

Chapter 28

New Beginnings



THE STORY

“be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”

Acts 1:5

**“ And the Spirit of God was
hovering over the waters.”**

Genesis 1:2



“And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; that is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not behold Him or know Him,...



**but you know Him because He
abides with you and will be in you.
I will not leave you as orphans; I
will come to you.” John 14:16-18**



“You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere – in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” Acts 1:8



“Men of Galilee, they said, why are you standing here staring into heaven? Jesus has been taken from you into heaven, but someday he will return from heaven in the same way you saw him go.”

Acts 1:11



**“God will pour out (His) Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream visions.”
Acts 2:17-18**



“Then Peter stepped forward with the eleven other apostles and shouted to the crowd, “Listen carefully, all of you, fellow Jews and residents of Jerusalem! Make no mistake about this. These people are not drunk, as some of you are assuming. Nine o’clock in the morning is much too early for that...”



No, what you see was predicted long ago by the prophet Joel. In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons.....People of Israel, listen! God publicly endorsed Jesus the Nazarene by doing powerful miracles, wonders, and signs...



through Him, as you well know. But God knew what would happen, and his prearranged plan was carried out when Jesus was betrayed. With the help of lawless Gentiles, you nailed Him to a cross and killed him. But God released him from the horrors of death and raised him back to life,...



for death could not keep him in its grip.....God raised Jesus from the dead, and we are all witness of this. Now he is exalted to the place of the highest honor in heaven, at God's right hand. And the Father, as he had promised, gave him the Holy Spirit to pour out upon us, just as you see and hear today.



Acts 2

THE STORY

**“Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of sins.”
Acts 2:38**



“All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals (including the Lord’s Supper), and to prayer. A deep sense of awe came over them all, and the apostles performed many miraculous signs and wonders...



And all the believers met together in one place and shared everything they had. They sold their property and possessions and shared the money with those in need. They worshiped together at the Temple each day, met in homes for the Lord's Supper,...



and shared their meals with great joy and generosity; all the while praising God and enjoying the goodwill of all the people. And each day the Lord added to their fellowship those who were being saved.” Acts 2:42-47

