

# Pentecost

## Acts 1: 12-14 / 2: 1-13

This book is called the Acts of the Apostles. These Acts are what took place after the fulfillment of Jesus' plan in birthing the Church.

Before Jesus ascended into heaven he gave strict instructions Acts 1: 3-5 that they were to \_\_\_\_\_ for the gift that the Father had \_\_\_\_\_ and that Jesus Himself had \_\_\_\_\_ about. They would be \_\_\_\_\_ with fire.

1: Prayer always \_\_\_\_\_ doing the \_\_\_\_\_ given by the Spirit power. *Experiencing the living Jesus and knowing thoroughly the content of the gospels, is not sufficient for effective ministry. The substance of what we proclaim and live as good news must first of all be grounded in a community that is given over to constant prayer and worship.* ---New Interpreters Bible commentary.

2: The Spirit's mission is to \_\_\_\_\_ us to carry out God's various tasks and \_\_\_\_\_ of the community. *Spirit poured out on God's people...*

3: They are coming together to learn to \_\_\_\_\_ on God. God's Spirit is poured out in a community of believers.

4: Pentecost was one of 3 pilgrimage feasts when the entire household of Israel gathered together to celebrate the \_\_\_\_\_ of God toward the \_\_\_\_\_.

5: The Spirit's arrival is noisy and full of special effects. This brings amazement, and leaves the people bewildered, and astonished... Acts 2: 6, 7, 12 *by those watching, not those receiving.*

Those who received put in the work of prayer and study. Maybe we are not receiving because we have not put in the time of prayer and study.

6: Tongues. This language \_\_\_\_\_ where division of language breaks us a part.

They were not just filled to communicate more effectively but to elevate their understanding of God and His plan, and this enables them to communicate this plan with others. God's true purpose for the gift of language is to give Him praise, and unite us to each other.

7: Acts 2: 7 points out that even though the Spirit was speaking through them, they still could hear their common dialect. The biggest fear of complete surrender of God is that we will lose \_\_\_\_\_ completely.