Welcome Friends & Family

The Apostles preach the Gospel

Acts 2:5 - 41

Jewish men & women of every nation came to hear the first Gospel sermon.

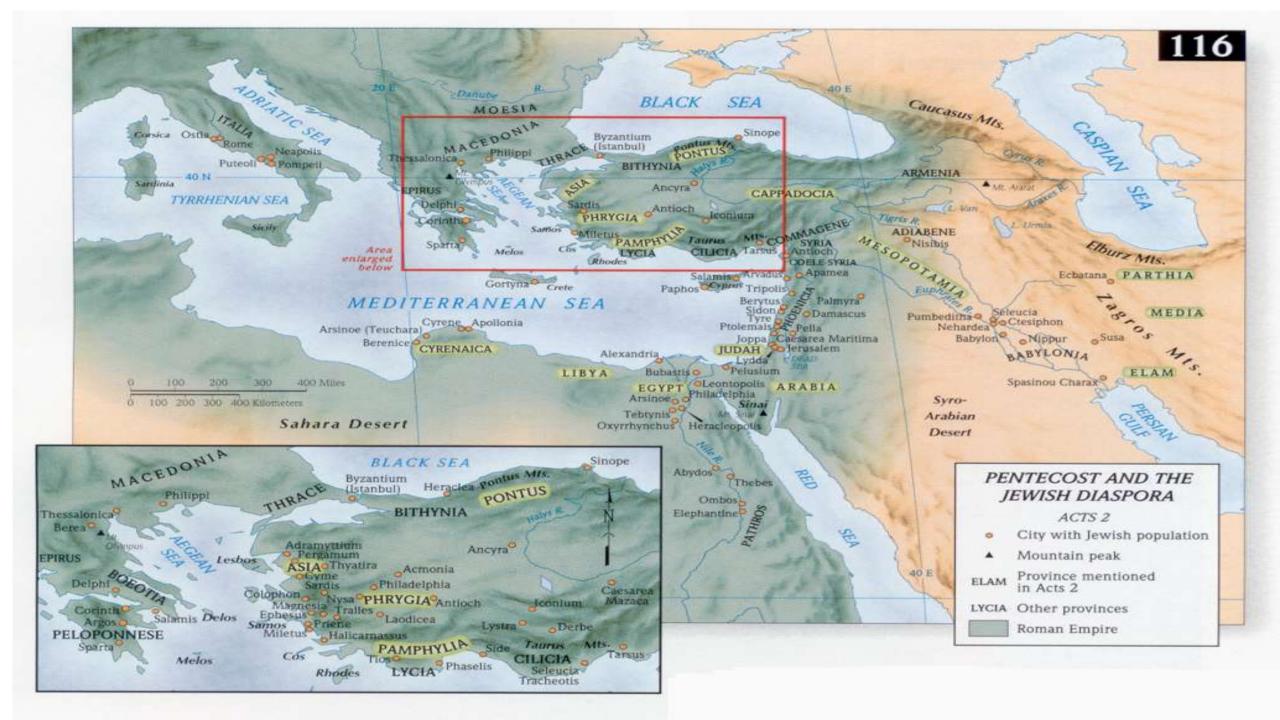
Acts 2:5 - 11

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."

Acts 2:5 - 11 (ESV)

16 "Three times a year all your males shall appear before the Lord your God at the place that he will choose: at the Feast of Unleavened Bread, at the Feast of Weeks, and at the Feast of Booths. They shall not appear before the Lord empty-handed. 17 Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the Lord your God that he has given you.

Deuteronomy 16:16 – 17 (ESV)



The Holy Spirit worked on the tongues of the Apostles and not the ears of the people.

Two reactions:

- Amazement & Curiosity
- Ridicule & Denial

Peter preaches his first Gospel sermon.

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.

Acts 2:14 – 15 (ESV)

Was Peter the only speaker?

Two possible scenarios:

- Peter spoke first and the other Apostles acted as interpreters.
- Different groups gathered together and the Apostles divided up to speak to the groups.

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.'

Acts 2:16 - 21 (ESV)

In our next study on the book of Acts, we will be examining the rest of chapter 2.

(Acts 2:22 – 47)