

Baldwin Hills Baptist Church

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Sermon Scriptures

Luke 1:1-4 **1** ¶ Inasmuch as many have undertaken to compile an account of the things accomplished among us, **2** just as they were handed down to us by those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and servants of the word, **3** it seemed fitting for me as well, **having investigated everything carefully** from the beginning, to write *it* out for you in consecutive order, **most excellent Theophilus**; **4** so that you may know the exact truth about the things you have been taught.

Acts 1:1-3 **1** ¶ The first account **I composed, Theophilus**, about all that Jesus began to do and teach, **2** until the day when He was taken up *to heaven*, after He had by the Holy Spirit given orders to the apostles whom He had chosen. **3** To these He also presented Himself alive after His suffering, by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over *a period of forty days* and speaking of the things concerning the kingdom of God.

Col. 4:14 **Luke, the beloved physician**, sends you his greetings, and *also* Demas.

Acts 2:1-8 **1** ¶ When the **day of Pentecost** had come, they were all together in one place. **2** And suddenly there **came from heaven a noise** like a violent rushing wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. **3** And there appeared to them tongues as of fire distributing themselves, and they rested on each one of them. **4** And they were all **filled with the Holy Spirit** and began to speak with **other tongues**, as the Spirit was giving them utterance. **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?”

Acts 2:14 ¶ **But Peter**, taking his stand with the eleven, raised his voice and declared to them: “Men of Judea and all you who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you and **give heed to my words**.

Acts 2:22-24 **22** ¶ “**Men of Israel, listen to these words**: Jesus the Nazarene, a man attested to you by God with miracles and wonders and signs which God performed through Him in your midst, just as you yourselves know — **23** this *Man*, delivered over **by the predetermined plan and foreknowledge of God**, you nailed to a cross by the hands of godless men and **put Him to death**. **24** “**But God raised Him up again**, putting an end to the agony of death, since it was impossible for Him to be held in its

power.

Acts 2:32, 33 32 “This Jesus God raised up again, to which we are all witnesses. **33** “Therefore having been exalted to the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, **He has poured forth this** which you both see and hear.

Acts 2:36-41 36 ¶ “Therefore let all the house of Israel know for certain that God has **made Him both Lord and Christ — this Jesus whom you crucified.**” **37** ¶ Now when they heard *this*, **they were pierced to the heart**, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, “**Brethren, what shall we do?**” **38** Peter *said* to them, “**Repent**, and each of you **be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins**; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. **39** “For the promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off, **as many as the Lord our God will call to Himself.**” **40** And with many other words he solemnly testified and kept on exhorting them, saying, “**Be saved from this perverse generation!**” **41** So then, **those who had received his word were baptized**; and that day there were added about **three thousand souls**.

Matt. 16:18 “I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock **I will build My church**; and the gates of Hades **will not overpower it**.

John 14:17 *that is* the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it does not see Him or know Him, *but* you know Him because **He abides with you and will be in you**.

Rom. 8:9, 11 9 ¶ However, you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the **Spirit of God dwells in you**. But if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he does not belong to Him. **11** But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead **dwells in you**, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through **His Spirit who dwells in you**.

1 Cor. 12:13 For by one Spirit **we were all baptized** into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Acts 19:2 He said to them, “Did you receive the Holy Spirit **when you believed?**” And they *said* to him, “No, we have not even heard whether there is a Holy Spirit.”

Acts 5:1-11 1 ¶ But a man named **Ananias, with his wife Sapphira**, sold a piece of property, **2** and **kept back some of the price** for himself, with his wife’s full knowledge, and **bringing a portion of it**, he laid it at the apostles’ feet. **3** **But Peter said**, “Ananias, **why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the Holy Spirit and to keep back some of the price of the land?** **4** “While it remained *unsold*, did it not remain your own? And after it was sold, was it not under your control? Why is it that **you have conceived this deed in your heart?** You have not lied to men but to God.” **5** And as he heard these words, **Ananias fell down and breathed his last**; and **great fear** came

over all who heard of it.

Acts 5:6 The young men got up and covered him up, and **after carrying him out, they buried him.** **7** ¶ Now there elapsed an interval of **about three hours, and his wife came in, not knowing what had happened.** **8** And Peter responded to her, “Tell me whether you sold the land for such and such a price?” And she said, “Yes, that was the price.” **9** Then Peter *said* to her, “Why is it that **you have agreed together** to put the Spirit of the Lord to the test? Behold, the feet of those who have buried your husband are at the door, and they will carry you out *as well.*” **10** And **immediately she fell at his feet and breathed her last**, and the young men came in and found her dead, and they carried her out and buried her beside her husband. **11** And **great fear came over the whole church**, and over all who heard of these things.

