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the issue around speaking in tongues I think it's one of the most polarizing issues in the Christian Church today some people say that if you do not speak in tongues you don't have the Holy Spirit others say that if you do this type of speaking in tongues you're actually involved in demonic influences how would you answer the question if somebody came to you and were to ask you where do you stand on this issue how would you answer them that's what we're gonna look at in part of today's study the first part is this speaking of tongues this manifestation of the Holy Spirit what does it mean and is the charismatic movement correct in saying that you have to speak in tongues to manage it to demonstrate that you're manifesting the Holy Spirit or is the other camp correct that says that that has nothing to do with God let's explore this together we'll begin with prayer our Heavenly Father we bow before you and we thank you so much God that we have your word to study and that we can study together in iron sharpens iron we can learn from one another we pray father that you'll bless the study this evening as we work through Acts chapter two and that you'll help us to understand the working of your Holy Spirit we know that Jesus Christ told us that all manner of sin will be forgiven except blasphemy against the Holy Spirit we come to you father with sincere hearts we do not want to be found to be blaspheming the Holy Spirit so we pray for your guidance and your understanding as we study your word we ask this Father in Jesus Holy Name so let's begin our study in Acts chapter 2

and verse 1 and it says and when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one Accord in one place and hopefully you joined us for chapter 1 where we saw the background of all of this where Jesus Christ was teaching the disciples personally for 40 years 40 days and then they were waiting another 10 days to come to Pentecost and that's what it means that it was fully come they were counting the 50 days and they finally arrived on Pentecost and they were all with one Accord in Jerusalem because they received the command from their Lord to be in Jerusalem and to wait there until they received power so they're counting now towards Pentecost they don't know what's about to happen they're obeying the command there these are Christians Christ has risen and noticed they're keeping the Feast of Pentecost which some say it's a Jewish feast but clearly even after Christ has risen from the dead these Christians are still keeping Pentecost and look at chapter 20 of the book of Acts where it says Paul had determined to sail by Ephesus because he would not spend the time in Asia for he hurried if it were possible for him to be at Jerusalem the day pentecost so all this time later paul the apostle to the Gentiles is still very careful to observe Pentecost and here he wants to observe it in Jerusalem it's very important to understand that the early Christians kept God's annual Sabbath's and we're going to see the importance of that as we read through the chapter 2 of the book of Acts going back to chapter 2 then he says here Luke is writing suddenly so so they are together in one place they have come to the feast of Pentecost and then suddenly

out of nowhere or I shouldn't say out of nowhere out of heaven suddenly there came a sound so they're all gathered together it's the first thing that they do is they hear this sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind this is powerful this is you know gale force wind like a hurricane and the sound that goes with it is very powerful sound alarming so that's what they hear and then the next thing is it filled the whole house where they were sitting so there is a hundred and twenty disciples and notice they were sitting now you know I think we've all been in rooms where we have a hundred or 200 people the only reason I can think of why everybody would be sitting is it's the Feast of Pentecost and they're just about to begin services so let's say we're all there maybe I'm the worship leader and I'm you know just confirming with the speaker maybe it's Peter that's okay you've got the sermon you're ready to go okay let's get going brethren take your seats we're just about to begin and as we're about to maybe be introduced the speaker for the day of Pentecost suddenly there's this loud sound this wind comes down from heaven it fills the whole room and and there appeared unto them says here there appeared unto them cloven tongues like as of fire and it sat upon each of them so we have this little graphic carriage not quite accurate number one they were all sitting as if they were about to begin the service and then number two it wasn't just fire these were tongues and they were cloven tongues like as of fire and it sat upon each of them so they got that right so every single disciple had one of these

cloven tongues sitting on top of them and it's sat upon each of them so first this wind this Numa fills the room and then these tongues appear over each of the disciples these tongues of fire and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit so you know as much as we thought that the speaker there was gonna be one person giving the sermon today on the day of Pentecost suddenly everybody's filled with the Holy Spirit and everybody has these tongues of fire sitting over them and all of them began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance and this is the contention this is now what is at issue what does it mean to be filled with the Holy Spirit and what does it mean to speak in tongues so let's take a look at this and see one example of the manifestation of the Holy Spirit or the alleged manifestation of the Holy Spirit and what that means and we were using though bit of video today under YouTube's fair use policy for educational purposes the Gospels believe that the holy spirit literally descends upon them and takes over their entire body and the pastor he's the conduit to this divine chaos and I want everybody just and he's doing and everybody's hooked up in certain churches this is known as being slain in spirit the women are covered with sheets to protect their modesty when they fall this is amazing this is the first time I have ever seen somebody totally taken over by the spirit that they actually fall collapsed in the floor now what is all of that is that truly the manifestation of the spirit I'd like you just to keep an open mind and I'm going to suggest to you that this is not what

