

Bi 203 — Acts Fall, 2015

Preparation for Witness Part 2

September 17, 2015

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II. The Spirits First Indwelling

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II.B. Peter stands and preaches (2:14-36)

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II.A.1 Unity of Time and Place (2:1)  T & P

II.A.2 The coming of the Spirit (2:2-4)

II.A.2.a Sound of a mighty wind (2:2)

II.A.2.b Appearance of tongues of fire (2:3)

II.A.2.c All were filled
& spoke in tongues (2:4)

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The Feasts

Passover and Unleavened Bread	first month, fourteenth day, for eight days	to remember God's deliverance of the people from Egypt (pilgrimage feast, see Ex. 23:15)
First Fruits	the day after Passover and Unleavened Bread	an act of gratitude and devotion to God giving him the first produce
Weeks	seven sabbaths and one day after First Fruits	the seven weeks plus one day makes fifty days (thus, Pentecost); note parallel to Jubilee in Lev. 25 (pilgrimage feast, see Ex. 23:16a)
Trumpets	seventh month, first day	trumpet blast to signal the coming pilgrimage feast in two weeks (later this became the Jewish new year, Rosh Hashanah; cf. literal reading of Ps. 81:3)
Day of Atonement	seventh month, tenth day	to purify the holy of holies, the altar, the dwelling, the priesthood, and the entire encampment (see Lev. 16)
Booths	seventh month, fifteenth day, for eight days	to live in booths to commemorate the temporary shelters when the people left Egypt, also referred to as "Ingathering," the third of three pilgrimage feasts listed in Ex. 23:14-17

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It might be:



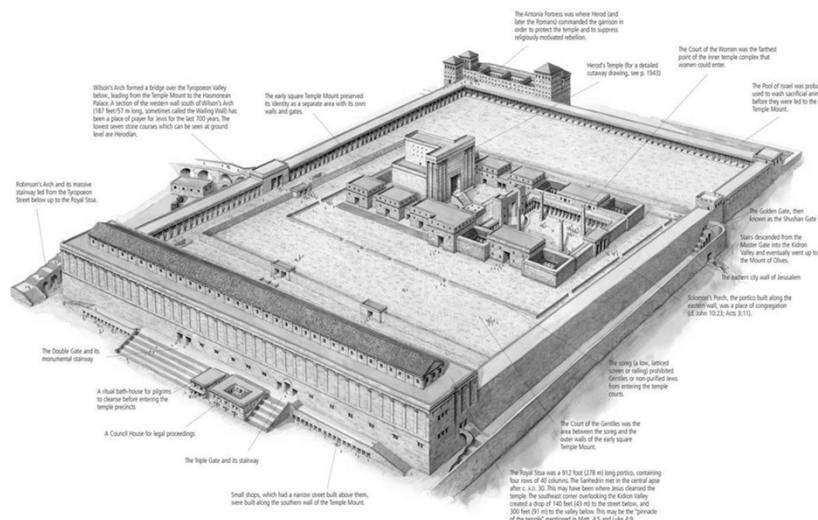
The Cenacle,
The "historic" upper room location



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Or at the Temple



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Tongues →

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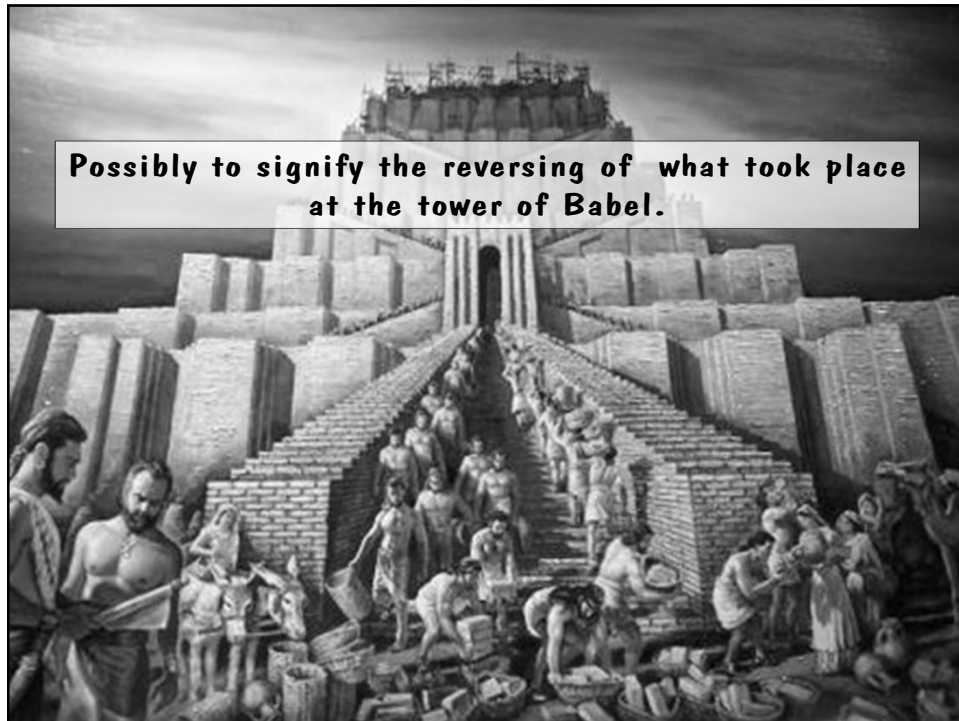
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Being Filled and Speaking in Tongues

