

# ACTS OF THE

# HOLY SPIRIT

Growing the Kingdom
Acts 2:21-41



## **Objectives of Series:**

- 1. That we embrace, welcome, the 3<sup>rd</sup> person of the Trinity, the HS; that our fears of the HS would be replaced by our friendship with the HS.
- 2. That we become reliant upon the power of the HS so that our verbal witness of Jesus might be filled with the HS.
- 3. That we be re-invigorated by the HS so that we might be useful for the purposes of the HS, whatever that might be.

## Main Idea:

Peter defended his faith confidently and boldly, despite his past. God used his obedience to see the Spirit empower him and work to grow the Kingdom. This is the same way we are called to be open to the Spirit to grow the very same Kingdom.

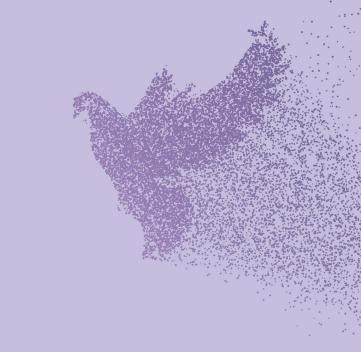
### **Outline:**

- 1. The Man
- 2. The Message
- 3. The Response
- 4. The Fruit of The Holy Spirit Working



## The Man

- -Verses 21-36
- -Peter's history
  - -Denial of Jesus
  - -Shame and guilt
- -Now to empowered by the Holy Spirit
- -An imperfect Church built by broken people restored by the gospel





# 2. The Message

- -Verses 21-36
- -Joel 2 and Psalm 16
- -Peter speaking truth instead of what they might have wanted to hear
- -Verses 23 and 36, "lawless people" to "you"
- -God's plan and our responsibility



## 3. The Response

- -Verse 37
- -Looking for answers
- -The purpose of the Holy Spirit and how He accomplishes this
- -A need for discipleship



# 4. The Fruit of the Holy Spirit Working

- -Verses 38-41
- -A large amount of new believers because of Peter's obedience
- -The numbers don't change the call
- -Conversion is not up to us
- -God already knows who will call upon Him for salvation, yet we continue

## Next Steps.

- 1. Begin reading the book of Acts for this series. Pray this prayer, daily:
  - "Holy Spirit, I ask that you reinvigorate me, spiritually, and that you give me an opportunity, today, to give witness to Jesus Christ."
- 2. Keep a journal of what the HS