

As you Study:

1. **Observation:** what does the text say? This is where you ask the who, what, why, where, and how questions. Who is speaking? Who is present? What is being said? Circle key or repeated words. Highlight important phrases, etc.
2. **Lesson:** this is when you begin to interpret the passage and try to discover what the text *means*. Does the meaning fit with the remainder of this passage and the rest of the Bible? Are there other passages that confirm your interpretation?
3. **Application:** this is where you apply the truths of the the passage to your own life. Now that you know what the text means, how should you respond? Make it personal: how should your life change because of these truths?

Scripture - Acts 2:14-39

1. (v. 14-15) Peter instructs those listening to do something. What is it and why?
2. (v. 16-18) What is the time frame Joel is speaking about (v.17)? What will happen in the last days? What days do you live in now then and how do you know?
3. (19-20) What is the time frame of this portion of the prophesy? When will be that day and how long dose that period last for (Rev 19:11-16 & Rev 20:4-6)?
4. (v.21) Peter quotes this prophesy as evidence to the what God is doing. Why did the Lord speak this prophesy and bring it to pass?

5. (v.22-28) Peter points out who Jesus is, how He revealed Himself, and that they (the listeners) new this. Why was that important? Though lawless hands crucified Jesus causing His death, who allowed this to happen and why is that important theology to know? How did this speak to David the writer of the Psalm quoted?

6. (v.29-35) God revealed to David that the Christ would come through his descendants and the God would raise up the Christ to sit on his throne. How would this message speak to those listening? The Spirit was poured out whom they witnessed by seeing and hearing the Spirit working. Is that important in the life of the believer today (John 16:7-11)?

7. (36-39) How does Peter reveal to those present the need to be saved? What happened to their hearts upon hearing this and what did they ask? What were they to do?

8. In short, Peter, using scripture points out the gospel, the need of repentance and the need of a Saviour who is Jesus. Are you willing to have the Lord speak the gospel through you? The Holy Spirit will enable you, are you willing to pray and ask for His help in this area?

Prayer:

Jesus, you gave you life for me so that I can live for you and share you with others. Help me to be ready to share the gospel with those you desire to reach through me. Lead me by your Spirit that I may be faithful in this area. Amen.

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Act 2:14-39 NKJV

(14) But Peter, standing up with the eleven, raised his voice and said to them, "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and heed my words.

(15) "For these are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is [only] the third hour of the day.

(16) "But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

(17) 'And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, That I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your young men shall see visions, Your old men shall dream dreams.

(18) And on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days; And they shall prophesy.

(19) I will show wonders in heaven above And signs in the earth beneath: Blood and fire and vapor of smoke.

(20) The sun shall be turned into darkness, And the moon into blood, Before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD.

(21) And it shall come to pass [That] whoever calls on the name of the LORD Shall be saved.'

(22) "Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a Man attested by God to you by miracles, wonders, and signs which God did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves also know--

(23) "Him, being delivered by the determined purpose and foreknowledge of God, you have taken by lawless hands, have crucified, and put to death;

(24) "whom God raised up, having loosed the pains of death, because it was not possible that He should be held by it.

(25) "For David says concerning Him: 'I foresaw the LORD always before my face, For He is at my right hand, that I may not be shaken.

(26) Therefore my heart rejoiced, and my tongue was glad; Moreover my flesh also will rest in hope.

(27) For You will not leave my soul in Hades, Nor will You allow Your Holy One to see corruption.

(28) You have made known to me the ways of life; You will make me full of joy in Your presence.'

(29) "Men [and] brethren, let [me] speak freely to you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his tomb is with us to this day.

(30) "Therefore, being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that of the fruit of his body, according to the flesh, He would raise up the Christ to sit on his throne,

(31) "he, foreseeing this, spoke concerning the resurrection of the Christ, that His soul was not left in Hades, nor did His flesh see corruption.

(32) "This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses.

(33) "Therefore being exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear.

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(34) "For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he says himself: 'The LORD said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand,

(35) Till I make Your enemies Your footstool." '

(36) "Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ."

(37) Now when they heard [this], they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Men [and] brethren, what shall we do?"

(38) Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

(39) "For the promise is to you and to your children, and to all who are afar off, as many as the Lord our God will call."