

## LESSONS LEARNED FROM ACTS 2

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**Sermon in a Sentence:** Let the Holy Spirit fill and change your life today.

**Sermon Purpose:** That believers will be filled and/or refilled with the Holy Spirit.

**Text:** Acts 2:1-46

### Introduction

1. We have just read about the Day of Pentecost.
2. Pentecost set a pattern for the rest of the Age of the Spirit.
3. We learn three important lessons from this story:

### I. Like the Disciples Before Pentecost, We must Long for the Power of the Holy Spirit in Our Church and in Our Personal Lives Today.

- A. We must long for Him to manifest Himself in our midst (vv.1-3).
- B. We must long for Him to fill us with His power and presence today (v.4).
- C. If we do these things, we can expect our city/town/village to take note of what is happening (vv. 5-13).

### II. Like Disciples at Pentecost, We must Understand What the Spirit's Coming Will Mean in Our Lives and to Our Church.

- A. It will mean that we are following in the biblical pattern set down by God for all believers (vv.14-18).
- B. It will mean that we can expect a new revelation of Jesus in our lives and ministries (vv. 22-24; 32-33, 36).

- C. It will mean that we will become a truly functioning part of God's great prophetic community—the Church (vv. 17-18, 4 with 14).

### III. Like the Disciples at Pentecost, We Can Expect Our Church and Our Lives to Be Transformed by the Spirit's Coming in Power.

- A. Sinners will sense the presence of the Spirit in our midst, and they will be convinced and convicted of their sins (v. 37).
- B. Our altars will be filled with people calling on Christ (v. 41).
- C. Our church will be strong and powerful:
  - Strong in unity (v. 42).
  - Strong in spiritual power (v. 43).
  - Strong in love (vv. 44-45).
  - Filled with joy (v. 46).

### Conclusion and Altar Call

1. We must be like the believers in on the Day of Pentecost.
2. Come now to be baptized in the Holy Spirit!

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