

Then Peter stood up with the other eleven apostles and in a loud voice began to speak to the crowd:

'Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, listen to me and let me tell you what this means. This is what the prophet Joel spoke about:

'Yes, even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my spirit in those days, and they will proclaim my message.'

Listen to these words, fellow Israelites!

Jesus of Nazareth was a man whose divine authority was clearly proven to you by all the miracles and wonders which God performed through him.

You yourselves know this, for it happened here among you.

In accordance with his own plan, God had already decided that Jesus would be handed over to be crucified.

But God has raised this very Jesus from death, and we are all witnesses to this fact.

All the people of Israel, then, are to know for sure that this Jesus, whom you crucified, is the one that God has made lord and messiah!

When the people heard this, they were deeply troubled and said to Peter and the other apostles, 'What shall we do, brothers?'

Peter said to them, 'Each one of you must turn away from your sins and be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ, so that your sins will be forgiven; and you will receive God's gift, the holy spirit.

For God's promise was made to you and your children, and to all who are far away - all whom the Lord our God calls to himself'.

Many of them believed his message and were baptised, and about three thousand people were added to the group that day.

They spent their time in learning from the apostles, taking part in the fellowship, and sharing in the fellowship meals and the prayers.

Based on Acts 2
(Come and See)