Acts: A Christ-Centered, Spirit-Empowered, Multiethnic Church On Mission

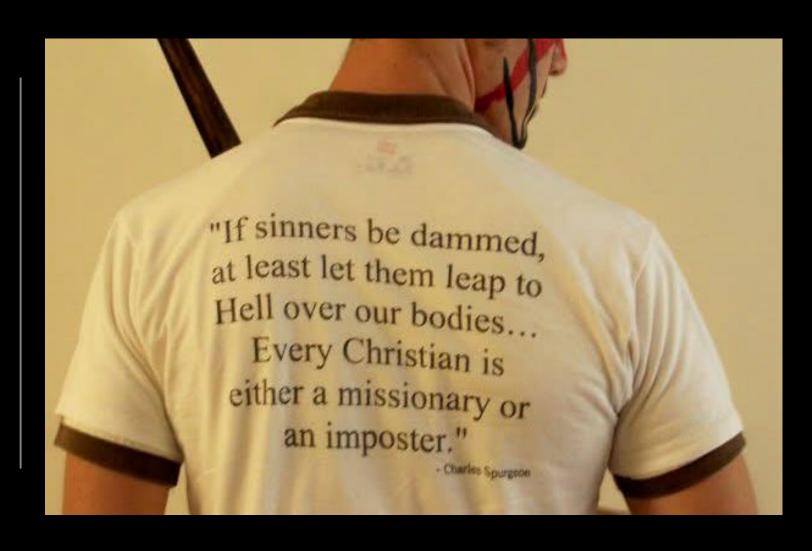


The Promise of the Father



Sympathy is no substitution for action
- David Livingston





Acts 2:1-13

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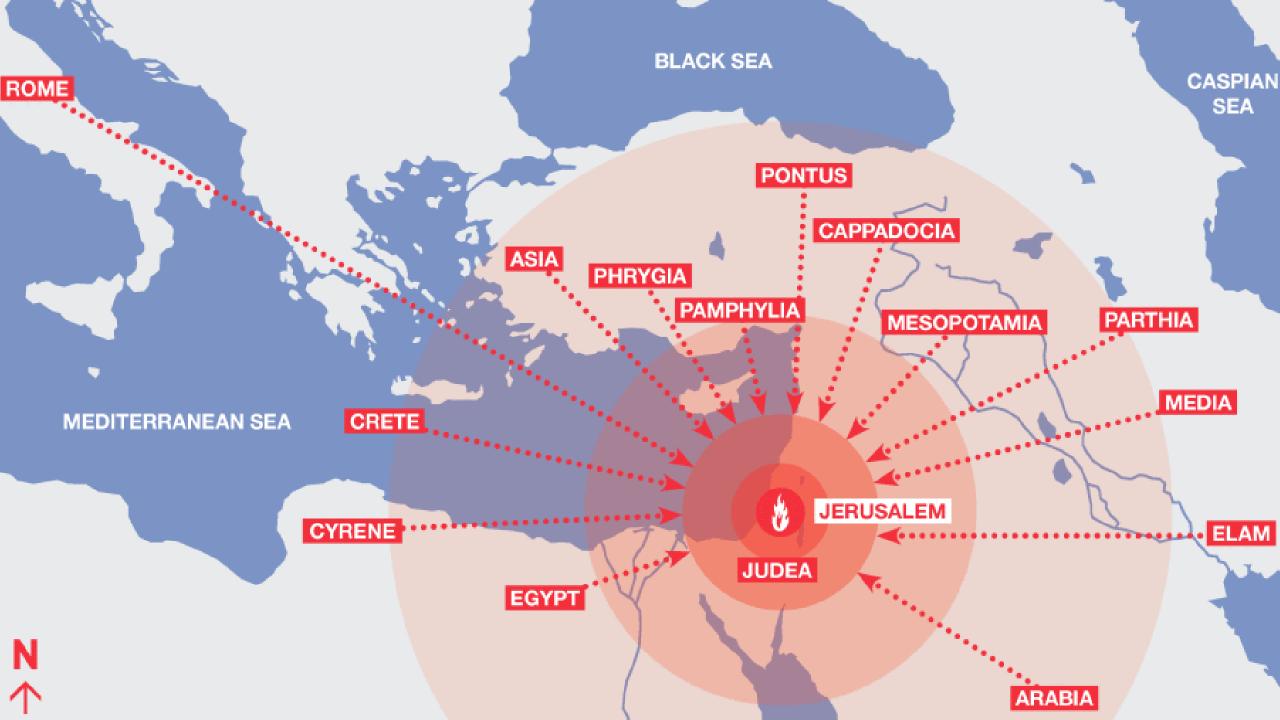
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Luke 3:22

the Holy Spirit descended on Him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, You are my beloved Son with you I am well pleased.

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[4] And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. [5] Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven. [6] And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language. [7] And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? [8] And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language? [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, [11] both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians—we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God." [12] And allwere amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" [13] But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."



Tower of Babel

Pentecost is the inauguration of a Christcentered, Spiritempowered, multiethnic church sent on mission to be witnesses of Jesus that cross geographic and linguistic barriers reversing the Tower of Babel.



What does Pentecost mean for us today?

- Have you received the Holy Spirit?
- Are you filled with the Spirit to be a witness of Jesus?
- How are you participating in reversing the Tower of Babel that the Holy Spirit started at Pentecost?