

PROLOGUE

- A. **SERMON-BASED SGF** (see *Sticky Church*; also Hybels, A. Stanley; see questions at end)
- B. **NOTE ON CASTING LOTS** (1:26; see Lev.16:8; Josh.18:6f; see Prov.16:33; Lk.6:12f(Acts1:2,24; 9:15); see Acts 6:3; 14:23 (Dt.1:13f))

INTRODUCTION

- A. **32nd ANNIVERSARY: TIME FOR REVITALIZATION** (Acts 3:19; see Jer.31:25; Habb.3:2)
- B. **WAITING FOR THE SPIRIT...** (1:4,5; see 1Sam.10:6f; 16:13f; Ps.51:11)
- C. **...TO EMPOWER FOR MISSION** (1:8; 2:4f; see 4:8,31; 16:7, etc.; see 1Sam.11:6; Jdgs.3:10; 6:34f; 13:25ff; see Eph.6:17f; Rev.22:17)
- D. **GENERAL & PARTICULAR** (2:1f & 4:8f; see Rom.8:9ff; Gal.5:22f & Eph.3:19f; 5:18f; see Lk.11:13)

I. WHAT THEY DID NOT DO WHILE THEY WAITED (1:6-11)

- A. **GUESS THE TIME OF THE NEW CREATION** (1:6,7; 11b; 3:21; see Mt.24:36; 25:14f)
- B. **GAZE INTO HEAVEN** (1:11a; see Eph.3:10; 1Pt.1:12; 2Tm.3:14-17)
- C. **SUMMARY: NOT DISTRACTED** (see Mk.4:19; Lk.14:16f; Mt.21:28)

II. WHAT THEY DID DO WHILE THEY WAITED (1:12-26)

- A. **GATHERED WITH THE APOSTLES** (1:12-15; see 1-8; 21,22 /Eph.2:20; 2Pt.1:20f; 3:16)
- B. **TOGETHER** (1:14; 2:46; 4:24,32 /Eph.4:3f,12f; Phil.1:27; 2:2f; 1Cor.12:4ff)
- C. **WITH THE WOMEN** (1:14; see Lk.8:2; 23:49,55f; 24:1f,22 /Gal.3:28; Jn.4:9; 1Tm.2:11; 1Cor.12:15f)
- D. **CONTINUALLY DEVOTED THEMSELVES TO PRAYER** (1:14; 2:42; 6:4 /Rom.12:12; Eph.6:18; Col.4:2; see Rom.8:26; Jude 1:20)
- E. **HEARING THE SCRIPTURES PREACHED** (1:15-22; see 2:14ff; 3:12f; 4:8f; etc. speeches /Mt.28:18f; 1Tm.4:12f(Acts 6:4); 2Tm.3:14f; Heb.5:11f)
- F. **ACTING ON THE SCRIPTURES PREACHED** (1:23f; see 2:37; etc. /Jn.13:17; Ps.143:10; Mt.28:20a; 1Th.1:9; 2:13)
- G. **SUMMARY: INWARD MEANS FOR OUTWARD MISSION** (1:4,5,8 w/12-26; 2:42; /2Tm.3:14f; 1Cor.11:24f(10:16); 1Th.5:17; Eph.4:12-16; see 2,25,32; see 1Kngs.18:21f,30f,36f,38f(Acts2:1f))

III. WHAT WE DO WHILE WE WAIT! (1Th.1:6; 2:14; 1Cor.4:16; 11:1; Phil.3:7; Heb.13:7; see /in I, II above)

Suggested questions for sermon-based small group fellowship discussion:

What was most helpful to you in this sermon?

What was most provoking for further consideration?

What questions did this sermon bring to your mind? How will you answer them?

How did the Bible study help you understand and/or apply this sermon?

Did the Lord change what you believe in any way through this sermon?

Is there any way in which the Lord called you to change your behavior? If so, why? how? How will you go about this?

What do you think is the most important thing you can do to prepare for revitalization by the Spirit?

What do you think is the most important thing our congregation (members, officers) can do to prepare for this?