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Acts 2:1-13

Some have suggested that the "gift of languages" on the day of Pentecost was unnecessary because most of those who gathered in Jerusalem that day would have been conversant in either Greek or Aramaic. Luke tells us three times that each person heard the believers speaking in their own languages (Acts 2:6, 8, 11). This "miracle of hearing" made it possible for the gathered pilgrims to recognize that God was at work. They testified, "We hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!" (v. 11).

What does Acts 2 mean for us?

- The coming of the Spirit at Pentecost tells us that God wants all believers to be filled with His Holy Spirit. The Spirit-filled life should be the norm for believers.
- We are reminded that the Holy Spirit is God's enabler (v. 4). Whatever God requires of you, His Spirit in you will enable you to do.
- A Spirit-filled life will glorify God.

Ask yourself: Have you been filled with the Holy Spirit? Do you rely on the Spirit to enable you in every situation? Does your life glorify God?

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