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## THE FIRST GOSPEL SERMON – PART I

- The Beginning Of The Gospel** It was prophesied (Isa 2:2-4) that “*in the \_\_\_\_\_ days*” the “*mountain of the \_\_\_\_\_ shall be established*” and that “*all \_\_\_\_\_ shall flow unto it*” and that “*out of \_\_\_\_\_ shall \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_, and the word of the LORD \_\_\_\_\_.*” The identical prophecy is in (Micah 4:1-3). Jesus referred to this prophecy when he said (Lk 24:46-47): “*Thus it is \_\_\_\_\_*” and “*that \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ should be preached in his name \_\_\_\_\_ all \_\_\_\_\_, beginning at \_\_\_\_\_.*”
- It Would Happen In Jerusalem** Jesus told the apostles (Lk 24:48-49) that they were “*\_\_\_\_\_ of these things*” and that “*I send the \_\_\_\_\_ of my Father \_\_\_\_\_.*” He added: “*\_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ of Jerusalem, \_\_\_\_\_ ye be \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_ from on high.*” Earlier Jesus had taught (Mk 9:1): “*That there be \_\_\_\_\_ of them that \_\_\_\_\_, which shall \_\_\_\_\_, till they have \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of God come with \_\_\_\_\_.*” This “*power from on high*” would come (Acts 2) when *the kingdom* came.
- Comparing Isaiah 2 – Micah 4 - Acts 2 – Joel 2 & Acts 10-11** God said (Joel 2:28ff), “*I will pour out my \_\_\_\_\_ upon \_\_\_\_\_*” and used the descriptive language that Peter and the eleven quoted in the Pentecost Day Sermon (Acts 2:16-20) when they said (V16) “*\_\_\_\_\_ is that which \_\_\_\_\_ by the prophet \_\_\_\_\_.*” In (Acts 10-11) when Peter was preaching to the gentile household of Cornelius he referred (11:15) to the events on Pentecost Day (Acts 2) as “*the beginning.*” Everything in the OT points forward to it; everything in the NT points backward to it.
- The DAY – Pentecost** (Acts 2:1) “*And when the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ was fully come.*” Some 1,500 odd years earlier Moses instructed (Lev 23) concerning this annual feast where the firstfruits of the harvest would be presented to God. The parallel in the NT is that on this special day “the firstfruits of the gospel” (ie: a spiritual harvest) were presented unto God. Not only did the apostles, and every other Jew that had received John’s baptism, which was preparatory to induction into the kingdom or NT Church, constitute these “firstfruits” but also (V41) “*about \_\_\_\_\_ souls*” that had “*gladly \_\_\_\_\_ his word*” Subsequently “*the Lord \_\_\_\_\_ to the \_\_\_\_\_ daily.*”
- The First Day Of The Week** *Pente* means five. *Pentecost* means fifty. It always came \_\_\_\_\_ days after the sabbath of the Passover week (Lev 23:15-16). Fifty days from any Saturday always falls on \_\_\_\_\_. (a) Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of the week (Mk 16:9). (b) After his resurrection Jesus met with his disciples (Jn 20) on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of the \_\_\_\_\_. (c) Everything that happened (Acts 2) was on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of the \_\_\_\_\_ and that included P\_\_\_\_\_. (d) Disciples took the \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of the \_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 20:7).
- An Interesting Fact About The Sabbath** The first 2,500 odd years of the OT never mentions the seventh-day sabbath. The seventh-day sabbath was a holy and consecrated day only in God’s covenant with the OT Jews (Israel). (Ex 20:8) “*Remember the \_\_\_\_\_, to keep it \_\_\_\_\_.*”