

Sunday June 13th 2010
Petros
Part One
Study Questions

1). Ge 22:18 *"In your seed all the nations of the earth shall be blessed, because you have obeyed My voice."*

- a). Without involving Christians, who would the seed of Abraham be?
- b). How would Abraham's seed bless all the nations of the earth?
- c). What further detail is given to us of this from the type given to us through the prophet Jonah?

2). Mt 4:17 *From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."*

- a). If Israel had repented what would have happened?
- b). What connection can you make between this and the type of the prophet Jonah?
- c). Does this still remain God's purpose for Israel? And will it be fulfilled?

3). Keeping all of this in mind read the following scripture? - Mt 28:18 *And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and*

on earth. 19 "Go therefore and[lit. having gone] make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 "teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.

a). Given God's stated purpose for Israel do you think the Lord is just speaking of the disciples here?

b). What would have to take place before Israel could do this?

4). Mr 16:15 *And He said to them, "Go [lit. having gone] into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. 16 "He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. 17 "And these signs will follow those who believe: In My name they will cast out demons; they will speak with new tongues; 18 "they will take up serpents; and if they drink anything deadly, it will by no means hurt them; they will lay hands on the sick, and they will recover."*

a). Is the scripture here in Mark dealing with the same thing that we saw in Matthew 28:18-20?

b). What additional information are we given here in Mark and who does it apply to?

c). When will this be fulfilled?

5). Ac 1:4 *And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me; 5 "for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." 6 ¶ Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7 And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. 8 "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."*

a). What does Jesus tell the disciples to do in v4?

b). What had they heard from Him about this?

c) What does the Lord tell them in v5?

d). What do you think He is making reference to?

e). Why do you think the disciples ask the question they do in v6?

f). Why does the Lord respond to them in the way He does in v7?

g). What is the implication of what He says in v8?

h). Compare what the Lord says in v8 with this scripture from Isaiah

Isa 43:10 "You are My witnesses," says the LORD, "And My servant whom I have chosen, That you may know and believe Me, And understand that I am He. Before Me there was no God formed, Nor shall there be after Me.

6). Ac 2:1 ¶ *When the Day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. 2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. 3 Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat upon each of them. 4 And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.*

a). What are we witnessing at the beginning of acts Chapter 2?

b). What does the Holy Spirit through Peter tell us that it is?

c). What should this have meant for the nation of Israel?

d). Peter stops quoting Joel part way through Joel 2:32 – Read the scripture and say why you think he does that - Joe 2:28 ¶ *"And it shall come to pass afterward That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your old men shall dream dreams, Your young men shall see visions. 29 And also on My menservants and on My maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days. 30 "And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: Blood and fire and pillars of smoke. 31 The sun shall be turned into darkness, And the moon into blood, Before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD. 32 And it shall come to pass That whoever calls on the name of the LORD Shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, As the LORD has said, Among the remnant whom the LORD calls.*

3:1 ¶ *"For behold, in those days and at that time, When I bring back the captives of Judah and Jerusalem, 2 I will also gather all nations, And bring them down to the Valley of Jehoshaphat; And I will enter into judgment with them there On account of My people, My heritage Israel, Whom they have scattered among the nations; They have also divided up My land.*

7). In his sermon at the beginning of Acts Chapter 2, what references does Peter make to David and why do you think he does that?

a). Peter quotes the first verse of Psalm 110 - Ps 110:1 ¶ <<A Psalm of David.>> *The LORD said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool."* Why do you think he stops there?

b). Who were the recipients of Peter's sermon? And where did they come from?

c). Why were they in Jerusalem and what would they have witnessed?

d). What was the initial response of those present to the outpouring of the Spirit? Is this a response we have seen before?

e). What question is asked at the conclusion of Peter's sermon and what answer does he give?

f). What is the intent behind the question and what is implicit in Peter's answer?

g). Considering all that we have looked at what would you say is the central purpose to the events of Acts Chapter 2?

h). Was this purpose realized?

i). What in fact did happen and how is this consistent with other events in Israel's history?

j). How is what we see here a continuation of events that began in the Gospels?

k). What part did the Church play in this?

l). What other scripture do we have that validates this?

m). What would those who believed and were baptized who then travelled back to Asia be expected to do?

n). Were they left on their own to work this out for themselves?

o). Can you describe the extent of the ministry that took place in Asia that is described in the Book of Acts?

p). What does all this say to you personally?

8). What correlation if any can you make between the experience of those believers in Asia and our own experience here in Jacksonville?