Series: The Acts of the Apostles: From Jerusalem

Text: Acts 2:1-41

HI: Jesus delivered on God's promise.

Title: This Jesus

Hook: TBD

Date: 9.18.22

Purpose: To magnify Jesus by the power of the Spirit for the salvation of God's people.

FCF: The men of Israel had rejected Jesus in their pursuit of religion. By God's grace, he sends his Spirit to bring the truth, convict their hearts, and save them from their sin.

COR: When God is at work, people either ask "What does this mean?" or they mock. Where does this text find you?

Witness of Christ [WC*]: MVM 2 – the prerogative of the Holy Spirit Apologetic: This Jesus will save you from your sins. Repent and believe.

Form: Inductive

Outline:

I. God sent his Spirit with a message for the nations. (1-13)

A. The day was intentional. (1)

B. The day was supernatural. (2-4)

C. The day was universal. (5-11)

D. The day was confusing. (12-13)

II. The Spirit magnifies Jesus as the Savior of sinners. (14-36)

A. Peter clarified that this was prophesied. (14-21)

<u>B. This Jesus...</u>

- Was proven to be God. (22)
- Was delivered up to death. (23)
- Was raised from the grave. (24-32)
- Was exalted to his throne. (33-36)

III. The people repent in response to God's calling. (37-41)

A. The Spirit convicts. (37)

B. The Savior forgives. (38)

C. The mission continues. (39-41)

Main Idea:

Subject: What happened on the day of Pentecost?

Complement: God delivered on his promise, birthing the church through the power of the Spirit bearing witness to the work of the Son.

Exegetical Idea: On the day of Pentecost, God delivered on his promise, birthing the church through the power of the Spirit bearing witness to the work of the Son. Theological Idea: The voice of God's Spirit speaks the gospel of God's son for the salvation of God's people.

Homiletical Idea: Jesus delivered on God's promise.

Introduction:

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Acts 2:1 When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.

³ And divided tongues as of fire appeared to them and rested on each one of them.

⁴ And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

⁵ Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven.

⁶ And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered, because each one was hearing them speak in his own language.

⁷ And they were amazed and astonished, saying, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?

⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language?

⁹ Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,

¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome,

¹¹ both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians-- we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God."

¹² And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?"

¹³ But others mocking said, "They are filled with new wine."

I. God sent his Spirit with a message for the nations. (1-13)

A. The day was intentional. (1)

Pentecost = "Feast of Weeks" = God's Provision

B. The day was supernatural. (2-4)

C. The day was universal. (5-11)

North/South/East/West GRAPHIC

Isaiah Isaiah 43:5-7: Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you. I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth, everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

D. The day was confusing. (12-13)

John Calvin: "There is nothing, no matter how full of wonder, that may not be turned into a joke by men and women who are indifferent to God."

READ Acts 2:14-36

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them:"Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and give ear to my words.

¹⁵ For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day.

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;

¹⁸ even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy.

¹⁹ And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke;

²⁰ the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day.

²¹ And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

²² "Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know--

²³ this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men.

²⁴ God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it.

²⁵ For David says concerning him, "'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken;

²⁶ therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope.

²⁷ For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption.

²⁸ You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.'

²⁹ "Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day.

³⁰ Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne,

³¹ he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption.

³² This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses.

³³ Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing.

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

³⁵ until I make your enemies your footstool."'

³⁶ Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

II. The Spirit magnifies Jesus as the Savior of sinners. (14-36)

Nicene Creed:

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father [and the Son], who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

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³⁷ Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"

³⁸ 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.

³⁹ 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."

⁴⁰ And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation."

⁴¹ So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls. (Acts 2:1-41 ESV)

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GRAPHIC – Acts cycle.