

# Filled with the Holy Spirit

Acts 2:1-13

## Discussion Questions

- 1) What is the day of Pentecost? What does it celebrate? (Hint: <https://www.biblestudytools.com/bible-study/topical-studies/what-feast-of-pentecost-bible.html>).
- 2) Where were all the disciples gathered? Why is this location significant in Scripture? (Hint: (Mark 14:15, Acts 1:13)
- 3) Read Acts 2:3. What is the significance of fire in the Bible? Where else in the Bible do we see God's presence symbolised by fire?
- 4) Read Ephesians 1:13. When we become a Christian, God seals us with His Holy Spirit. Do you remember when this happened in your life? What might be some evidences that you have been filled with the Holy Spirit? (Hint: Galatians 5:22-23, Ephesians 5:18-20, Romans 5:5, 8:14, 1 Corinthians 2:10-14)
- 5) Discuss this quote from Oswald Smith, a Canadian pastor and advocate for missions: "You have the Spirit, but does He have you? Is He in complete control of you? Does He fill you? Or are you partly filled with the Spirit and partly filled with self, the world and sin? Does He dominate and rule your life?"
- 6) Read Acts 2:12-13. How can we categorise the crowd's response to the coming of the Holy Spirit? How does this line up with the crowds' responses to Jesus' teachings and life?
- 7) Why do you think some people mocked the disciples when they spoke in different languages?
- 8) The apologist Frank Turek suggested Christians ask the following question to non-believers when we are involved in faith-related conversations: 'If Christianity were true, would you become a Christian?' Why might this question be effective?
- 9) To live a Spirit-filled life, guided and controlled by Him, we must be willing to surrender control of our own lives. Are you willing to surrender everything to God? Is there anything you might be holding onto? Take some time to pray and ask God if there anything He wants you to surrender to Him, so you can enjoy His fullness.