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Becoming an Acts 2 Believer
Part 3| Acts 2:1-38

INTRODUCTION

Acts 2 is one of those foundational chapters in Scripture. It tells the story of Pentecost (the coming of the Holy Spirit) and reveals what it truly means to be an Acts 2 believer. We have already covered four characteristics, and today we add two more.

KEY POINTS

1. Be Sharing

If we want to be Acts 2 believers, we must be sharing the Gospel. The first thing the believers did after receiving the Holy Spirit was tell others about Jesus. This was a God-orchestrated moment. People from many nations heard the Gospel in their own language. When we are filled with the Spirit, we can't help but speak about Christ.

Sadly, most believers never share their faith, not because they don't know how, but because they aren't filled with the Spirit. When His presence fills our lives, we'll naturally overflow with a desire for others to know Him. God doesn't want us to lose the joy of our salvation. He wants us to be active in sharing it.

2. Be Unoffendable

Another mark of an Acts 2 believer is to be unoffendable. When the crowd mocked the believers at Pentecost, Peter didn't get defensive; instead, he used it as an opportunity to share Jesus. We live in a culture where people are easily offended and quick to argue, but as believers, we're called to respond differently.

God doesn't need us to defend Him. He can do that Himself. If we allow offense to take root, we might miss our chance to point someone to Christ. When we are filled with the Holy Spirit, He gives us peace in the middle of conflict and the grace to respond with love, turning opposition into opportunity.

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QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

1. When was the last time you shared your faith with someone? What made it easier or harder?

2. How do you usually respond when someone mocks or challenges your faith?

3. What would it look like for you to live "unoffendable" this week and use every situation as a chance to point people to Jesus?

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