

THE DISCIPLES AFTER THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS ACTS 2:1-13.

Last week we studied Acts 1:1-26: The disciples met with Jesus on the Mount of Olive. He told them to wait for the gift from the Father, that not many days from then they would be baptized with the Holy Ghost. The disciples questioned Him, if He was about to establish His earthly kingdom. He told them that it was not for them to know the day or the hour that the Father has set for His purpose, what was important was that they would receive power after the Holy Ghost came upon them; and they would be His witnesses, beginning in Jerusalem, Judaea, Samaria and to the ends of the earth. After He was finished speaking to them, he ascended into heaven.

The disciples were looking up and gazing in amazement. Two men dressed in white appeared to them and told them that the same Jesus that they saw taken up into heaven, will return the same way He was taken up into heaven. After that they left and went to Jerusalem to wait as they were commanded to do. At Jerusalem they went into an upper room where some of the disciples were staying. Those in the upper room were 120, they were all in agreement. While they waited, they prayed.

Peter reminded them that the scriptures must be fulfilled, someone should be appointed to fill the vacancy created by Judas who betrayed Jesus. The one selected should be a person who had been proven to be faithful and had been with them from the baptism of Jesus to that very day. Mathias was chosen as the next apostle to be a witness of what Jesus did and taught from His baptism to His ascension.

Today we will study Acts 2:1-13:

1 And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

3 And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

5 And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.

6 Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language.

7 And they were all amazed and marveled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galileans?

8 And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born?

9 Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judaea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia,

10 Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes,

11 Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

12 And they were all amazed, and were in doubt, saying one to another, What meaneth this?

13 Others mocking said, These men are full of new wine.

THE DAY OF PENTECOST:

This passage begins with “and when the day of Pentecost was fully come”. It is connecting this chapter with the previous. The disciples were in the upper room waiting. It said when it was fully come. Pentecost is fifty days from Easter or Passover. The Israelites celebrated Pentecost every

year, it was a festive time when they celebrated the First Fruit also known as the Feast of Weeks and the Feast of “50 days “. They also use Pentecost as a reminder of God giving the laws to Moses on Mount Sinai on that day.

The disciples were-waiting, they expected the gift from the Father, but they did not know when. It is important to observe that on that day the disciples were United, the Bible says they were all with one accord in one place; (2) “and suddenly there came a sound from heaven like a mighty rushing wind and it filled all the house where they were sitting. (3) And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as fire, and it sat upon each of them. (4) And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak in other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.” We will spend some time analyzing these three verses. Acts 1: 2-4.