

## The Spirit Gives Utterance

Acts 2:1-13

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### I. Pentecost. Acts 2:1

The Holiday of \_\_\_\_\_ was celebrated to remember the Children of Israel being freed from slavery by the LORD.

- The Day of Pentecost celebrates the Firstfruits of the early spring harvest. As Christians, we are to \_\_\_\_\_ to the LORD the Firstfruits of our time, talents, and treasure.

On the **Day of Pentecost** in the Old Testament, Israel received the Law. On the **Day of Pentecost** in the New Testament, the Church received \_\_\_\_\_ with the fullness of the Holy Spirit. **John 1:17**

### II. An early form of witnessing. Acts 2:2-4

Remember Jesus told His followers (**Acts 1:8**) they would become witnesses of Him, and here the LORD begins to use these people as loudspeakers of His \_\_\_\_\_ and wonders.

1. An \_\_\_\_\_ ready to receive a message from the LORD.
2. A speaker who allows the LORD to use them as a \_\_\_\_\_.
  - a. To convict the world of \_\_\_\_\_. **John 16:8, Romans 3:23**
  - b. To convict the world of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - c. To convict the world of \_\_\_\_\_. **2 Corinthians 5:21**
  - d. The Holy Spirit leads us in all \_\_\_\_\_. **John 8:31-32**

### III. The Gospel was preached in many languages. Acts 2:5-12

Galileans were not known for being \_\_\_\_\_ of speech, so the crowd began to realize that this was a work of God.

- What we should glean from this passage is that these Disciples spoke and people from all these different language groups understood the Gospel in a \_\_\_\_\_ and powerful way.

### IV. Some mock when the LORD moves. Acts 2:13

1. Some are \_\_\_\_\_ to action by a need being revealed.
2. Some catch the \_\_\_\_\_ and join in.
3. Some see the LORD moving and \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ Him and His people.

### V. Conclusion.

Jesus promised His followers the Comforter would come and now we can walk in the Spirit and share His love with others as He gives us \_\_\_\_\_.

### Small Group Discussion

*Looking back at your notes from this week's sermon, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?*

1. Read **Acts 2:1**. What does the Passover holiday celebrate? Why is Passover significant for Christians? What is significant about the Day of Pentecost for believers? What Firstfruits can we offer the LORD?  
**1 Corinthians 5:6-8, Joel 2:32, Luke 24:49, John 1:17, Leviticus 2:12, 1 Corinthians 15:20, 2 Corinthians 9:6-7**
2. Read **Acts 2:2-4**. Discuss the two things that are needed to hear from the LORD as described in point II. of the sermon note sheet. Discuss the three-fold ministry of the Holy Spirit.  
**Mark 13:11, John 16:8-13**
3. Read **Acts 2:5-12**. What was so impressive about these Disciples speaking in other languages? Who were the people in Jerusalem on the Day of Pentecost? What significance does speaking in different languages or tongues have in this context?
4. Read **Galatians 5:16** and **Ephesians 5:18**. How did the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost change the disciples' lives? In what ways can you allow the Holy Spirit to lead you in your day-to-day life, as the early disciples did?
5. How can the events in **Acts 2** encourage you in your personal walk with God and involvement in your local Church?
6. How does the Holy Spirit empower us for witnessing, as seen in this chapter?

(Some questions are taken from Biblehub)