

Preaching In Jerusalem – Where Time Became Full

Isaiah 2:2–3; Luke 24:44–47; cf. Acts 11:15

God In History

- ▶ God's hand in bringing redemption to a lost world can be seen from the historic records. cf. 2 Timothy 3:16
 - Historic persons, places, and times.
 - Seed of woman. Genesis 3:15
 - Unique character. Isaiah 9:6; 7:14; cf. Luke 1:35
 - Birthplace foretold. Micah 5:2
- ▶ **Behind The Scenes God Sets The Stage.**
Galatians 4:4



Plan Of Redemption Based Upon Mighty Acts ...

- ▶ Known of God from the beginning. cf. Acts 15:13–18; 1 Corinthians 2:7
- ▶ Certain things must happen. Matthew 16:21
- ▶ Love and justice declared. John 3:16; Romans 3:24–26
- ▶ Why? Died to forgive sins. Matthew 20:28; 26:28; Galatians 1:4
- ▶ Resurrection. Romans 1:4
- ▶ Exalted. Acts 2

Plan Must Be Revealed ... Ephesians 3:1ff

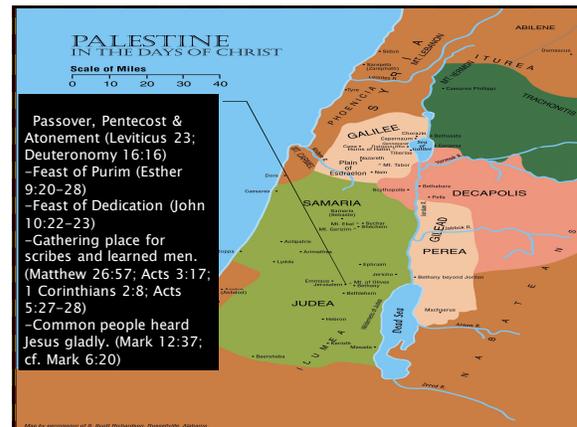
- ▶ Made known through preaching. 1 Corinthians 1:21
 - Time and place foretold. Luke 24:44–47; Isaiah 2:1–4
- ▶ Apostles commissioned. Mark 16:15–16; Matthew 28:18–19
- ▶ Apostles needed help. 1 Corinthians 2:1–5
- ▶ Holy Spirit promised. John 16:13–14; 1 Corinthians 2:9–13
 - Received power. Luke 24:49
- ▶ Witnesses. Acts 1:8; Acts 4:20

▶ Appointed Day – Pentecost.

- – i.e., "fiftieth", found only in the New Testament (Acts 2:1; 20:16; 1 Corinthians 16:8). The festival so named is first spoken of in Exodus 23:16 as "the feast of harvest," and again in Exodus 34:22 as "the day of the firstfruits" (Numbers 28:26).
- From the sixteenth of the month of Nisan (the second day of the Passover), seven complete weeks, i.e., forty-nine days, were to be reckoned, and this feast was held on the fiftieth day. (from Easton's Bible Dictionary)

Appointed Place - Jerusalem.

- According to the scriptures (Isaiah 2:1-2).
- On the first day of the week, around 9 o'clock in the morning. Acts 2:14-15



Appointed Action - The Holy Spirit Came Upon The Apostles. Acts 2:1ff

- Holy Spirit baptism promised. This promise is recorded in all four gospels. Matthew 3:11; Mark 1:8; Luke 3:16; John 1:33
- Promised to the apostles ... John 16:13 context

Appointed Purpose - The Holy Spirit enabled them to "speak in tongues." Acts 2:4 "The mighty works of God." verse 12

- ▶ The purposes of this outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon the twelve was to qualify them for the apostolic office ... Confirm the word. Hebrews 2:1-4
- ▶ That was the power of the apostles: to speak any language to any audience, to any people, to impart and convey this divine revelation.

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- ▶ Inspired explanation of this event. Acts 2:14-21
 - Fulfillment of Joel's prophecy. 2:16; Joel 2:28-32
 - Divine presence and message. 2:17-18
 - Divine confirmation and judgment. 2:19-20
 - Divine offer of salvation. 2:21

Appointed Audience - Acts 2:5-11

- Devout Jews from every nation.
- Familiar with recent death of Jesus of Nazareth.
- Were in deep distress. Luke 23:44-49

Appointed Preacher – Peter. Matthew 16:13–18 Acts 2:14–38

- Answered the revilers. verse 13

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Jesus of Nazareth Acts 2:22–36 HE IS LORD AND CHRIST

Appointed Sermon:

- ▶ God approved Jesus. Acts 2:22
 - *Miracles* (mighty works): Source of power.
 - *Wonders*: Effect they had on people.
 - *Signs*: Testimony of divine approval. John 3:2; 5:36
 - Reasonable and reasoned approach: Even His enemies did not deny His miracles. John 11:47 (Matthew 12:24 – attributed to Beelzebub)

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Jesus of Nazareth, Acts 2:22–36 HE IS LORD AND CHRIST

Appointed Sermon

- ▶ You killed Jesus. Acts 2:23
 - God knew the crucifixion would happen.
 - Determined purpose and foreknowledge. Luke 22:22
 - No accident; God was not taken by surprise. (Luke 24:25–27, 46)
 - Delivered by the Jews to the Romans.

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Appointed Sermon

- ▶ God raised up Jesus. Acts 2:24–32
 - *Fulfilled prophecy*. 2:24–31
 - David. 2:24–29, 31; Psalms 16:8–11
 - God's oath to David. 2:30; 2 Samuel 7:12–13
 - *Eyewitnesses*. 2:32
 - The apostles with miraculous, confirming signs. (Mark 16:20)

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Appointed Sermon

- ▶ God exalted Jesus. Acts 2:33–35
 - *Proof*: Presence of Holy Spirit. 2:33
 - Jesus promised this. John 14:12; 15:26
 - Holy Spirit is now with them (tongues)
 - *Exalted*: At God's right hand. 2:34–35 (Psalms 110:1)

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The Question: What shall we do?

The ages had waited for the answer to that question.
Ephesians 3:10–11; 1 Peter 1:10–12

- ▶ Acts 2:38–39 "And Peter (said) unto them, **Repent ye, and be baptized** every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ **unto the remission of your sins**; and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For to you is the promise, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, (even) as many as the Lord our God shall call unto him."

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