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<u>10</u> Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes,

<u>11</u> Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

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b. That Which Was Sensational and Ephemeral, 2:2-3

(1) The Awesome Sound (Wind) – 2:2

 The Glory of God "fills the house" after the construction was finished.

 God authenticated His place of service when the Glory of God filled the house.

<u>Acts 2:2</u> And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

Ex. 40:33 And he reared up the court round about the tabernacle and the altar, and set up the hanging of the court gate. So Moses finished the work. 34 Then a cloud covered the tent of the congregation, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle. <u>2 Chron. 7:1</u> Now when Solomon had made an end of praying, the fire came down from heaven, and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices; and the glory of the LORD filled the house.

## THE HOUSE OF GOD = THE TABERNACLE

Judg. 18:31 And they set them up Micah's graven image, which he made, all the time that the house of God was in Shiloh.

<u>1 Chron. 6:48</u> Their brethren also the Levites were appointed unto all manner of service of the tabernacle of the house of God.

## THE HOUSE OF GOD = THE TEMPLE

<u>2 Chron. 5:14</u> So that the priests could not stand to minister by reason of the cloud: for the glory of the LORD had filled the house of God.

## THE HOUSE OF GOD = THE CHURCH

<u>1 Tim. 3:15</u> But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth.

## THE HOUSE OF GOD = THE TABERNACLE → THE TEMPLE → THE CHURCH

 The "House of God" was a title of God's residence among mankind, and it morphed from the Tabernacle, into the Temple, and finally, into the church.

#### (2) The Awesome Sight (Fire) -2:3

<u>Acts 2:3</u> And there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

c. The Which Was Spiritual and Evidential, 2:4

Acts 2:4 And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

 (1) An Infilling Presence: A Ministry of the Spirit that was Strictly Temperamental – 2:4a – "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost..."

 (2) An Outflowing Power: A Manifestation of the Spirit that was Strictly Temporary, 2:4b –
 "...and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance." <u>1 Cor. 14:21</u> In the law it is written, With men of other tongues and other lips will I speak unto this people; and yet for all that will they not hear me, saith the Lord. <u>22</u> Wherefore tongues are for a sign, not to them that believe, but to them that believe not: but prophesying serveth not for them that believe not, but for them which believe.

Isa. 28:11 For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people.

<u>1 Cor. 1:22</u> For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks seek after wisdom:

<u>Acts 2:5</u> And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven.

Acts 10:44 While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word. 45 And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost. 46 For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter, 47 Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we?

2. The Resulting Mighty Witness of the Saints, 2:5-47

a. The Promised Sign of Pentecost, 2:5-13

#### (1) The Advertisement, 2:5-6a

<u>Acts 2:5</u> "And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout men, out of every nation under heaven. <u>6</u> Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded..."

> (2) The Amazement, 2:6b-11 (The crowd recognizes that...)

(a) The Disciples were Local Provincials, 2:6b-7

<u>Acts 2:6b</u> "...because that every man heard them speak in his own language. <u>7</u> And they were all amazed and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilaeans?"

# (b) The Dialects were Linguistically, 2:8-11a

Acts 2:8 "And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born? 9 Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judaea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia, 10 Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes, 11 Cretes and Arabians..." <u>1 Cor. 14:7</u> And even things without life giving sound, whether pipe or harp, except they give a distinction in the sounds, how shall it be known what is piped or harped? ...

<u>9</u> So likewise ye, except ye utter by the tongue words easy to be understood, how shall it be known what is spoken? for ye shall speak into the air. ...

<u>15</u> What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, and I will pray with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.

<u>16</u> Else when thou shalt bless with the spirit, how shall he that occupieth the room of the unlearned say Amen at thy giving of thanks, seeing he understandeth not what thou sayest? ... <u>18</u> I thank my God, I speak with tongues more than ye all: <u>19</u> Yet in the church I had rather speak five words with my understanding, that by my voice I might teach others also, than ten thousand words in an unknown tongue. <u>20</u> Brethren, be not children in understanding: howbeit in malice be ye children, but in understanding be men.

## (c) The Discourses were Largely Praise, 2:11b

Acts 2:11b "...we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God."

(3) The Assessment, 2:12-13

### (a) Doubt, 2:12

Acts 2:12 And they were all amazed, and were in doubt, saying one to another, What meaneth this?

(b) Decision, 2:13

Acts 2:13 Others mocking said, These men are full of new wine.

**Original Word:** χλευάζω **Transliteration:** chleuazó **Definition:** I mock, scoff, jest, jeer.

**5512** *xleuázō* (from *xleuē*, "a joke") – properly, to joke (jest), i.e. to scoff (ridicule) using barbed humor and mocking jeers (used only in Acts 17:32 – when Paul was on Mars Hill in Athens – NOT – also Acts 2:13). <u>http://biblehub.com/greek/5512.htm</u>

The mocking including an accusation of being drunk on grape juice.

Isa. 65:8 Thus saith the LORD, As the new wine is found in the cluster, and one saith, Destroy it not; for a blessing is in it: so will I do for my servants' sakes, that I may not destroy them all.

#### <u>Summary</u>

The very first church had several principles that we must have in order to experience "HOW REVIVAL ACTS."

- The first church knew that Jesus was the Head of the church.
- The first church obeyed the Lord Jesus Christ's command.
- The first church was empowered by the Holy Ghost.
- The unity of the first church is depicted via prayer and supplication.
- The peace of such unity is given as assurance to the first church.
- The Apostles and disciples practiced faithful church attendance.

- Peter led the first church to take care of necessary business.
- Peter trusted in, and acted upon, the Scriptures.
- The congregation sought God's guidance before deciding Judas' replacement.
- They practiced congregational polity.
- They prayed for God's leadership and direction.
- They exhibited submission to the Lordship of Christ "...Thou, Lord..."
- They sought the Lord's will for those chosen to take care of His business.

- They waited to be empowered for service by the baptism of the Holy Ghost.
- The service during the Feast of Pentecost was a sign to the Jews of God ushering in a new dispensation.

## Conclusion

<u>1 Cor. 14:40</u> Let all things be done decently and in order.

<u>1 Cor. 10:31</u> Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God.