Luke is writing about in Acts chapter 2 that it's something else and it's something that's quite ancient and I'm gonna ask you now to keep an open mind we're gonna go back back in time to a different culture in fact you know this is a fairly recent video but it's going way back to an ancient practice of the faun tribe in togo and take a look at this what you'll see here is the dismounting this is called so we call it slain in the spirit today they called it back then being mounted by the spirit and you'll see that when somebody is mounted by the spirit or a spirit the other women come around and gather them bill they'll often look after their model as we saw earlier to make sure that they don't fling their clothes off because they have been taken over by a spirit and they have they've lost control over their their their system their muscles their are their capabilities usually what you see if the eyes roll backward first because the Spirit comes in from the top the eyes will roll backward and then what will happen after that if they will then lose control of their tongue and they'll start ghibli this sort of gibberish and they'll see that what they do is they take them in a separate room over time as these women are mounted repeatedly they get used to it and they begin to learn to abide with this spirit and then the spirit can actually speak through them but initially they lose control of their muscles they start to just this electrical power is going through their system now how did this come to North America well it's quite simple to explain it and look at the parallels here you'll see that been in which is where this voodoo

took place and you'll see Louisiana the Gulf states in America now the French when they went in and captured the slaves and all of this slave trade by the way most people don't realize it was the Arabs the invading Muslim Arabs that went into Africa that captured these slaves have sold them to the white white folks who brought them to America White's weren't going to Africa to capture slaves

it was the Arabs that went in there captured them and sold them when they sold the slaves to the afterword through the Louisiana Purchase so when they days from Benin them to burqa to New Orleans and voodoo flourished in Louisiana and New Orleans Underground so during the day they would serve their slave masters but at night they would go through these rituals why am I saying this why is this important well it speaks to the birth of Pentecostalism in America the father of Pentecostalism is a gentleman by the name of William Seymour he was a black preacher that went to Bible School in Texas and there he met a man called Charles Parham who was teaching that the manifestation of the Holy Spirit is necessary in order to or who are speaking in tongues is necessary in order to manifest the Holy Spirit but they were very racist back then and so William Seymour could not participate in the classes he stood at the door and just eavesdropped and that's how he learned the language of Christianity you'll see here in Wikipedia it says that his early life and career Seymour was born to former slaves and these are up the fawn tribe from Benin Simon and Phyllis celibacy more in Centerville Louisiana so these slaves continued the Voodoo that they learned

in Africa that the Fon tribe continued that they were brought by the French to Louisiana and they continued this voodoo and catching the spirit and all of that and William Seymore learned all of this then he went to Texas Bible School and he learned biblical language from Charles Parham and you'll see the other article here on Louisiana voodoo Louisiana voodoo also known as New Orleans voodoo voodoo describes a set of spiritual folk ways that developed from the traditions of the African diaspora those people that left Africa they developed this New Orleans voodoo this Louisiana voodoo witch William Seymore learned how to be slain in the spirit and when he was so the idea then was Charles Parham would teach the whites of America this new understanding and William Seymour would teach it to the blacks while he was teaching somebody hurt him and invited him to California he went to California Azusa Street and started to preach this new doctrine and people started to be slain in the spirit and he now had Christian language to explain it and so this thing there was a whole revival of really took off when Charles Parham came to visit William Seymour and saw what was going on he was shocked and he what he said was this is of the devil and it has nothing to do with him and so they they parted company and this Pentecostal movement spread from Azusa Street all over America and so this is the birth of Pentecostalism and it very clearly can be brought and can be seen to be rooted in been in Africa of the Fon tribe and we need to be very very careful about allowing these spirits to come into us and take over and where are we we lose control of our

muscles and the electricity of the Spirit is causing us to speak in gibberish that has nothing to do with God's Holy Spirit and were warned in Leviticus regard not them that have familiar spirits and that's what we're seeing here with the fawn tribe is they get familiar with these spirits and they have a way of drumming and playing music and they understand how to do the music in such a way does two things number one it attracts the spirits and number two it puts the dancers and the listeners in a state of mind that makes them receptive and they just wait and they keep dancing and drumming and playing the music to see who will the spirit mount and and that's what we see today in the Pentecostal movement and these are sincere people they they believe they're doing what's right but very clearly God warns us regard not them that have these familiar spirits and either seek after Wizards and that's what William Seymour was to be defiled by them I am the Lord your God and in chapter 20 verse 6 and the soul that turns after such as have familiar spirits and after Wizards to go a whoring after them I will even set my face against that soul and will cut him off from among his people to remember Christ told us that we must be very careful not to blaspheme the Holy Spirit and God is saying that these familiar spirits that people are calling on and allowing to invade their their their vessels this this is a pollution and God says that he will cut that soul off so I would really warn you if you are involved in this sort of speaking in tongues or gibberish we you don't understand what you're saying this is not from God

