

Sermon-based Discussion Questions

“Spirit-filled” from 9/27/2020

Acts 2:1-41

SPOILER ALERT: *You may not want to read these until AFTER you have heard the sermon.*

1. When you hear, “Spirit-filled,” what comes to mind? Does the idea of being Spirit-filled intrigue you, frighten you, or something else?
2. How would you explain the day of Pentecost in your own words? What kind of an impact do you think the Holy Spirit had on people in Acts 2:1-13?
3. Read Acts 1:8 and compare it with Acts 2:5-11. How might this explain one of the reasons why God filled them with the Holy Spirit and enabled them to speak in other languages?
4. Take a look at Peter’s explanation of Pentecost in Acts 2:16-36, especially verses 16-23, 32-33. How do you think this might explain why God sent the Holy Spirit? (Consider verses 32-33 and 36, which mention the collective activity of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.)
5. Read Acts 2:37-41. How would you describe the people’s reaction to Peter’s words? In your own words, how would you explain what it means to “repent and be baptized”?
6. Imagine a church going from 120 people to 3,120 people in a single day? What might that look like?
7. Acts 2:39 says that the Holy Spirit is “for all whom the Lord our God will call.” So, if we’re a Christ-follower, then we have the Holy Spirit within us. What do you think that this empowerment means for Christ-followers today?
8. Pray together for Spirit-filled lives that will empower our witness. How else can we pray for one another?