

SENIOR BIBLE FELLOWSHIP ASSIGNMENT: MAY 26, 2026

After Jesus was resurrected, he told the disciples, "...not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, 'you heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now'". So the disciples were waiting in Jerusalem.

On the day of the Pentecost they heard a sound like a rushing wind and divided tongues of fire appeared to rest on each of them. Filled with the Holy Spirit they began to speak in other tongues. This attracted a crowd because they too heard the loud sound. Then the crowd was bewildered because they heard the Galileans speaking in their own native language... Egyptian, Parthian, Phrygia, Libya, etc. Some thought they were drunk, however Peter stepped forward and said they were not drunk...they were basking in the power of the Holy Spirit. Peter quoted from the prophet Joel on what will happen when God pours out his Spirit on all flesh, and how everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

Peter told them that it was they who crucified Jesus through the hands of lawless men. They saw Jesus die and three days later found out Jesus was alive. Peter told them that God raised Jesus up and they are all witnesses. Convicted, they were cut to the heart, and asked the apostles what they should do...

Acts 2:36 - 47

³⁶ Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

³⁷ Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" ³⁸ And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. ³⁹ For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself."

⁴⁰ And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." ⁴¹ So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

⁴² And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. ⁴³ And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. ⁴⁴ And all who believed were together and had all things in common. ⁴⁵ And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. ⁴⁶ And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

QUESTIONS:

Peter, emboldened by the Holy Spirit quotes the prophet Joel and convicts those who shouted for Jesus to be crucified. Now knowing that they were the ones who crucified Jesus, they were convicted and asked the apostles what they should now do? Isn't this a question we should be asking of God everyday?

Please read Acts 2:36 – 47 and be ready to discuss the following questions.

1. How did Peter respond when the people asked what they should do?
2. How many of the people responded to the Holy Spirit's leading?
3. How would you describe in one word what is happening amongst the believers in Acts 2:42 - 47?
4. List some of the things which the believers did in Acts 2:42 – 47.
5. Of the things discussed in Question #4, which ones do you also do?
6. Of the things discussed in Question #4, name one which you believe the Holy Spirit is trying to grow in you?