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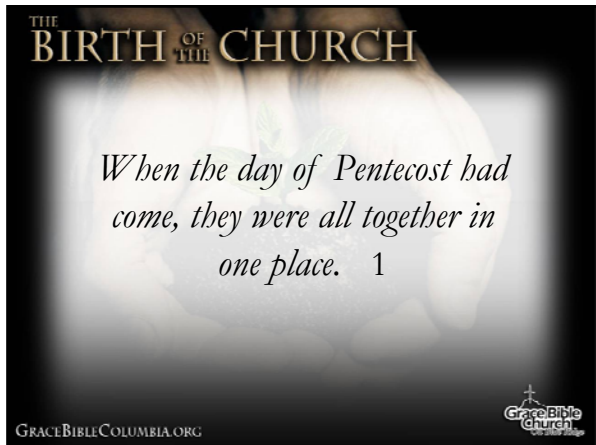
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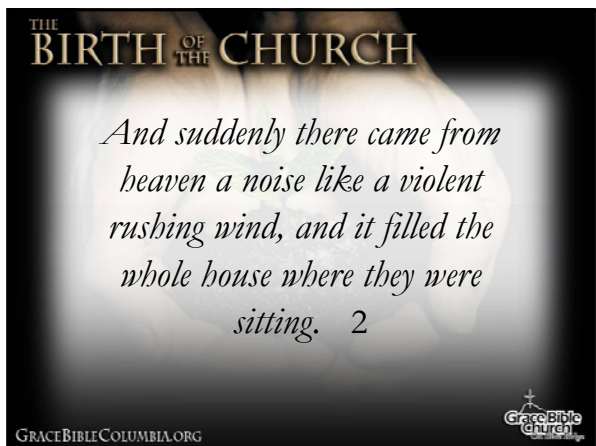
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THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH

*And there appeared to them tongues as of fire distributing themselves, and they rested on each one of them. 3*

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THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH

*And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit was giving them utterance. 4*

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THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH

*Now there were Jews living in Jerusalem, devout men from every nation under heaven. 5*

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THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH

*And when this sound occurred, the crowd came together, and were bewildered because each one of them was hearing them speak in his own language. 6*

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THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH

Church where God moves 1-6

- The early church cultivated this atmosphere through obedience to God's Word.
- The early church cultivated this atmosphere through faith in God's promises.

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THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH

*They were amazed and astonished, saying, "Why, are not all these who are speaking Galileans? 7*

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THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH

*"And how is it that we each hear them in our own language to which we were born?" 8*

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THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH

*And they all continued in amazement and great perplexity, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" 12*

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THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH

*But others were mocking and saying, "They are full of sweet wine." 13*

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THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH

Church where God is seen  
7-8, 12-13

- Too powerful to be ignored
- Too obvious to be overlooked

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THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH

*...but this is what was spoken of through the prophet Joel: 'AND IT SHALL BE IN THE LAST DAYS,' God says, 'THAT I WILL POUR FORTH OF MY SPIRIT ON ALL MANKIND; 16-17*

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THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH

Church where guests are welcome  
17

- People from all over! (9-11)
- Worshiping - yet in need of truth

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THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH

'AND IT SHALL BE THAT EVERYONE WHO CALLS ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED.'

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THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH

Church where salvation is clear

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- One reason we have lost influence in society is that the church, as a whole, has gotten away from the message of salvation.

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THE BIRTH OF THE CHURCH

Amazed & Perplexed

- Are you seeing God move in your life?
- Are you where God is seen?
- Are you welcoming guests?
- Are you making salvation clear?

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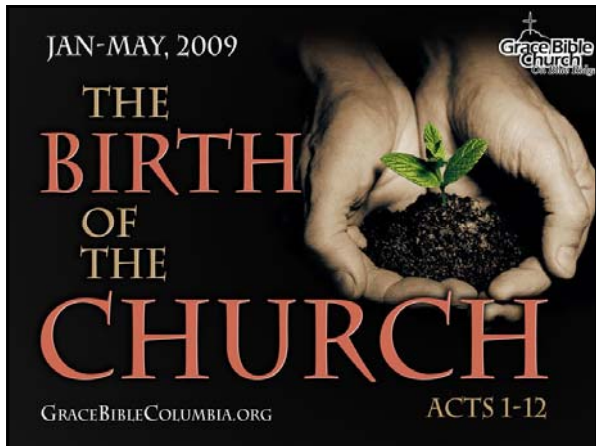
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