

Coming Together

- If you could speak another language fluently, which would it be and why?
- If you had to give a speech before a large crowd, what topic would you want to speak on?

Adding to Our Understanding

- Read Acts 2:1-4. Who was gathered together? Why were they gathered? What happened to them in these first four verses?
- Acts 2:4 says “they spoke in tongues” this can be a misunderstood phrase. Here in Acts 2, it is clear what Luke was writing about. Read Acts 2:5-10. Who was present in Jerusalem at the time? What did the Spirit filled believers do?
- How did these travelers react when they heard Christians speaking to them in their own languages? (Acts 2:6-11)
- Read Acts 2:12-13. Besides being amazed, what was the general reaction of the crowd to the unusual happening they witnessed?
- What did Peter say about Jesus’ life and ministry in his speech recorded for us in Acts 2:16-36?

Unwrapping God’s Principles

- Try to put your sandals on and enter the biblical scene. If you were one of those foreign travelers and saw the events of Acts 2, how might you have responded? How did they respond? (see Acts 2:7, 12-13, 37, 40-41). Why do you think people responded different to what they saw and heard?
- Why is it significant that Peter’s explanation of these supernatural events is rooted in Scripture? Read Acts 2:16-21 and Joel 2:28-32.
- How do you think you and our church might benefit from a greater understanding of the ministry of the Holy Spirit?
- Why do you think Luke in his writing of Acts is continually reminding us of the impact the gospel message has on people (see Acts 2:38-41)? What impact should this have on our focus and mission as a church?

Deepening Our Hearts for God

- Is there anything God has been asking or prodding you to do and you just haven’t felt the courage, resources, or power to attempt it? How can your group pray for you in this?
- How does the lesson and life of Peter in Acts 2 help you with what God is asking of you?

Looking Ahead

Read Jonah 1-2. How has Jonah responded to God? What was the result?

