

## **“I WILL POUR OUT MY SPIRIT”**

Acts 2:1–21

Key Verse: 2:17

1. How is the coming of the Holy Spirit described (1–4)<sup>1</sup>? What can we learn from these details about the nature and work of the Holy Spirit?
2. How do people react to the Spirit's coming on Jesus' followers (5–13)? What do you think God was saying through this?
3. How does Peter begin to respond (14–15)? Read verses 16–18. What is the significance that this event fulfilled the words of Joel? What does it mean to “prophesy”?
4. What else did God promise (19a), and how is this being fulfilled?<sup>2</sup> What other details are here (19b–20), and what do they predict (Luke 21:15)? What is “the day of the Lord”?<sup>3</sup>
5. What is the prophet Joel's conclusion (21), and how does this apply to us?<sup>4</sup> How can we experience the Holy Spirit's coming upon us today?

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<sup>1</sup> “Pentecost” was also known as the Festival of Harvest (Ex.23:16a) or “the day of the firstfruits” (Num.28:26).

<sup>2</sup> 2:22,43; 4:30; 5:12; 6:8; 14:3; 15:12.

<sup>3</sup> 1 Cor.1:8; Phil.1:6,10; 2 Pet.3:10.

<sup>4</sup> Rom.10:12–13.