you know what the Corinthians were in and Paul had to write to the Corinthians he wasn't there with them but they were into the spectacular display of spiritualism through the speaking of tongues and whatever they were into it's not this it's very different from what we see here in Acts chapter 2 and Paul had to write to them and say you know I have the gift of tongues and I wish that all of you had the gift of tongues but this is how it works and so make sure that you're you're operating according to these principles if you're not you should not be pursuing this this is not true spirituality and so here let's see what we see in acts 2 they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and then immediately the first order of business remember Christ said wait in Jerusalem until you receive power and then you're going to receive this power so that you can be my witnesses and the very first order of business then with these tongues that are distributed to everybody has one is to then speak and it says to speak with other tongues that's just King James English for languages so they began to speak with other languages as the Spirit gave them utterance so it wasn't gibberish it was real languages and you can tell and I'm speaking English maybe you don't understand English but as I'm speaking you can tell that I'm speaking the real language and if you were speaking another language if you were speaking German I don't understand German but if you were speaking German I would know that that's a real language it's not gibberish I can tell that there's meaning behind what you're saying and there was an incredible meaning behind

what they were saying the purpose of the Holy Spirit was for them to become witnesses of Christ's death burial and direction and that they they are coming to prove and to bear witness that Jesus Christ is the son of God so it says now they were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews devout men so these are very developed men think of the Apostle Paul how would you know Saul at the time when he was so devout this is who was here devout men out of every nation under heaven so these were Jews that had spread out and now it's the feast time and they've come back to Jerusalem from all these different nations and now this spirit has come down upon the hundred and twenty and it's giving them the ability now to communicate to these Jews out of every nation under heaven now when this was noised abroad so this this Russian mighty powerful wind this hurricane gale force wind that came down from heaven they heard that they didn't see the tongues of fire that that's something that so inside the house 120 they saw that or they felt that the the pneuma the spirit filled the house they saw the tongues of fire on each one of them and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit those outside didn't see any of that but they did hear this powerful wind like nothing they've ever heard before and so that attracted the crowd it says and so when this was noised abroad the multitude came together so they doing two things he's making this loud sound to Paul to pull all the development to the source of the sound and he's empowering the disciples to be able to speak powerfully now when this was noised abroad the multitude came together and were confused

why were they confused because everybody just they just heard gibberish no this is why they were confused because every man heard them speak in his own language so they might not be able to understand each other that coming from all different parts of the world but every man could hear the message so they were given content they were trained by Christ that the disciples the Apostles were trained by Christ for 40 days they then would have been teaching the disciples for the next ten days everything that they were learning and now on Pentecost they are filled with the Holy Spirit and they are given the content that they can bear witness for Christ and that is what this multitude of devout Jews is hearing there in the message of the gospel of Jesus Christ not gibberish and so they were confused because not only were they hearing this message they were hearing it in their own language and they were all amazed and marveled this is unbelievable and they said to one another behold are not all these which speak galilaeans and and the implication here is like just galilaeans and you know in canada and i shout out to our brethren in newfoundland i know that they do join us hopefully you're joining us tonight but in in when i was growing up in toronto we had these thing called new feet jobs i didn't even know where newfoundland was but you hear these new features two new two new feet walk into a bar and there's this sense you know in other parts of the canada maybe even new for Monday they will joke around as well that Newfoundlanders are not particularly sophisticated but if you live in the City of Toronto you're sophisticated and so here it seems like

the Galileans are not particularly known to be sophisticated and yet here they all are speaking all of these languages and speaking profound truth it's just it's marvelous they be marvel and then they asked the question how do we hear how here are we every man in his own language wherein we were born so it's like you know when I listen to this person speaking Arabic as an example you know you can you can tell when somebody's learned Arabic and they're speaking it but they don't have it right they don't have the right guttural sounds and all of that but here if I'm an Arab and I'm listening to these men speaking the gospel I'm hearing it with a tongue as if they were born in Arabia and they speak it so perfectly and I can hear very clearly the content that they are speaking and if you were Greek the same thing if you were German let's say the same thing each person is speaking is like these 120 tongues came with specific languages and they landed on specific disciples and empowered that particular disciple to speak that particular language to that particular group of Jews then they Luke then writes about the different languages and people groups that were there parthian's and Medes and Elamites and the dwellers in Mesopotamia and in Judea and Cappadocia in Pontus and Asia Phrygia and Pamphylia in Egypt and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene and strangers of Rome Jews and proselytes Crete's and notice here Arabians you know now we have this whole Muslim movement that claims that Muhammad never company was unlettered how could he have known these truths in the Koran and yet we know that for 600 years

