

WAITING #7

Acts 1; Joel 2; Isaiah 58

05/31/2020
Sunday a.m.

SLIDE 1 – FEEDBACK TIME – Post on FB Live Stream or text 775-322-3004

SLIDE 2 –WAITING #7 – MAIN SLIDE

- 2020 – Compelled by Jesus – Deep love for God, His Word & presence
- **Def. “to wait for” – QAVAH** – *to wait patiently, w/hope & trust*
- **Pentecost Sunday** – celebration of the Feast of Weeks (celebrate the harvest)
 - 49 days after Easter – **party time** for Jewish world – early harvest
 - Pilgrims from all over to Jerusalem – ‘homecoming week’

SLIDE 3 – WAITING FOR THE PROMISE

- Promises & commandments – God fulfills promises, we obey His commands
- Prophets – relaying God’s promise(s) of a transformed future
 - Not something WE do or usher in; God will do it
 - I will restore; I will bring you back; I will make a way;
 - I will make streams in the desert; highways in the wilderness

SLIDE 4 – THE PROMISE OF THE FATHER

- There’s a couple promises from the prophets Isaiah & Joel that jumps out
- Signals the coming of the Messiah & a dynamic shift in the world
 - **Isaiah 7:14** – Immanu’El – God with us – the incarnation is part of it;
 - Other part of the promise of the Father is re: HS/3rd member of Trinity

SLIDES 5-7 – JOEL 2:28-32

SLIDE 8 – RESTORATION & THE AFTERWARDS

- Joel – prophesying in the aftermath of devastation – locusts
- Entire economy/food source lost
 - Invitation to Israel to repent for sin, humble selves, turn to God
 - THEN He will restore – out of compassion – grain, oil, wine, dignity
 - All symbols of abundance, blessing, & wealth
- “...& it shall come to pass afterwards”
 - Promised Messiah is symbol of God’s compassion & restoration
 - Followed by 2:28-32 – God pours out HS on ALL flesh

SLIDE 9 – THIS WILL CHANGE EVERYTHING

- God will pour out His Spirit on ALL flesh – not just the prophets – REHEARSE
 - Sons & daughters prophesy; old men dream; young men visions

- Male/female servants – EVEN THEY will receive the Spirit
- Ramifications? Holy Spirit – the great equalizer

SLIDES 10-14 – ACTS 1:1-11

SLIDE 15 – COMPELLED BY JESUS

- Jesus ORDERED disciples STAY in Jerusalem – WAIT for promise of the Father
- You **WILL BE** baptized w/the Spirit not many days from now – **prophet Joel**
 - JTB – *I baptize w/water, He will baptize you w/Spirit & w/fire*
- Messiah has come – disciples see the signs: time to establish Your Kingdom?
 - Not for you to know times/seasons fixed by Father’s authority →
- Your job is to WAIT for the Spirit → You will receive POWER to be My witnesses

SLIDE 16 – EMPOWERED BY THE SPIRIT

- **Great Commandment** – *love one another like I love you*
- **Great Commission** – *disciple (do what’s been done w/you) as you go*
 - *Of all nations baptizing in the Name*
 - *Teach, impart, instill, explain everything I’ve given to you*
 - **BUT WAIT FOR THE PROMISE**
- Immanu’El – God w/us forever
 - Indwelling Spirit – fuels our Christ-following lives – w/boldness
 - Convicts of sin, leads into truth, reminds me what Jesus says, gives peace
 - Teaches us what to say when we are called on account
 - Gifts to help self/others grow to full maturity
- Progressive/unfolding revelation – the HS WILL teach you...

SLIDE 17 – ACTS 2

- On the Day of Pentecost – the high point of the festival – HS poured out
- So much more than tongues/spiritual language – bring glory to God

SLIDE 18 – THIS CHANGES EVERYTHING

- Spirit poured out on all people, w/o regard for societal divisions
- Men/women, old/young, slave/free, Jew/Gentile – all people, all nations
- Picture of Heaven – **Rev. 7** – multitudes, every tribe, people group, tongue
 - HS – meant to draw ALL to Jesus;
 - Rest of the prophecy talks about the Day of the Lord –
 - Judgment, righting wrongs, Spirit-facilitated healing & restoring
 - JTB: He will baptize w/Spirit & w/fire – fire burns & refines, makes new
 - **Isaiah 58** – call to righteous fast

SLIDE 19 – BEING & DOING

- What does this mean to us today?
- Be being filled w/the Spirit – to be God’s emissaries of the Gospel Good News
 - **Luke 2** – Good news of great joy for ALL people
 - **Acts 2** – HS poured out on ALL people – God w/us
- To be Jesus’ healing presence in the world
 - Lord Jesus, please do something. HE HAS!
 - He’s put us here to BE & DO what He would BE & DO in our shoes

SLIDES 20-23 – ISAIAH 58:6-12

SLIDE 24 – 2020: COMPELLED BY JESUS

- Theme for 2020 – Compelled, directed (strongly)

SLIDE 25 – WHAT ARE WE DOING WITH THIS?

SLIDE 26 – PRAYER IS AVAILABLE – ANNOUNCE THIS

- Hillside APP – prayer requests – text to church phone or WEB@Hillside4.org
- Make sure “Notifications” are on for both “General” & “Prayer” notifications