¹ When the day of Pentecost¹ arrived, they were all together² in one place³.

² And suddenly there came from heaven a sound like a mighty rushing wind⁴, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.

³ And divided tongues and rested on each one of them.

⁴ And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit⁶ and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance.

because each one was hearing them speak in his own language.

⁷ And they were amazed and astonished, saying,

"Are not all these who are speaking Galileans?

⁸ And how is it that we hear, each of us in his own native language?

⁹ Parthians and Medes and Elamites and residents of Mesopotamia,

Judea and Cappadocia,

Pontus and Asia,

¹⁰ Phrygia and Pamphylia,

Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene,

as of fire⁵ appeared to them

and visitors from Rome,

¹¹ both Jews and proselytes,

Cretans and Arabians—

we hear them telling in our own tongues the mighty works of God."⁷

¹² And all were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another,

"What does this mean?"

¹³ But others mocking said,

"They are filled with new wine."

¹⁴ But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them:

"Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem,

let this be known to you, and give ear to my words.

⁵ Now there were dwelling in Jerusalem Jews, devout men from every nation under heaven.

⁶ And at this sound the multitude came together, and they were bewildered,

¹ Literally, the Fiftieth, that is fifty days from Passover. The Festival is called the Festival of Weeks (Exo. 34:22) or Harvest/Firstfruits in the OT. Weeks because it is 7 weeks after Passover (7x7 = 49 days, and the 50th day is the beginning of the new week). It is called Firstfruits or Harvest because it is the season of the first-fruits of the crops that would be mature and were to be given to the LORD (Exo. 23:16).

² Acts 1:13-15 – A total of 120 people.

³ Possibly the "upper room" of the house (Acts 1:13; 2:46b) or one of the many rooms or halls of the Temple (Luke 24:53; Acts 2:46a).

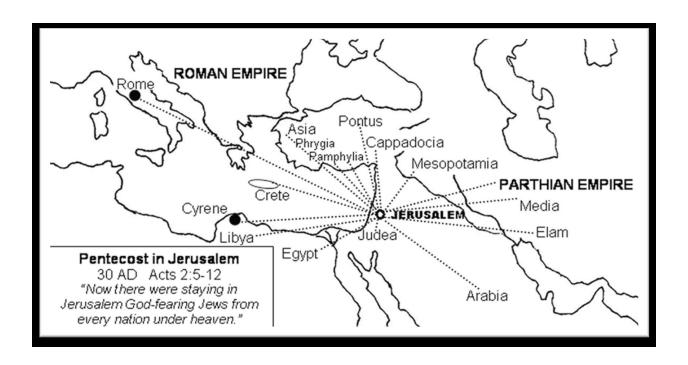
⁴ Luke 24:49, Acts 1:8.

⁵ Isa. 6:6-7.

⁶ Luke 3:16; Acts 1:5.

⁷ Cf. Gen. 11 – the Tower of Babel.

For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour⁸ of the day.



⁸ That is, 9am.