

Acts 2:1

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place.

Analysis

When the day of Pentecost was fully come (ἐν τῷ συμπληροῦσθαι)—The timing was sovereignly appointed, not accidental. Pentecost (Greek for 'fiftieth') occurred fifty days after Passover, fulfilling Jesus' promise of 'not many days hence' (1:5). **They were all with one accord** (όμοθυμαδόν) emphasizes unity—this Greek word appears eleven times in Acts, always denoting corporate harmony enabling God's work. The 120 believers gathered in prayerful expectation, demonstrating that Pentecost was both divine initiative and human preparation. This moment inaugurates the church age and New Covenant promised by Joel.

Historical Context

Pentecost was the Feast of Weeks, celebrating wheat harvest and (in Jewish tradition) commemorating the giving of the Law at Sinai. Jerusalem would have been crowded with pilgrims from throughout the Mediterranean world—God's timing made maximum gospel spread possible. Occurred around 30 AD, ten days after Christ's ascension.

Related Passages

Romans 2:1 — Judging others

Revelation 20:12 — Judgment according to deeds

Study Questions

1. What role does corporate unity ('one accord') play in experiencing God's power today?
2. How does Pentecost's timing during a Jewish feast reveal God's redemptive continuity?

Interlinear Text

Καὶ ἐν τῷ συμπληροῦσθαι τὴν ἡμέραν τῆς
And when G3588 was fully come G3588 the day G3588
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πεντηκοστῆς ἦσαν ἄπαντες ὁμοθυμαδὸν ἐπὶ τὸ αὐτό^ν
of Pentecost they were all with one accord in G3588 one place G846
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Additional Cross-References

Romans 15:6 (Parallel theme): That ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Philippians 2:2 (Parallel theme): Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind.

1 Corinthians 16:8 (Parallel theme): But I will tarry at Ephesus until Pentecost.

Philippians 1:27 (Parallel theme): Only let your conversation be as it becometh the gospel of Christ: that whether I come and see you, or else be absent, I may hear of your affairs, that ye stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel;

Zephaniah 3:9 (Parallel theme): For then will I turn to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of the LORD, to serve him with one consent.