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"Spreading the Good News - One Lamb, at a Time" Bible Story Time

The Outpouring of the Spirit at Shavuot

Acts 2:1-36

And in the fulfilling of the day of Shavuot, they were all with one mind in the same place. And suddenly a sound came out of the heaven, as a groaning spirit along by a violent wind! And it filled the entire house where they were sitting. And tongues as of fire appeared to them, being distributed, and it sat on each one of them. And they were all filled of the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave ability to them to speak.

And Jews were living in Jerusalem, devout men from every nation of those under the heaven. And when that sound occurred, all the people gathered and were perplexed because they were hearing each man among them who were speaking in their own language. And all were amazed and marveled, saying to one another, Behold, we can't grasp this, are not all these, those speaking, Galileans? And how do we hear each in our own language in which we were born, Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and those living in Mesopotamia, both Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, both Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt, and the regions of Libya over against Cyrene, and the temporarily residing Romans, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabians; in our own languages we hear them speaking the great wonders of Elohim?



And all were amazed and puzzled, saying to one another, What could this be? But ridiculing, others said, They are full of sweet wine. But standing up with the eleven, Peter lifted up his voice and spoke out to them, Men, Jews, and all those living in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to my words: For these are not drunk, as you imagine, for it is the third hour of the day.

But this is that which has been spoken by the prophet Joel, "And it shall be in the last days, YAHWEH says, I will pour from 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; And also I will pour out My Spirit on My servants and hand maids in those days, and they shall prophesy. And I will give wonders in the heaven above, and miraculous signs on the earth below, blood and fire and vapor of smoke. The sun will be changed into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the Coming of the great and glorious day of YAHWEH. And it shall be that everyone who shall call on the name of YAHWEH will be saved."

Men, Sons of Israel, hear these words: Yahshua the Nazarene, a Man from Elohim, having been approved among you by works of power and wonders and miraculous signs, which Elohim did through Him in your midst, as you yourselves also know, this man, who was set apart was for this, by the foreknowledge and will of Elohim, you delivered into the hands of the wicked and you crucified and killed. But Elohim loosed the cords of Sheol and raised Him because it was not possible that He be held in Sheol.

For David said as to Him, "I always foresaw my Adonai before Me, because He is at My right hand, that I not be moved. For this reason My heart rejoiced, and My tongue was glad; and My flesh also will dwell on hope, because You will not leave My soul in Sheol, nor will You give Your righteous one to see corruption. You have revealed the road of life to me. You will fill me with gladness with your presence.

Men, brothers, let me speak boldly with you to say to you as to the patriarch David, that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is among us until this day. For he was a prophet, and he had known the oaths that Elohim had sworn to him, that of the fruit of your loins I shall establish a king upon your throne. Foreseeing, he spoke about the resurrection of the Messiah, "That His soul was not left in sheol, nor did His corpse see corruption."

This Yahshua, Elohim raised up, of which we all are witnesses. Then being exalted to the right of YAHWEH, and receiving the promise of the Holy Spirit from the Father, He poured out this which you now see and hear. For David did not ascend into Heaven, but he says, "YAHWEH said to my Adonai, sit at My right hand until I place those who are enemies to You as a footstool for Your feet."

Then assuredly, let all the house of Israel acknowledge that YAHWEH made known this same Yahshua whom you crucified, He is both YAHWEH and Messiah.

He who pursues righteousness and mercy finds life, righteousness and honor. Proverbs 21:21

Can You Memorize the Scripture?

I will not leave you orphans; I am coming to you. Yet a little while and the world no longer sees Me, but you see Me. Because I live, you also shall live. In that day you shall know that I am in My Father, and you are in Me, and I am in you.

John 14:18-20

Bible Story Questions

- 1. What was the sudden sound and violent wind that came from heaven?
- 2. Who were the ones who received the Spirit?
- 3. What did the believers do when they were filled with the Holy Spirit?
- 4. What was amazing about the gift of languages?
- 5. What did some of the people who were ridiculing think about speaking of languages?
- 6. What did the Apostle Peter prophesy about what happened according to Scripture?

Bible Lesson: Relationship with Yahweh and Yahshua

There was some confusion among the people as to what exactly was happening when the believers were speaking in different languages, but it was clear that Yahweh poured out His Spirit to His people on Shavuot. Yahweh's Holy Spirit was promised by Yahshua to His disciples for those wanting a relationship with Him and the Father.

Yahweh would give a portion of His Spirit to that person to help them live a life pleasing to Him in obedience to His Word. As the person surrenders their will and grows in the character of Yahweh, the spirit inside them will grow throughout their life. Then at the Resurrection of the Righteous, as Yahweh had raised Yahshua from the grave and gave Him life, so also He would raise His people who lived a life that showed Yahshua in their lives.

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