Acts 6:1-7 **1** ¶ Now at this time while the disciples were increasing *in number*, a **complaint arose on the part of the Hellenistic Jews against the native Hebrews**, because their widows were **being overlooked in the daily serving of food.** **2** So the twelve summoned the congregation of the disciples and said, “**It is not desirable for us to neglect the word of God in order to serve tables.**” **3** “Therefore, brethren, select from among you **seven men of good reputation, full of the Spirit and of wisdom**, whom we may put in charge of this task. **4** “But **we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.**” **5** The statement found approval with the whole congregation; and they chose **Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit**, and Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas and Nicolas, a proselyte from Antioch. **6** And these they brought before the apostles; and after praying, they laid their hands on them. **7** ¶ The word of God kept on spreading; and **the number of the disciples continued to increase greatly in Jerusalem**, and a great many of the priests were becoming obedient to the faith.

Acts 4:4 But many of those who had heard the message believed; and the **number of the men came to be about five thousand.**

Acts 6:8-10 **8** ¶ And **Stephen, full of grace and power, was performing great wonders and signs among the people.** **9** But some men from what was called the Synagogue of the Freedmen, *including* both Cyrenians and Alexandrians, and some from Cilicia and Asia, **rose up and argued with Stephen.** **10** But they were unable to cope with the wisdom and **the Spirit with which he was speaking.**

Acts 7:51-60 **51** ¶ “You men who are **stiff-necked and uncircumcised in heart and ears are always resisting the Holy Spirit**; you are **doing just as your fathers did.** **52** “Which one of the prophets did your fathers not persecute? They killed those who had previously announced the coming of the Righteous One, whose betrayers and murderers you have now become; **53** you who received the law as ordained by angels, **and yet did not keep it.**” **54** ¶ Now when they heard this, **they were cut to the quick, and they began gnashing their teeth at him**

Acts 7:55 But being full of the Holy Spirit, he gazed intently into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus **standing** at the right hand of God; **56** and he said, “Behold, I see the heavens opened up and the **Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.**” **57** But they **cried out with a loud voice, and covered their ears and rushed at him with one impulse.** **58** When they had driven him out of the city, they *began stoning him*; and the witnesses laid aside their robes at the feet of a young man named Saul. **59** They went on stoning Stephen as he called on *the Lord* and said, “**Lord Jesus, receive my spirit!**” **60** Then **falling on his knees**, he cried out with a loud voice, “**Lord, do not hold this sin against them!**” Having said this, he fell asleep.

Acts 8:4-8, 12 **4** ¶ Therefore, those who had been scattered went about preaching the word. **5** Philip went down to the city of Samaria and *began proclaiming Christ to them.* **6** The crowds with one accord were giving attention to what was said by Philip, as they heard and saw the signs which he was performing. **7** For in the case of many who had unclean spirits, they were coming out of them shouting with a loud voice; and many who had been paralyzed and lame were healed. **8** So there was much rejoicing in that city. **12** But when they believed Philip preaching the good news about the kingdom of God and the name of Jesus Christ, they were being baptized, men and women alike.

Eph. 2:11-22 **11** ¶ Therefore remember that **formerly you, the Gentiles in the flesh**, who are called “Uncircumcision” by the so-called “Circumcision,” *which is* performed in the flesh by human hands — **12** *remember* that you were at that time separate from Christ, excluded from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, **having no hope and without God in the world.** **13** But now in Christ Jesus you who formerly were far off have been **brought near by the blood of Christ.** **14** For He Himself is our peace, who made **both groups into one** and broke down the barrier of the dividing wall, **15** by abolishing in His flesh the enmity, *which is* the Law of commandments *contained* in ordinances, so that **in Himself He might make the two into one new man, thus establishing peace,** **16** and might reconcile them both in one body to God through the cross, by it having put to death the enmity. **17** AND HE CAME AND PREACHED PEACE TO YOU WHO WERE FAR AWAY, AND PEACE TO THOSE WHO WERE NEAR; **18** for through Him we both have our access in one Spirit to the Father. **19** So then you are **no longer strangers and aliens**, but you are **fellow citizens** with the saints, and **are of God’s household,** **20** having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the corner *stone*, **21** in whom the whole building, being fitted together, is growing into a holy temple in the Lord, **22** in whom you also are being built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit.

John 13:34, 35 **34** “A new commandment I give to you, **that you love one another**, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. **35** “By this all men will

know that **you are My disciples, if you have love for one another.**”

John 15:12 ¶ “This is **My commandment**, that you love one another, **just as I have loved you.**

John 15:17 “**This I command you**, that you love one another.

1 Thess. 4:9 ¶ Now as to the love of the brethren, you have no need for *anyone* to write to you, for you yourselves **are taught by God to love one another;**

1 Pet. 1:22 ¶ Since you have in obedience to the truth **purified your souls for a sincere love of the brethren**, fervently love one another **from the heart**,

1 John 3:23 ¶ This is His commandment, that **we believe in the name of His Son Jesus Christ**, and **love one another**, just as He commanded us.

Matt. 7:21 ¶ “**Not everyone** who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will **enter the kingdom of heaven**, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven *will enter*.

2 Cor. 5:10 For **we must all appear** before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may **be recompensed for his deeds in the body**, according to what he has done, **whether good or bad.**

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