Jews were developing societies and civilizations are in Arabia and Christians were in Arabia as well and the gospel was spreading through Arabia so that's how the Gospel message both the Old Testament and the New Testament arrived in Arabia we do hear them speak in our languages the one who noticed the content it doesn't say you know we're hearing them speak gibberish and this is spectacular look at that one for rolling on the floor look at that one speaking just non-stop gibberish that that is amazing this must be the manifestation of the Spirit it doesn't say that at all says that we are hearing them speak in our language and everybody around us I don't I can't communicate with you but you're hearing the message you're hearing the message I'm hearing the message all in our native tongue and what is the message the wonderful works of God performed by Jesus Christ of Nazareth and we're learning about the death the burial and the resurrection of Christ in our own language and so this is just amazing this is spectacular so we hear this loud noise we run to find out what's going on and we received the Gospel message and they were all amazed and they were in doubt saying one to another what does this mean what on earth is going on here we have never seen anything like this before other is mocking said these men are full of new wine so the brain you'll see here they're saying what does this mean the way we are as human human beings we need an explanation for things that's why narrative is so powerful narrative explains our experience I heard you know in after 9/11 I heard an explanation our the mission of shock that I've never

forgotten and it was this that shock is when experienced outstrips narrative when something happens and we can't explain it we go into a state of shock the human mind needs explanation that's why the storyteller the narrator is the most powerful person on earth because they have the ability to explain what's going on and then the human mind goes oh okay and that's why we see right now this Islamic auntie Kris tick faith spreading like wildfire because Mohammed was a great storyteller and he had an explanation for everything and so people could say oh okay especially if they were Arabs with no exposure to the truth of the gospel okay that's what that is so here they're trying to understand what this is and the narrative is offered saying they're drunk and because of this Christians today believe that in order to prove that they are spiritual in order to prove that they are Christian they have to speak in tongues and they'll go so far as to say they have to demonstrate a sense of drunkenness to prove that they have the gospel or they have the spirit take a look

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I'll tell you what let's look at chapter 1 you know oh so you know I'm not going to question the sincerity of these people I'm going to assume that they're sincere but this is a complete misunderstanding of what's going on here it says the ones that were mocking the ones that didn't want to believe in this they're the ones that said you know what this is nothing more than drunkenness now Peter stood up with the eleven so so there's one narrative that's being you know I can explain this they're drunk oh okay no Peter none then stands up with a

counter narrative and now we have to compare which narrative makes sense they're drunk or what Peter has to say but Peter standing up with the eleven lifted up his voice in other words he shouted this is the boldness that the Holy Spirit has now given Peter this is the coward by the way that betrayed Christ three times before the crew now he's empowered with the Holy Spirit to become a witness for Christ and that's what the Holy Spirit is all about it's about empowering us to be bold witnesses for Christ and that's the work of the Spirit that we're seeing here Peter stood up with the eleven so they were all in unity in one Accord and he shouted this is a you know if you're if you want to avoid danger don't get in the middle of a religious crowd a religious mob that's perhaps one of the most dangerous places to be here Peter finds himself in the middle of this religious mob of devout Jews think of Saul and he's not fearful at all he lifts up his voice and he says to them you men of Judea and all of you that dwell at Jerusalem be this known unto you and hearken to my words for these are not drunken as you suppose seeing it is but the third hour of the day come on it's early morning and are you gonna say that their drum they're not drunk even if they started drinking as soon as they got up they wouldn't be drunk by now it takes a takes a while to be drunk so these are not drunken as you suppose seeing it's but the third hour of the day here's here's what's going on but this is that which was spoken by the Prophet Joel so you know the Scriptures and what's happening before you now was prophesied by Joel and what did he say and it shall

come to pass in the last days says God I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh this was prophesied it's in the scriptures and this is what's happening before you now that God says I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy and again just a footnote to those who are anti women having anything to say it's the will of God that sons and daughters shall prophesy through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit and that's what's happening now with the hundred and twenty and your young men shall see visions and your old men shall dream dreams and on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my spirit and they shall prophesy and so that's what the hundred and twenty were doing empowered by these tongues of fire that enabled them to speak in every language the wonderful works of God and to prophesied to say this is that and to explain to everybody in their own native language what God is doing how God is moving and then in verse 19 he says again continuing the prophecy of Joel and I will show wonders in that in heaven above and signs in the earth beneath blood and fire and vapor smoke so Peter says this is that which is prophesied by Joel and so remember now that when the disciples asked where the Apostles asked Jesus oh is this the time you're going to establish the kingdom of Israel or restore the kingdom to Israel his answer to them was it's not for you to know the time that's the father's business your business is to bear witness of me and to preach the gospel of the kingdom of God and what we see here between verses 18 and 19 when when Peter says this is that which is spoken of by the Prophet Joel

