

Palm Sunday to Pentecost

Read 1Corinthians 12:1 - 11:

How does having the Holy Spirit confirm that we are saved in Christ?

What is Paul's concern about the Corinthians' attitude to the Holy Spirit?

Who decides what spiritual gifts we get? For what purpose are they given?

How does the Holy Spirit equip you for service?

Study 7: Pentecost.

Readings: John 14:15 - 27
Acts 2:1 – 21
1Corinthians 12:1 - 11

As Jesus taught his disciples on the night before his crucifixion Jesus taught about sending another counsellor, to assure them that they would not be alone and that they would be equipped for the role they were about to take on.

This role was to continue the ministry that Jesus had begun. They were to achieve so much more. The Book of Acts records this continued ministry as the Gospel was spread throughout the known civilized world.

That work continues to this very day as the Holy Spirit equips every Christian. The word continues to be shared. In Matthew 28:20 as Jesus gives the Great Commission, he promised to be with them until the very end of the age.

Before you read:

Are you aware that you have the Holy Spirit? How do you know?

Read John 14:15 - 27:

What is the role of the Holy Spirit?

How are we to live with the Holy Spirit?

In v20 what will we realize? How will this affect our behaviour?

How does the Holy Spirit continue the work of Jesus in us?

Why does Jesus teach about the Holy Spirit on the night before he died?

Read Acts 2:1 - 21:

Look back at Acts 1:8, how does Jesus describe the role of the Holy Spirit in this verse?

What are the main events that occurred on the day of Pentecost?

How did those who were not disciples respond? How is this similar to the response of the world described in John 14:17?

How do these events show how the disciples are to be equipped?

In Peter's address how does he see these events as a fulfilment of scripture and the dawn of a new era?