Pentecost: The Power to Speak the Gospel Acts 2:1-13 September 6, 2020

Our hearts are restless until they find their rest in Him.

If you want to know God, you need the Holy Spirit.

According to Acts 1, what 4 things are foundational to the witness of the early Church?

What was Pentecost in the Older Covenant?

Known as the Feast of Weeks (Exodus 34:22a, Deut 16:10)

First Fruits (Numbers 28:26; Exodus 23:16).

Is there a connection between Pentecost and the Giving of the Law?

Three Signs of the Presence and Power of the Spirit

Wind. John 3:8, Fire. Ex 3:2-5. Speech. Numbers 11:26-29

Pentecost is the power to speak the Word.

The Fire Divided to them all.

Speaking in Known Languages (v 6b, 8, 11)

Speaking the Mighty Works of God. v 11b.

Baptism of the Spirit versus Filled with the Spirit

What is the baptism of the Spirit?

What is the second blessing?

Must we speak in tongues?

Filled with the Spirit

This can happen more than once. (Acts 4:8; 4:31; 9:17; 13:9-10)

Iain Murray, "All Christians are to pray for the Holy Spirit. We are to seek more of his grace and power than we presently know."

Who received the Spirit?

Devout men, From every nation under heaven.

How is Pentecost a reversal of Babel?

What was the reaction to the coming of the Spirit?

Astonishment and ridicule.

Application:

Pray for more of the Spirit.