is what's called a hidden interval so you know we were in the distance and I'm looking at this these two mountains from a distance and one is behind the other to me it looks like one mountain I just see this one mountain in front of me if I could come to the side I would see oh it's two mountains and there's a valley in between or maybe as I get closer I would see oh there's a valley in between and that's how God does prophecy that's how he inspires prophecy that the hidden the interval is hidden and so you know when they were looking for the Messiah they saw that the Messiah comes but he comes as the great king and they didn't understand that there's this hidden interval where there's his first appearing and then there's his return and so there's an interval in between and many prophecies are like this and so Peter was absolutely correct this is that which is spoken of by the Prophet Joel the pouring out of the Holy Spirit which which is pictured by the day of Pentecost the next mountain peak in God's plans also the holy days actually picture God's plan the next mountain peak is trumpets and so once the Holy Spirit what once Christ comes and he he fulfills his mission perfectly flawlessly and he is killed and he is then buried and resurrected after three days and three nights then he said you know if when I go away I'll send the comfort and then when the comforter comes that's going to enable you to bear witness of me to all nations and then the next thing that happens after that is the return of Christ so so Peter didn't know when Christ is returning he didn't know when the kingdom is going to be established that wasn't that that wasn't

made known to him that wasn't his business but he didn't know that this is the prophecy that's being unfolded because of God's mercy God wanting all men to come to repentance he has put this hidden interval which is the church age so the church continues this work with the Holy Spirit of bearing witness of the the gospel of Jesus Christ and that the next thing to happen after Pentecost is trumpets and so that's what Peter sees here in quoting the Prophet Joel it's like this is happening now happening now the Spirit has been poured out we are prophesying sons and daughters are prophesying and now the next thing to happen we not understanding the interval but the next thing to happen is trumpets and I will show wonders in heaven above and signs in the earth beneath blood and fire and vapor of smoke the Sun shall be turned into darkness and the moon into blood before the great and noble day of the Lord come so that's the next thing to happen in God's plan and it shall come to pass that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved and that is why God is being patient he's giving the wicked a free rein giving them all the rope they need to demonstrate how just how wicked they want to be and how much they want to hate Christ without a cause and he's giving all of men mankind the opportunity to repent and for those who are going to be in the first fruits harvest to come into that harvest and so now we see if we actually go to the prophecy and jaw that the Jews they were there were development they would develop they know all Peter has to say is this is that which is spoken of by the Prophet Joel and they've got it they

got the whole prophecy memorized and so what was Peter referring to well Joel 2 verse 1 says blow you the trumpet in Zion after Pentecost trumpets is next and that's when Christ comes to crush the wicked and establish his kingdom blow you the trumpet in Zion and sound an alarm in my holy mountain let all the inhabitants of the land tremble for the day of the Lord comes it is near at hand and that's what Peter saw Wow then that's what Christ was educating them on and on where he is in all the prophecies this is it now Pentecost has occurred now the next thing we're looking for is trumpets dropping down to verse 12 of chapter 2 which the Jews would have been very familiar with he says therefore also now says the Lord turn you even to me with all your heart and with fasting and with weeping and with mourning when you see this happening when I pour out my spirit on all flesh and they prophesy of the works of God now is the time to repent now is the time to get right with God because he is coming and he's coming with power and rend your heart and not your garments and turn unto the Lord your God why for he is gracious and merciful and slow to anger and that's what that hidden interval is showing us that God is slow to anger he's poured out his spirit we're now in the church age the next thing to happen is his anger but he's delaying it so that there's time for men to repent rend your heart and not your garments and turn unto the Lord your God for he is gracious and merciful slow to anger and of great kindness and repents him of the evil who knows if he will return and repent so this this judgment is coming but it doesn't have to come on you and leave a blessing behind him even a meat

offering and a drink offering unto the
Lord your God so when you repent come
with an offering and come with sincerity
of heart blow the trumpet in Zion
sanctify fast call a solemn assembly so
going back to acts 2 now so they would
understand that if this is if this is
that if truly if this is that then this
is the time of God's anger and his wrath
and the only hope they have is to turn
to him with their whole heart with
fasting and with it but with an offering
and with mourning and God is slow to
anger he is he is gracious and kind
so Peter continues you men of Israel
hear these words Jesus of Nazareth a man
approved of God among you by miracles
and wonders and signs this is amazing so
this man Jesus Christ who came into the
earth he said I am the son of God and he
didn't say what we said well how do you
know well you know I was in a cave
nobody else was around but I'm telling
you you better believe me or I'll kill
you no he came and God proved that he
was his son by all of these miracles and
wonders God is asking us to believe that
Jesus Christ is his son but he gives us
all kinds of proof all of these miracles
and wonders this man he raised people
from the dead he healed the sick people
who were born blind he enabled them to
see you know in one case
says what's easier to say man get up and
walk or your sins are forgiven you he
had the power to forgive sins but he
didn't say you know your sins are
forgiven you and how do we know if
that's true instead he said get up and
walk and the man stood up and walked so
that we knew that he had the power to
forgive sins so all of these things God
allowed HAP to happen publicly and
openly so that we would know truly this

