Questions on Acts chapter 2

1. What was the day of Pentecost and upon what day of the week did it fall? Verse 1.

2. How does the grammatical construction of Acts 1:26 and Acts 2:1 point only to the twelve as those baptized in the Holy Spirit? Verse 1.

3. Does “it” that “filled all the house where they were sitting” refer to the sound, the wind, or the Holy Spirit? Verse 2.

4. Describe the *visible* sign that accompanied the *audible* sign that was like a rushing, mighty wind. Verse 3.

5. What statement of Jesus in Acts chapter 1 was fulfilled on this day? Verse 4.

6. What was the evidence that the apostles were filled with the Holy Spirit? Verse 4.

7. What kind of Jews were at Jerusalem and what called them to the temple to hear Peter’s words? Verses 5-6.

8. What is the third miracle here besides the sound and the tongues like fire? Verse 6.

9. Why were the hearers amazed when the apostles, all Galileans, were able to do what they did? Verse 7.

10. Was this a miracle by those who had the baptism of the Holy Spirit (the apostles) or those who did not have the Holy Spirit (the hearers)? In other words, was this a miracle of hearing or speaking? Verse 8.

11. Is the list of people present linguistic or geographical? Verse 9.

12. What were all these nationalities doing in Jerusalem? Verse 10.

13. What do you think would be included in “the wonderful works of God”? Verse 11.

14. What was the reaction of the multitude toward the things that happened? Verse 12.

15. What do you think caused some to say the apostles were full of new wine—a wine that McGarvey and others say was very intoxicating? Verse 13.

16. Why was Peter the speaker at this time? Verse 14.

17. How does Peter effectively answer the charge of drunkenness? Verse 15.

18. Where is the prophecy of Joel to be found? Verse 16.

19. Are we living today in the last days? If so, when did they begin? Verse 17. (See Acts 11:15)

20. What were to be the effects of the entrance of the Holy Spirit, according to Joel’s prophecy? Verse 17.

21. Does the New Testament record any instance of “daughters prophesying”? Verse 18.

22. Do we have any evidence that these things happened on the day of Pentecost? If not, how do we explain? Verse 19.

23. Does Joel’s prophecy cover the whole “last days”? If so, could this prophecy refer to the events on the day of the Lord, that is, the final judgment day? Verses 19-20.

24. What does it mean to “call upon the name of the Lord”? From what will they who call upon the name of the Lord be saved? Verse 21.

25. Can you name four facts stated by Peter in the opening words of his message that answered the multitude’s question: What meaneth this? Verses 22-24.

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26. Which two of the four facts needed no proof? Verses 22-24.

27. Why would the words of Peter in these verses strike conviction in the hearts of his hearers? Verses 22-24.

28. How did Peter offer proof of the two facts requiring it, namely, that God had pre-determined what happened and that God raised up Jesus? Verses 25-26.

29. What happens to the soul and body at death? Where do they go? Verse 27.

30. How did Peter state the resurrection both negatively and positively in this and the previous verse? Verse 28.

31. How does Peter show that David did not speak of himself even though he spoke in the first person? Verse 29.

32. What is meant by “the fruit of his loins” and what did David foresee as a prophet? Verse 30.

33. Why didn’t Jesus’ body see corruption? Verse 31.

34. How does Peter prove that Jesus rose from the dead? Verse 32.

35. How does Peter prove that Jesus ascended to heaven and sat down upon his throne? Verse 33.

36. How does Peter show, by something even the Pharisees admitted, that it was not David that ascended into the heavens? Verses 34-35. (See Matthew 22:42-46)

37. What is the conclusion to Peter’s arguments? Verse 36.

38. What was the reaction of the multitude to Peter’s arguments? Why were they concerned about what to do? Verse 37.

39. What were they to do and what was it for? Verse 38.

40. To whom was the promise? Verse 39.

41. What would happen to that generation that Peter needed to exhort them to save themselves from it? Verse 40.

42. Did they quibble and argue about the need for baptism? Verse 41.

43. What is described in this verse? Define each item? Verse 42.

44. What do you think inspired the “fear” that came upon every soul? Verse 43.

45. How was the common life of the disciples different from communism? Verses 44-45.

46. Does the term “breaking bread” here refer to the communion? If not, why not? Verse 46.

47. What happened to the saved? Did they join a church? Verse 47.

48. Who added them to the church? Were any unsaved added to the church? If not, why? Verse 47.