

What Does That Mean?

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Acts 2:14-24

Speaking the same language does not automatically mean you will be understood. In Acts 2 we learn that the Holy Spirit enabled the believers at Pentecost to be able to speak in a variety of languages. This miracle made it possible for the diversity of people in Jerusalem to hear the good news in their native languages. Amazing!

And yet, people were still confused. They wondered about the state the believers were in, “were they drunk so early in the day?” Peter stood up and began to unpack what the people were hearing from the believers.

If you have ever worked with a child, perhaps you can relate to what Peter and the believers were experiencing. Despite a common language, further explanation is sometimes needed.

How often do we, especially those of us who have attended church for a while, forget what it's like to hear the good news for the first time? It's so new and different from anything else, that we may need to “unpack it” for the hearer. Allow the Holy Spirit to guide you as you share the good news.

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