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

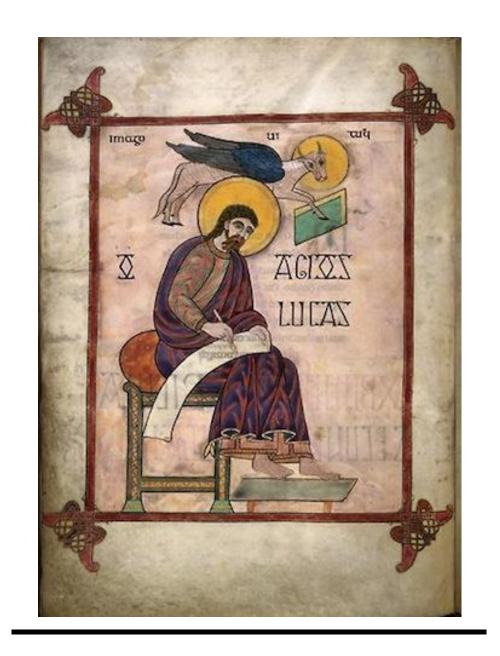


Pentecost Explained



Acts 2:14-21

- 1. The Role of Peter in Luke's Narrative
- 2. The Role of Speeches in Luke's Narrative
- 3. The Role of Prophesy in Luke's Narrative



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1. The Role of Peter in Luke's Narrative – Acts 2:14

[14] But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words. [15] For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. [16] But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel:

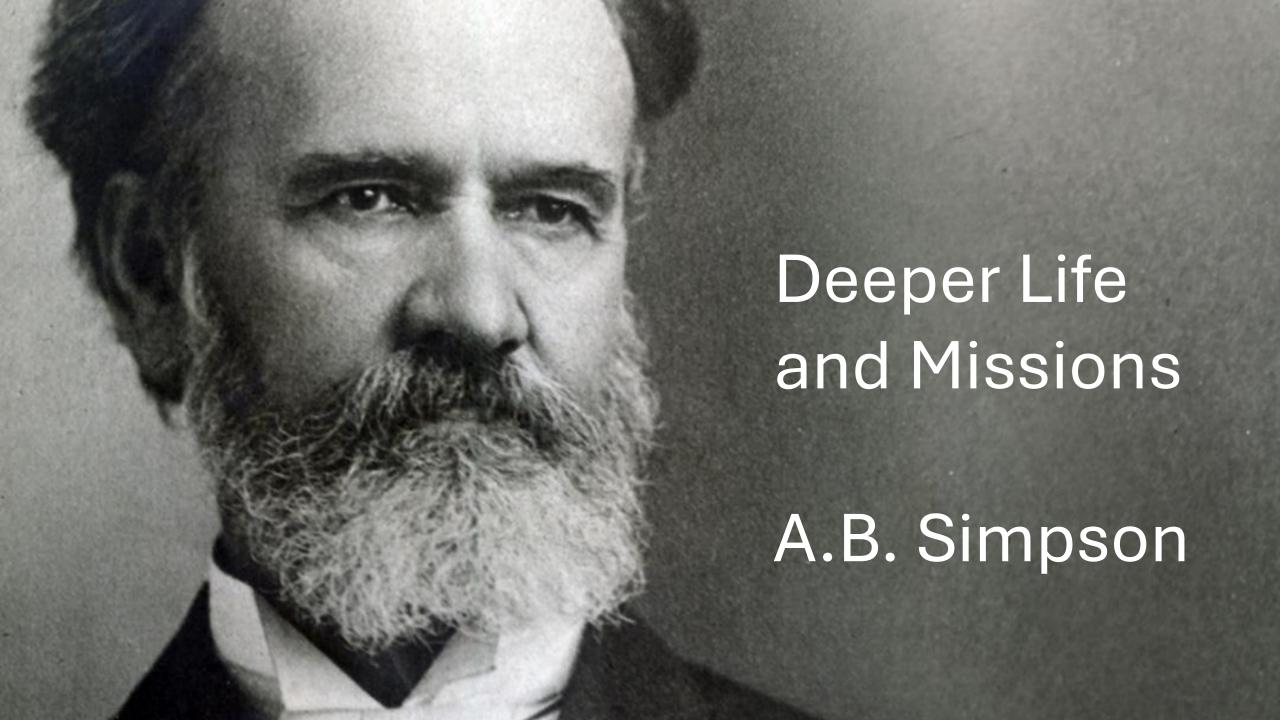
2. The Role of Speeches in Luke's Narrative – Acts 2:14-16

[17] "And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams; [18] even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. [19] And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; [20] the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. [21] And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

3. The Role of Prophecy in Luke's Narrative – Acts 2:17-21

[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. [32] And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the LORD has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the LORD calls.

Joel 2:28-32



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- 1. Our whole life and practice should center around Jesus as we see Peter being Christ-centered in his interpretation of Scripture and his application of being discipled by Jesus.
- 2. We are all to use our gifts and talents and skills to further the gospel's advance.
- 3. Do you know Jesus as your Savior and Lord? Have you been filled with the Holy Spirit and experienced the deeper life of intimacy with the risen Jesus Christ imparted to us by the Spirit?

Application