *Holy Spirit*

Rom 12:3-8, 1Cor 12:4-31, 14:1-40, Eph 4:1-16, 1Pet 4:8-11 - *gifts*

1Cor 3:16, 6:19, 1Pet 2:4-9, 4:14, Eph 2:17-22, Titus 3:4-7 - *indwelling*

Acts 9:1-19, 10:1-11:18, 11:27-29, 16:9-10, 18:9, 21:7-11 - *visions*

Acts 11:27, 13:1, 15:32, 1 Cor 14, 11:4-5, 12:28-29, Eph 2:20 - *prophesy*

In Christ, all of God's people are enabled by His Spirit to announce the fulfillment of God's saving plan. -AJ Thompson

All Christians have been anointed by the Holy Spirit, but those who avoid church are denying Pentecost. -RC Sproul

3- I WILL SHOW WONDERS - cosmic events

Acts 2:19-20 - *heavens & earth*

Isa 13:9-13, 24:19-23, 34:4, Ezek 32:6-8, Joel 2:10, 30-31, 3:15-16, Hab 3:6-11 - *judgment*

Gen 37:9-10, Eccl 12:1-2, Amos 5:20, 8:9, Luke 21:25, Matt 24:29, Rev 6:12-14, 12:1 - *symbols*

Sun, moon, stars have a long Biblical history to describe temporal and local judgment of nations, or as symbolic of leaders. Some interpreters hold that events of judgment will take place at the return of Christ, others that signs were fulfilled on Good Friday &or AD70, while others hold that this language is prophetic symbolism. -Polhill, DeMar, Sproul

4- CALL AND BE SAVED - name of the Lord

Acts 2:21, 36, 4:12, Rom 10:13 - *Jesus*

Gen 12:8, 13:4, Psa 105:1, 116:4, Prov 18:10, Isa 44:5-8, 45:17-22, 55:6-7 - *the Lord saves*

Peter declares that the "name of the Lord" who saves is none other than the ascended Lord Jesus Christ. -JB Polhill

5- YOUR RESPONSE? - trust & obey

Rom 16:25-27 - *obedience of faith*

Gen 10, 11:1-9, Mt 24:14, Lk 24:47, Acts 1:8, 2:5-8,

Rom 1:1-8, 10:11-21, 16:25-27, Col 1:6, 23, 1Tim 3:16 - *all nations*

A church that focuses on the Holy Spirit is not a Spirit-filled church, because the Holy Spirit always points beyond Himself to Christ, to empower witness to Christ, and apply His work in redemption to all who believe. -RC Sproul

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7-17 **Acts 2:14-21** - *the Spirit*

7-18 **Joel 2:28-32** - *"I will"*

7-19 **Num 11:23-29** - *prophesy*

7-20 **Ezk 36:26-27, 39:29** - *Spirit*

7-21 **Gen 11:1-9** - *the nations*

7-22 **Rom 10:5-17** - *everyone*

7-23 **Rom 16:25-27** - *all nations*

The Spirit of God works the Word of God so the people of God become like the Son of God

♦ How will I be **transformed**, by God's truth, in the Spirit's power, as I trust & obey?

ACTS of the
Ascended
Lord Jesus Christ