Family Discipleship Resource

Mar 16-22 (Acts 2:5-13)



G – <u>Gather for Prayer</u>

Father,

Help me to discern your truth. Equip me, my family, and our church in abundant was as we are pursuing your mission.

In Jesus' Name, Amen

R - Read the Text (Acts 2:5-13)

⁵ Now there were Jews living in Jerusalem, devout men from every nation under heaven. ⁶ And when this sound occurred, the crowd came together, and were bewildered because each one of them was hearing them speak in his own language. ⁷ They were amazed and astonished, saying, "Why, are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸ And how is it that we each hear them in our own language to which we were born? ⁹ Parthians and Medes and Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the districts of Libya around Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹ Cretans and Arabs—we hear them in our own tongues speaking of the mighty deeds of God." ¹² And they all continued in amazement and great perplexity, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³ But others were mocking and saying, "They are full of sweet wine."

O – Observe what God has said

Who responded first to the events of Pentecost?

How did the people respond? Why do you suppose they react this way?

W - Work on Application

There is at least one practical application that we might take home with us from this passage in addition to these theological considerations. Just as the different tongues supernaturally supplied by the Holy Spirit afforded the disciples an opportunity to testify to the deeds of God and share the gospel message in a unique way, the Holy Spirit can and does uniquely equip us to do the same today. Though this may not be through the ability to speak multiple unlearned languages, our gifts, our talents, our opportunities are gifts we can and should employ to draw attention to the person and work of Jesus wherever God should lead us. In what ways are you utilizing what the Spirit has given you? Perhaps today you need to ask for God to identify and/or equip you for the work we have been given.

How are you gifted? What do you need to ask the Lord to provide you so that you can be faithful to His mission?