

w/b 30th June 2019

THEME: TRANSFORMATION - HEAVEN TOUCHING EARTH - LIFE APPLICATION

PASSAGE: ACTS 2:1-21

LAUNCH

Describe a really powerful or moving moment in your life (that wasn't spiritual). In what ways might it be similar or different to being filled with the Holy Spirit?

DISCOVERY & UNDERSTANDING

What were the varying responses of the onlookers to what was going on (v5-13)? Have there been times when you have been put off seeing people being filled with the Holy Spirit? Why?

Why is Luke so keen to list all the different people groups in Jerusalem on that day? Why was it important that they heard their own languages? What implications does this have for our church?

How does Peter's quotation from the book of Joel (17-21) help to explain matters? What are the key application points for us from this quotation?

What has the Holy Spirit done in our church recently that might draw the attention of those outside the church? What sort of things might we want to see him do more of?

In his sermon Keith (Saynor) linked Pentecost with Jacob's dream (Genesis 28:10-22) and Christ's baptism (Matthew 3:13-17). What was the link between these three scriptures? Does the same link apply to us today?

How does someone receive the Holy Spirit?

Do you think your group/our church promotes or impedes the work of the Holy Spirit?

What sort of things can restrict us as individuals from moving in the power of the Holy Spirit?

APPLICATION

Pray for one another to be filled with the Holy Spirit so that you can become a better channel for bringing heaven down to earth.