

# The Church Beyond the Walls

## Acts 2

### WHAT WERE MIRACLES THAT LAUNCHED THE CHURCH?

**Acts 2:1-4 (NIV)** “When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. <sup>2</sup>Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. <sup>3</sup>They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. <sup>4</sup>All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.”

**Acts 2:5-6 (NIV)** “Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. <sup>6</sup>When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken.”

**Acts 2:11,13 (NIV)** “...we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!” <sup>12</sup>Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, ‘What does this mean?’ <sup>13</sup>Some, however, made fun of them and said, ‘They have had too much wine.’”

### WHAT IS THE MESSAGE OF THE CHURCH?

**Acts 2:14-15 (NIV)** “Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: ‘Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. <sup>15</sup>These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning!’”

**Acts 2:17<sub>a</sub> (NIV)** “In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people.”

**Acts 2:20-21 (NIV)** “The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. <sup>21</sup>And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

**Acts 2:23 (NIV)** “This man was handed over to you by God’s deliberate plan and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross.”

**Acts 2:34 (NIV)** “For David did not ascend to heaven, and yet he said, ‘The Lord said to my Lord: Sit at my right hand.’”

**Acts 2:37 (NIV)** “When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, ‘Brothers, what shall we do?’”

**Acts 2:38 (NIV)** “Peter replied, ‘Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.’”

### WHAT ARE THE MARKS OF A GODLY CHURCH?

**Acts 2:42-43 (NIV)** “They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. <sup>43</sup>Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles.”

A CHURCH THAT IS TRUTHFUL.

A CHURCH THAT IS HELPFUL.

**Acts 2:44-45 (NIV)** “All the believers were together and had everything in common. <sup>45</sup>They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need.”

A CHURCH THAT IS ENJOYABLE.

## A CHURCH THAT IS BEYOND THE WALLS.

**Acts 2:46-47 (NIV)** “Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts,<sup>47</sup> praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.”