

## ACTS 2:1-21 Listening Guide

**God sends the promised Holy Spirit at Pentecost, baptizing and filling the apostles.**

### 1. Acts 2:1-13 Pentecost marks the birth of the church with the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

#### 6 Encouraging Points about the Baptism and Filling of the Holy Spirit

1. It is the teaching of Jesus. Luke 17:21, Acts 1:5, 8
2. God the Father gifts you with the Holy Spirit when you repent of sin and confess Jesus as Lord. Acts 2:38
3. A believer who is filled with the Holy Spirit acts at the will of God. V 4
4. The baptism of the Holy Spirit is transforming. It makes you a new creature/creation! 2 Corinthians 5:14-18
  - Circumcises your heart. Romans 2:29
  - Cannot be undone. Salvation is not something you have that you can lose. It's who you are; saved, sealed. Ephesians 1:13
5. The baptism of the Holy Spirit is a one time occurrence, but God commands us to be continually filled to capacity with His Spirit. Ephesians 5:18
6. The Holy Spirit manifests differently in people according to God's will and purposes but always in power and as a witness. 1 Corinthians 12:11, Acts 1:8
  - Acts 2:3-4 Different languages.
  - Acts 4:8, 13 Defending, explaining the Christian faith
  - Acts 6:3-4 Doing tasks, serving, teaching
  - 1 Corinthians 12, Romans 12, Ephesians 4

#### The Filling of the Holy Spirit is:

1. Commanded and to be continual. Ephesians 5:18
2. Power for witnessing. Acts 1:8
3. Necessary to please God. Romans 8:8
4. God's provision to serve in power. Luke 4:1, Acts 6:3
5. God provision for you in trials, weakness, persecution. Acts 7:55

**Encouragement:** God loves you and seeks you wherever you are to save you soul for heaven.

**Warning:** A person can be religious and miss God.

### 2. Acts 2:14-21 Peter takes his stand and *stands on* the fulfillment of prophecy.

Peter's Example for Us, Acts 2:14-17

14 **Stand** for Christ.

14-16 **Speak** for Christ on the authority of Scripture.

15-17 **Study** the Bible so God's Word is in your heart and the Spirit can bring it to your mind.

**Principle:** The Heavenly Father acts suddenly. Be encouraged if you are saved and looking to Him. Be warned if you are ignoring Him.

**Apply God's Word:** Sometimes we can lose sight of Christ's purposes and the Spirit's reign in our life. Will you be encouraged that your Heavenly Father is in control? Will you cut out the unnecessary in your life and be filled with and walk by Christ's indwelling Spirit for His purposes?

**What is your prayer? Record it below.**