is the Son of God so God approved
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which God did by him in the mint in the
middle of you he did it openly it wasn't
in a case openly so everybody could see
as you yourselves also know him being
delivered by the determinate counsel and
foreknowledge of God so he was the lamb
slain from the foundation of the earth
so this this was all in God's plan this
had to happen so he was delivered by the
council but he was the kid he was the
lamb slain from the foundation of the of
the world you have taken and by wicked
hands
you've crucified and slain him so this
is that which is spoken of by Joel and
the very next thing to happen now is
what what is symbolized by trumpets it's
the return of God and the crushing of
the wicked and you know what you develop
men you're wicked you have crucified and
slain the son of God whom God has raised
up having loosed the pains of death so
yes you killed him but then God loosed
the pains of death why because it wasn't
possible that he should be held by death
it's impossible why is it impossible
because it's impossible for God to lie
God cannot lie and from the foundation
of the earth God said that the land
would be slain and that that his shed
blood would be the remission of the sins
of mankind and then he would be raised
from the dead so it was impossible for
the grave to hold him because it's
impossible for God's Word
to be false so he he was it was not
possible that he should be held by it
for David now he's quoting so first
he went to Joel now he's going to King
David for David speaks concerning him so
David spoke concerning Christ David was
a king but he was also a prophet and he

prophesied concerning Christ I foresaw
the Lord always before my face
for he is on my right hand that I should
not be moved so he is speaking now on
behalf of Christ therefore did my heart
rejoice and my tongue was glad more also
my flesh shall rest in hope because you
will not leave my soul in hell so this
is the prophecy now of Christ in the
Psalms you will not leave my soul in
Hell neither will you suffer your Holy
One to see corruption who is the Holy
One it is Christ and and you will not
allow Christ's body to see corruption
you have made known to me the ways of
life and you shall make me full of joy
with thy countenance so he is quoting
now Psalm 16 which again the development
would have memorized they would know
exactly what he's saying it's a big time
of David a type of Psalm he says
preserve me O God again David is a
prophet and he's prophesying of Christ
preserve me O God for in who do I put my
trust oh my soul you have said unto the
Lord you are my lord my goodness and
here your goodness extends not to you so
here is speaking to the wicked the
goodness of God does not extend to the
wicked but to the Saints that are in the
earth and to the excellent in whom is
all my delight there this is the wicked
sorrows shall be multiplied that hasten
another God their drink offerings of
blood will I not offer nor take up their
names into my lips so there's this
dichotomy there's this this split
between the righteous and the wicked and
these people who are listening have to
decide which side are you want you can
be devout all you like but you can also
be deceived so are you going to be on
the side of Christ or are you gonna be
on the side of the wicked who are his

enemies and are responsible for
slaughtering him there drink offerings
of blood will I not offer nor take up
their names into my lips the Lord is the
portion of my inheritance and of my cup
you maintain as my lot the lines are
fallen unto me in Pleasant places yes I
have a goodly heritage I will bless the
Lord who has given me counsel my rains
also saw instruct me in the night
seasons I have set the Lord always
before me because he is at my right hand
I shall not be moved
therefore my heart is glad and my glory
rejoices my flesh also shall rest in
hope so David is speaking of Christ for
you will not leave my soul in Hades that
is in the grave neither will you suffer
your Holy One to see corruption who is
the Holy One so so they live reading
these songs maybe they didn't understand
exactly what it what it meant but they
certainly had to memorize now their
understanding now their understanding
that David was prophesying of Christ you
will show me the path of life in your
presence is fullness of joy at thy right
hand there are pleasures evermore
so now he says men and brethren let me
freely speak and I love this I love this
I love this because you know we're in
this era of political correctness where
we're not allowed to freely speak and
and you know I think this is a danger
this is the foundation of Western
civilization it's the foundation of the
judeo-christian ethic that we think
freely we think critically and we speak
we speak freely and we're kind of
getting into this mode now where we're
not allowed to say certain thing to go
oh well that would be racist and I can
remember you know that maybe I was 11 or
12 years old when we got at this um robo

