

Acts 2 - Pentecost

1. Read **Acts 2:1-13**. Why were so many Jewish people gathered in Jerusalem?

2. What happened to the apostles when they were gathered together?

3. What were the two reactions the witnesses had to what they were seeing and hearing?

Positive _____

Negative _____

4. According to **Acts 2:14-21**, how did Peter interpret the strange signs of Pentecost?

5. List two or three main points from the rest of Peter's sermon in **Acts 2:22-36**.

A. _____

B. _____

C. _____

6. **Verse 36** is really important. Color it in your Bible and fill in the blanks:

"Therefore let the entire house of _____ know with

_____ that _____ has made him both _____ and

_____, this _____ whom you _____."

7. **Acts 2:37-47** tells of the reaction to Peter's sermon. How many people were baptized?
8. They, too, received "the gift of the Holy Spirit," and they showed it by the way they lived.
- D. They paid attention to the apostles' _____.
 - E. They gathered together in _____.
 - F. They broke _____ together.
 - G. They _____ together.
 - H. They shared their _____ with each other.
 - I. They spent much time in the _____.
 - J. They ate their food together with _____ hearts.
9. Which of these do you find most interesting? Why?
10. When someone is baptized today, the pastor usually prays a prayer like this, that the gift of the Holy Spirit will be poured out on the person.
- God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, we give you thanks for freeing your sons and daughters from the power of sin and for raising us up to a new life through this holy sacrament. Pour your Holy Spirit upon us: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence. Amen.
- When would be a good time to repeat this prayer in our lives today?
11. By the way, did you know that Pentecost is sometimes called "the Birthday of the Church"? We celebrate Pentecost every year 50 days after Easter. Why?