

The Message of Pentecost – Acts 2:14-41

1. *Three basics in any gospel message*

- Bible based
- Christ centered
- Gospel driven

2. *The sermon answers three questions*

Two are articulated and one is anticipated

- ***What does this mean? (12)***

Answer... **14-21**

- ***Why has it happened?***

Answer... **22-36**

- ***What shall we do? (37)***

Answer... **37-39**

3. *What does this mean? (17-21)*

- *The last days have arrived (17-18)*

This is the age the prophet Joel promised would come. The Holy Spirit raises an army of witnesses

- *The last day is near (19-20)*

The clock is ticking for the return of Christ and the Day of Judgment

- *Today is the day of salvation (21)*

God is giving us a chance to come to faith before it is too late

4. *Why has this happened? (22-36)*

- *Incarnation* – Jesus lived (22) – Jesus was a real man
- *Cross* – Jesus died (23) – the cross was God's plan
- *Resurrection* – Jesus rose (24-32) – the Old Testament predicted it and we have seen it
- *Exaltation* – Jesus reigns (33-36) – Jesus is Lord and Messiah

5. *What must we do? (37-39)*

- *Two commands (38)*

Repent and be baptized

- *Two promises (38-39)*

Forgiveness and the Holy Spirit