call this phone call from some neo-nazi group and it was all about how you know you have to get rid of blacks and is the first time I realized that people might hate us just because of the color of our skin and so we sent for their literature and we started and we were alarmed this was amazing we had never come across this before and you know what I rejoice in that let them speak freely you know if you have a narrative to tell us your narrative but allow us to give you the counter narrative and then let's think critically and see what is true I'd much rather live in a society where racists can speak freely than in a society where the gospel of Jesus Christ cannot be preached and so he says here men and brethren let me speak freely and that that word really doesn't just mean you know I want to be free to say whatever I want to say if we actually look at the Greek where he says here in verse 29 he says let me speak freely I'm just this word is and yes is this one here Paris they see us and it means boldness you know let me speak freely it it actually if you if you look at B decks or let me just pull this up quickly the the implication here of speaking freely is the use of speech that conceals nothing and passes over nothing outspokenness frankness plainness it's speaking without fear in lieu Anita they actually say the implication is speaking in in the midst of a hostile audience so here that's what the Holy Spirit is all about the Holy Spirit is about enabling the disciples and the Apostles to speak the truth boldly without fear and so here he is in this devout mob and he's speaking boldly let me speak freely unto you of the patriarch David that he is

both dead and buried so here he's saying you know we just read Psalm 16 and I want to tell you that you know if you want to if you want to know about David's ability to rise from the dead he hasn't risen from the dead he's dead and buried and here he says let me speak freely of death of the patriarch david freese both dead and buried and his Sepulchre is with us unto this day there it is right over there therefore being a prophet and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him this is so similar to Abraham when when Abram Abraham was given an oath by God that he knew that you know Isaac cannot remain dead because I've been given an oath by God here David is saying I yeah I've been given this oath and he's a prophet so he was shown something that God had sworn an oath to him that of the fruit of his loins according to the flesh he would raise up Christ to on his throne so Christ as the son of David would sit on David's throne he's seeing this before as a prophet spoke of the resurrection of Christ so Psalm 16 is about the resurrection of Christ not about his own resurrection he's dead and buried and and he's still in the grave waiting for his resurrection but as a prophet he understood now that Christ would die in the grave for three days and three nights and then he would be resurrected he seen this before spoke of the resurrection of Christ that his soul that his Christ's soul was not left in Hades it was not left in the grave neither his flesh did see corruption this Jesus has God raised up where of we are all witnesses and that was what the Holy Spirit did all 120 who received that ton of fire that ability to speak

in all of these different languages to all these different nations the purpose was to enable them as Christ said to be my witnesses to boldly proclaim the gospel of the kingdom of God and so that is what's happened now so Christ went up to heaven and he said to them if I go away I'll send you the comforter so he goes to heaven and he sends the comforter which was the promise of the father this Jesus has God raised up where of we are all witnesses we are telling you that we saw him we saw him crucified he was dead for three days and nights and then we couldn't believe our eyes and our ears and you know we proved to ourselves without a doubt he came back to life the grave could not hold him and we are witnesses of this therefore being by tho and it's not just two witnesses over 500 brethren saw him therefore being by the right hand of God exalted so he humbled himself even to death

and now God has exalted him and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit he has set forth this that this is the father gave him a promise and now this he's gone to heaven and he's sending the comforter and that's what the father promised so he has set forth this what you're seeing now is is God's will which you now see and here for David is not ascended into the heavens as we saw here his tomb is right there but he says himself so he he's dead he's not ascended into the heaven but yet he set himself and he's out quoting another song the Lord said unto my lord seeks you on my right hand until i make your foes your footstool and now he's quoting from psalm 110 the Lord said unto my lord so they finished the king he is the king

of Israel nobody is above him and yet he's saying he has a Lord the king of Israel is saying that he has a Lord somebodies above him and the Lord said to his Lord so who's his Lord sit you at my right hand so the Lord said to his Lord sit you at my right hand until I make your enemies your footstool and he's just finished telling them that you crucified Jesus Christ with wicked hands and the prophecy from David says that he's to sit at the right hand of God until God makes his enemies his footstool and that's what the prophecy of Joel was all about that the anger of God is going to be unleashed on the day of trumpets the Lord shall send the rod of strength of your strength out of Zion rule you in the midst of your enemies your enemies cannot stop the Word of God and Christ is going to sit on the throne of David and with an iron rock over the enemies of God your people shall be willing in the day of your power and the beauties of holiness from the womb of the morning you have the dew of your youth the Lord has sworn and he will not repent there's no abrogation here when God speaks it happens the Lord has sworn and will not repent you are a priest forever after the order of Melchisedec so this is a higher order than the Levitical priesthood and that Christ is not just the priest in the order of Melchizedek he is a king priest he's also a king so he's going to rule over his enemies as a king the Lord at your right hand shall strike through kings in the day of his wrath on the day of trumpets he shall judge among the heathen he shall fill the places with dead body so the heathen are non-israelites he shall filled places with dead bodies