- **Filled,** is the Greek word "pimplemi"
 - is used in Acts 2:4; 4:8, 31; 9:17; 13:9
 - The verb is always "passive" indicating that God is the one producing this action.
- **Tongues,** Why did God choose this way to express the filling by the Holy Spirit?

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Tongues, the options;

- 1. A supernatural language given for the purpose of communicating with the people gathered from all over the Roman Empire.**
- 2. Human languages that were recognized by individuals from various lands.**
- 3. The Greek language that was common to all the people gathered from throughout the Roman world.**

II.A. As all await, The Spirit Descends (Part 2)

II.A.3 Devout men of every nation (2:5-11)

Introversion II.A.3.a Gathered because of noise (2:5)

II.A.3.a.i Bewildered over the many voices (2:6)

II.A.3.a.ii Amazed and marveled (2:7)

II.A.3.b Gathered from many nations (2:8-11) Nations

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Nations represented at Pentecost



Acts 2:8b–10 (ESV) ⁹ Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome,

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II.A. As all await, The Spirit Descends (Part 3)

II.A.4 Amazed & Doubting (12-13)

II.A.4.a Many ask what does this mean (2:12)

II.A.4.b Some suggest they are drunk on wine (2:13)

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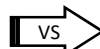
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Reference to Joel 2:28-31 (16:21)  VS

II.B.2 Appeal to Men of Israel (2:22-24)

Reference to Psalm 16:8-11 (2:25-28)

II.B.3 Appeal to Men and Brothers (2:29-33)

Reference to Psalm 110:1 (2:34-36)

Repeated Alternation

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Joel 2:28–31 (ESV)

- ²⁸ “And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. ²⁹ Even on the male and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit.
- ³⁰ “And I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. ³¹ The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes.

Questions: How was Peter intending to use Joel 2:28-31 here:

1. Complete fulfillment at pentecost
2. No Fulfillment yet
3. Continuous fulfillment since Pentecost
4. Partial fulfillment at Pentecost
5. Full fulfillment at Pentecost and later. ie, Now on the church, Later on Israel

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
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Psalm 16:8-11 (ESV)

- ⁸ I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken. ⁹ Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure. ¹⁰ For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption. ¹¹ You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

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Psalm 110:1 (ESV)

- ¹ The LORD says to my Lord:
"Sit at my right hand, until I make
your enemies your footstool."

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Peter's Proclamation of the Gospel

Three proofs that Jesus is the Messiah

The Miracles Acts 2:22 (ESV)

²² "Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know

The Resurrection Acts 2:24, 32 (ESV)

²⁴ God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it.

³² This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses.

The Exaltation (33-35)

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Three proofs that Jesus is the Messiah (cont)

The Exaltation Acts 2:33–35 (ESV)

³³ Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. ³⁴ For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, " 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, ³⁵ until I make your enemies your footstool." ' "

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Three proofs that Jesus is the Messiah (cont)

The Application Acts 2:36 (ESV)

³⁶ Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

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??? What do verses 23, and 36 teach about the relationship of divine sovereignty and human responsibility ???

Acts 2:23 (ESV) ²³ this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men.

Acts 2:36 (ESV) ³⁶ Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

Divine sovereignty never cancels out human responsibility.

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II.C.1 Response — conviction (2:37)

Apostolic counsel (2:38-40)

Conversions (2:41 -)

Souls Added (- 2:41)

Continuation (42)

II.C.2 Response — fear (2:43 -)

Apostolic miracles (- 2:43)

Conversions (2:44-45)

Continuation (2:46-47-)

Souls Added (- 2:47)



Alternation

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Is Peter teaching ...

Acts 2:38 (ESV) ³⁸ And Peter said to them,
 "Repent and be baptized every one of you in
 the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness
 of your sins, and you will receive the gift of
 the Holy Spirit.

- What was Peter teaching about being baptized?
 - Are you to be baptized for the forgiveness of your sins
 - Are you to be baptized as a sign of your repentance and forgiveness

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*** Consider Exodus 32:28**

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