

**God Loves the Church**  
**“Birth of the Body of Christ”**  
**Acts 2:1-41**  
**May 28, 2023**

Additional Passages from last week’s Daily Scriptures:

Deuteronomy 16:9-12; John 14-16; Galatians 6:7

(Map used in the sermon is on the next page along with a summary from Jack Cottrell)

I. Setting (1-11)

A. The Disciples

B. God chose the right day

C. God broke down the barriers

1. Location

2. Language

II. Sermon (14-36)

A. The Holy Spirit

B. Messianic Prophecies

C. The New Covenant has begun

III. Salvation (37-41)

A. The Holy Spirit convicts

B. The people respond

C. The gift

**What am I going to do tomorrow as a result of what I hear today?**

Have questions about today’s message? Earl would love to talk to you! [earl@fccgwd.org](mailto:earl@fccgwd.org)

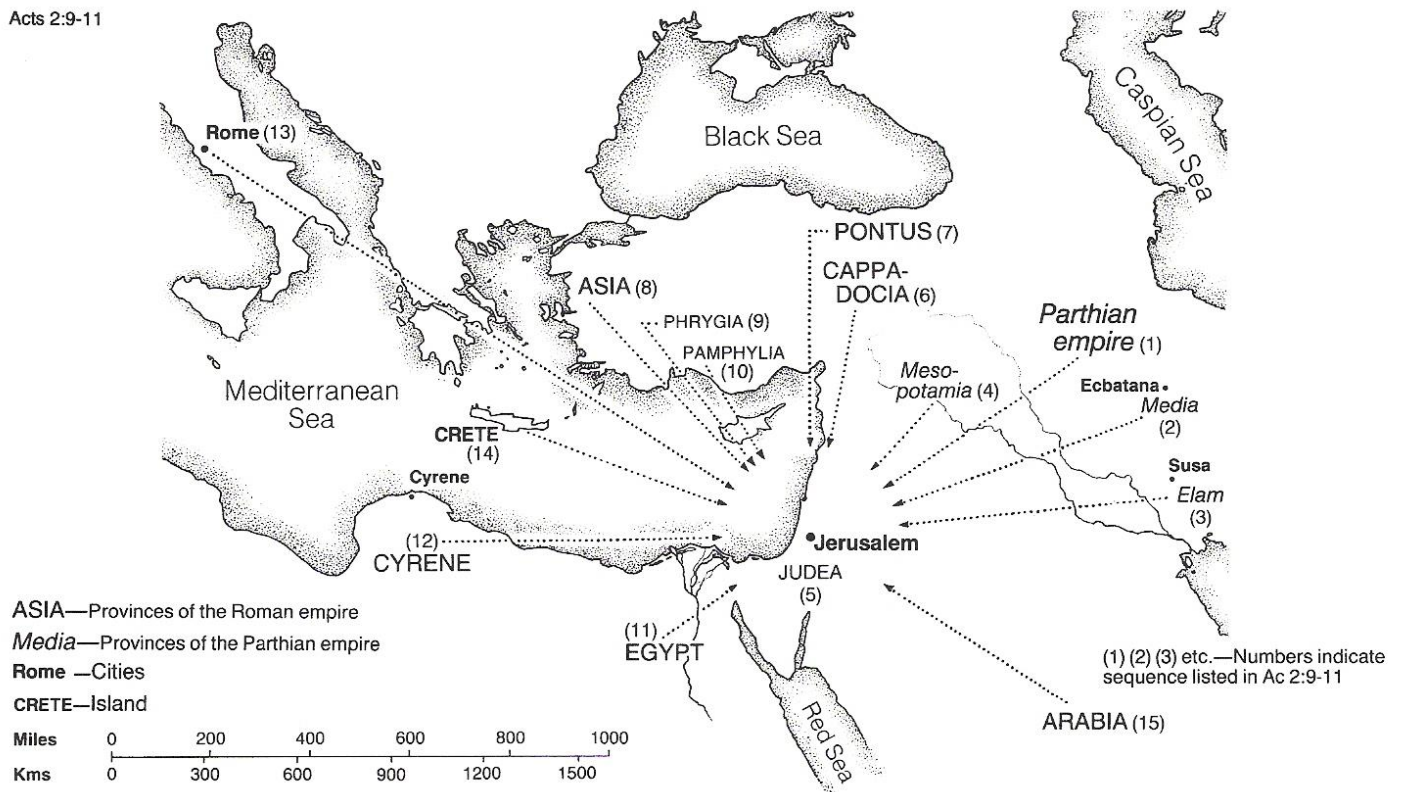
*“So those who received his word were baptized, and  
there were added that day about three thousand souls.”  
(Acts 2:41 ESV)*

Memory Verse for May:

“But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.”  
(Romans 5:8 ESV)

# Countries of People Mentioned at Pentecost

Acts 2:9-11



"Pentecost: One of the Greatest Turning Points in History." (Jack Cottrell)

Here are at least five new things that began on that day:

POINT ONE: A new people of God: The Church

POINT TWO: A new covenant (including new covenant promises, a new day of worship, and a new way of entering the covenant--not physical birth, but spiritual)

POINT THREE: A new salvation gift: the indwelling, sanctifying presence of the Holy Spirit. (This is the only new aspect of the Spirit's work that began then.)

POINT FOUR: A new faith, focused on the person and work of Jesus

POINT FIVE: A new condition for salvation: baptism -- which embodies the first four new things thus:

1. We are baptized into the church, 1 Cor. 12:13
2. We are baptized spiritually into the new covenant, John 3:5
3. We are baptized to receive the indwelling of the Spirit, Acts 2:38
4. We are baptized into Christ and his death and resurrection (Gal. 3:27; Rom. 6:1-6; Col. 2:12)