

STUDY GUIDE

Acts 2:1-41

“Empowered by His Spirit”

- 1) **Who is the Holy Spirit? What does the Holy Spirit do? Share what characteristic of the Holy Spirit is most evident in your own life.**

- 2) **What is the difference between being “filled with the Holy Spirit” and being “baptized with the Holy Spirit”? Describe an experience you’ve had in your walk with Jesus Christ that reflects one of these.**

- 3) **What was the purpose of the “baptism with the Holy Spirit” in the book of Acts? Where do we see that in the second chapter of Acts?**

- 4) **How is the story of Tower of Babel in Genesis 11 connected to the “speaking in tongues” in Acts 2? What was the main purpose and effect of “speaking in tongues” in the context of the Tower of Babel?**

- 5) **How did the “speaking of tongues” at Pentecost break down the barriers between fallen humanity? Discuss the implications of how this should affect the way we make decisions in life.**

- 6) **Share what part (s) of Peter’s proclamation of the gospel spoke to you the most.**

- 7) **Acts 2 tells us when the power of the Holy Spirit did come upon the apostles and those in the early church, they became powerful witnesses for Jesus Christ. What would that look like in your life? What would that look like at Arrowsmith Baptist church? What would that look like in our community?**

- 8) **FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION: Discuss the implications (personally and for the church) of . . .**

“Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself.” Acts 2:38-39