he shall ruin the heads over many countries this is going to be a calamitous time and it's just ahead of us now where these wicked nations think that they have the upper hand but Christ is coming he shall drink of the brook in the way therefore shall he lift up the head coming back to acts 2 therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made that same Jesus whom you crucified so he just finished talking to them about what's gonna happen to the enemies of God and about how Joel made it clear that the only way out of this is to repent with fasting and men and bringing an offering because God is gracious you crucified God has made in both Lord and Christ now when they heard this this is some powerful preaching and these are devout men they know the scriptures they just didn't understand what they meant and now Peter is making it very clear this is what Joel was talking about this is the very next thing to happen now after Pentecost his trumpets and this is what David prophesied and Christ is a king and and this is all orchestrated by the father and you big trouble because you're on the wrong side now when they heard this they were pricked in their heart and said unto Peter and to the rest of the Apostles men and brethren what shall we do and that's what powerful preaching does you know Peter could have stood up and said wow this is a big crowd I hope I don't know upset anybody I just wanted to say that you know crowd will never mind I can see you're upset no he spoke boldly and powerfully and was very very well-versed in the scriptures and the response was men and brethren were in big trouble this this is we had no clue

what we were doing we didn't understand
what do we do then Peter said unto
them repent and be baptized every one of
you in the name of Jesus Christ for the
remission of sins and you shall receive
the gift of the Holy Spirit and so
there's this massive repentance and
baptism now for the promise is unto you
and to your children and to all that are
afar off so this is the gospel going to
all the Jew first but eventually to the
Gentile even as many as the Lord our God
shall call and we see we know from
Corinthians that there's an order to how
they are called
and with many other words that he
testify and exhort saying save
yourselves from this untoward generation
then they that gladly received his
word were baptized so there's someone
glad you know perhaps those ones that
sell their drunk mocking they didn't
want to believe but there were among
them people who wanted to hear the truth
and they gladly received it and they
were baptized and that same day they
were added unto them about 3,000 souls
and just very quickly if we go into
Exodus I think most of people are aware
that Pentecost was the time they
received the law and Pentecost was when
they received the spirit and on
Pentecost in ancient Israel this was the
time when Moses said
after it came back and he saw the people
polluting themselves thus says the Lord
God of Israel but every man his sword by
his side and go in and out from gate to
gate throughout the camp and slay every
man his brother and every man his
companion and every man his neighbor
they were involved in some filthy sin
and so here he he goes he commands the
children of Levi and they did according

to the word of Moses and there fell of the people that day 3,000 men so we see on Pentecost instantly when the law was given 3,000 souls were lost and here in the New Covenant on Pentecost 3,000 souls were saved were added so that the Spirit gives life the law brings death because we cannot keep the law without the spirit and then he says here they continued steadfastly in the Apostles doctrine and fellowship and in breaking of bread and in prayers so 3,000 Souls added to the church there were 120 there and no doubt they continued to to preach and people brethren or people continue to repent and and they continued steadfastly they were really focused and very clear that this you know again they didn't know when Christ is gonna return that wasn't for them to know their job was to be witnesses and that's what they were doing here and continuing steadfastly in the Apostles doctrine and fellowship and in the breaking of bread and in prayers and fear came upon every soul and many wonders and signs were done by the Apostle so again we're gonna see this next week as well as we move through Acts that all of the miracles that Christ did he continues to do through his church through the power of the Holy Spirit so he said you know the Acts of the Holy Spirit didn't want to focus that the agency is the Holy Spirit but really it should be you know Luke first Lucas the Acts of Jesus Christ and second Luke is acts of Jesus Christ and fear came upon every soul and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles and all that believed were together and had all things in common and sold their possessions and goods and parted them to all men as every man had need so they

really had this communal approach and everybody looking after each other and they continued daily with one Accord in the temple and breaking bread from house to house did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart they were very very focused praising God and having favor with all the people and the Lord continued to add to the church daily this was a powerful work a very powerful witness and the Lord continued to add to the church daily such as should be saved so so here we have chapter two again one of the most misunderstood passages in the Christian community I hope that through this study reading it line by line we've added a bit of clarity and now what's important as we now proceed through the rest of Acts is not to have scriptural amnesia scriptural scriptural amnesia means we read all of this and because it's in chapter 2 we leave it in chapter 2 now next week we'll go to chapter 3 and we're gonna forget all about this the key to understanding the book of Acts is that Pentecost begins the church age and it's the movement of the Holy Spirit through the church that enables Christ to work through his body so his he's the head of the church and he's in heaven but his body is on earth and he's able to continue his work through the church and we're going to see that now the work of God is to preach the gospel of the kingdom as a witness and to have men believe that Jesus Christ truly the son of God and he is coming with great news for those of us with sincere hearts who love his appearing who want to repent and be right with God we don't need to worry about what's happening in the world today we can rejoice because

great great news is coming and so next week we'll begin chapter 3 I just asked you to study chapter 1 and 2 and really have that as the foundation for the rest of our study through the book of Acts so if you're watching live I'm going to go now to the chatroom and we can talk about what we've studied here and looking forward to speaking with you next week may God bless you and rejoice in the gospel of Jesus Christ and the kingdom of God