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SERMON NOTES:

A New Dawn in the Present Age.

A Further Step in Redemptive History.

Acts 2:1-13

‘Study to show thyself approved unto God...’ – 2 Timothy 2:15
The importance of reading and learning God’s word is a vital part of both growing and also experiencing the blessing of belonging to God the Father through His Son, Jesus Christ.

This truth is one of the purposes why we wish to offer you these sermon notes which are to be used while listening to the sermon.

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INTRODUCTION

Today we will consider the significance of Pentecost. How it relates to the Old Testament and also how it relates to us today.

How are going to approach our text.

1. The DAY (v.1).
2. The SIGNS of the Spirit's coming (vv.2-3).
3. The GIFT associated with the Spirits coming (vv.4-11).
4. The RESPONSE of the crowd. (vv.12-13).

INTRO/RECAP.

GK BEALE "...the Apostles were breathing in 'Eschatological air' "...thus, as this 'eschatological air' filled their lungs and supplied prophetic omen to their minds, they were anticipating the long-awaited & frequently promised arrival of the NEW KINGDOM.

The New Kingdom and the Apostles: Matt.19:28 "*Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.*"

I. v.1 THE DAY.

1. The Day's Theological Significance.

~ It's fitting, that at the close of a feast designed to acknowledge God as the one who grants the harvest, God would on this Pentecost day...begin a New Harvest, a harvest consisting of the eternal souls of men!

"...Pentecost was fully come..." Textus Receptus (AV, NKJV)

"...When the day of Pentecost arrived..." (ESV)

"...When the day of Pentecost had come..." (NASB95)

Strong's G4845 'was fully come' συμπληρώω - soom-play-ro'-o – 1. to fill completely (a) of the hull of a ship. "*they were filling with water*".

Col. 2:16-17 “16Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an **holyday (feast)**, or of the new moon, or of the sabbath days: 17Which are a shadow of things to come; but the body is of Christ.

Gordon J. Keddie “The symmetry of divine revelation always implies a profound theological significance for the mighty acts of God.”

Pas. Dr. Sam Waldron – “God’s revelation is always intentional”.

2. The Day’s Practical Significance.

(a) Maximum publicity. (b) Prepared hearts.

II. vv.2-3 THE SIGNS.

John Gill “it was not a wind, but like one; and the noise it made, was like the rushing noise of a strong and boisterous wind.”

~ There is a parallel event that is also UNIQUE and SIGNIFICANT...one that also involves two identical things operating in v.2 - (1) God’s extraordinary divine presence, and (2) Audible sound.

Ex.19:18-19 18And mount Sinai was altogether on a smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace, and the whole mount quaked greatly. 19And when the voice of the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder, Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice.

~ **Theophany** (Ancient Greek: (ἡ) θεοφάνεια, romanized: theophaneia, lit. 'appearance of Deity'[1]) an encounter with Deity, in which Deity manifests itself in an observable and tangible form.

~ **OT Theophanies** 1. The Burning Bush 2. The Pillar of Fire 3. Mount Sinai 4. Ezekiel see God’s divine Thron 5. Psalm 18 Theophany

III. Vv.4-11 THE GIFTS.

1. Who received the gifts?

Isaiah 31:33-34 “...I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people. 34And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying,

Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.”

2. What was the gift?

Strong's G1100 'tongues' - γλῶσσαι gloce-sah' i. the tongue, a member of the body, an organ of speech ii. a tongue (a) the language or dialect used by a particular people distinct from that of other nations.

1 Cor.14:21 *“Through men of strange tongues and through the lips of foreigners I will speak to this people, but even then they will not listen to me.”*

Heb. 1:1-2a *“God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, Hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son...”*

IV. vv.12-13 THE MULTITUDE.

1. They are identified as scattered Jews from all across the then known nations.
2. They had made a pilgrimage to Jerusalem.
3. Afterwards, they would go back to the nations with the message of Christ and His gospel.

What's the significance in this?

FIRST –REGATHERING OF THE JEWS FROM THE FOUR CORNERS OF THE WORLD.

SECOND –ALL THE NATIONS WILL BE BLESSED THROUGH ABRAHAM'S SEED.