

WARM-UP

- Describe your daily routine after waking up. How do you prepare for the day ahead?
- Which language would you like to learn and speak fluently? Why?
- Name one unforgettable lesson a parent, guardian, or mentor taught you. Why did it make an impact?

WORD

*¹When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them. ⁴And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. **ACTS 2:1-4***

When the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples at Pentecost, each of them were filled with the Spirit, and this manifested in the disciples speaking in many different tongues. The division that happened as a result of man's disobedience to fill the earth in Genesis 11 was reversed in Acts 2 when the Holy Spirit came and gave the disciples the supernatural ability to communicate in different languages. The Holy Spirit was at work then, and He is still at work now. In this lesson, we will see how the Holy Spirit gives us the same power, the same mission, and the same message, even today.

1 The Same Power

16“But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: 17‘And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams . . .’” ACTS 2:16,17

The same Holy Spirit that empowered the disciples to preach boldly so many years ago is the same Holy Spirit that empowers us to go and make disciples of all nations today. God has called us to be His witnesses (Acts 1:8) wherever we are and wherever we will go. Recall a time when the Holy Spirit empowered you to boldly preach the gospel to a family member, friend, or stranger. What happened?

2 The Same Message

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.” ACTS 2:38

The gospel is for every person of every culture in every nation and in every time period. We make use of different methods to engage our culture and community to tell others about what Jesus has done for us—His sinless life, perfect death, and powerful resurrection. Who preached the gospel to you, and how did you surrender your life to Christ?

3 The Same Mission

“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.”

ACTS 2:39

(Read also **MATTHEW 28:19,20.**)

The Great Commission—to *go and make disciples of all nations* (Matthew 28:19)—was not only given to the apostles, but also to us, by the same power of the Holy Spirit. Since God’s intent is to *fill the earth and subdue it* (Genesis 1:28), we are not to stop preaching the same message of the gospel until all of the world knows and believes in Him. What does Jesus promise us as we participate in His mission? (Matthew 28:20)

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APPLICATION

- What is the gospel, and how has it changed your life? Do you believe that if you repent and believe in Jesus as your Lord and Savior, you will also be empowered by the Holy Spirit?
- Name at least three people you know who need to hear the gospel. How can you help lead them to Christ knowing that the Holy Spirit has empowered you?
- How can you be more intentional in telling others about the good news of salvation to your family, friends, classmates, and colleagues? Share one thing you will do differently this week.

PRAYER

- Thank God for being with us until the very end of the age, and for the Holy Spirit, who empowers us to be His witnesses. Thank Him for the same power, the same message, and the same mission we are carrying out with Him.
- Pray that you would be an effective minister of the gospel, and that every area of your life will reflect Him. Believe for open doors to preach the gospel.
- Thank God for our missionaries who serve in different nations for the sake of the gospel. Commit to pray for church growth and more church plants for one nation this week.

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