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Acts Lesson 4 2:14-21

Peter's Address 2:14-15 Heb 8:8-10

"with the eleven" The Holy Spirit recognizes Matthias.

Judea = a region of Palestine, Vs. 22 clarifies who.

They're not drunk! It was morning.

Peters appeal to Prophecy 2:16-21 Crf. Joel 2:28-32

Vs 16-17 "this is that" what? The = "last days" Vs 17

What they saw was just "tongues" Peters refers to more than just tongues.

Peter affirms they are in the "last days"

Joel "Last Days" 5X see Vs 20 "the day of the Lord"

Joel contains 4 uses of the phrase "the day of the Lord"

Joel 1:14-15, 2:1-3, 2:10-11, 3:14-17

The decision point in Joel = 2:12-14 "who knoweth"

Zephaniah contains 6 uses of the phrase "the day of the Lord" (the most)

Zeph. 1:7-8, 1:14-18, 2:1-3

Also a decision point in Zephaniah = 2:3 "it may be"

Peter references a well known Jewish doctrine = the day of the Lord.

Peter would not need to explain this.

Just like John the Baptist did not need to explain the "Kingdom of Heaven"

Vs 17 Continued "your sons" "your daughters" "your young men" "your old men"

Visions and Dreams, The church today is fixated on dreams and visions.

"vision" "visions" 97X in Bible "visions" Use by Paul 1X about himself.

"vision" Paul uses in Acts only 4X about himself.

The Body of Christ is NOT to be expecting dreams or visions! We have Scripture.

For many today, scripture is not enough.

Vs 18 "my servants" "my handmaidens" Who is this? The "your" is covered in Vs 17.

Crf. Joel 2:29 "the servants" "the handmaidens"

Many references to "my servants the prophets" in the OT

Many references to Israel having servants in the OT also.

"handmaid" is almost always an actual servant or a title of humility.

It would be very shaky ground to try to teach this is either Gentiles or the Body of Christ.

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“They shall prophecy”

We do find specific references to “servant prophets in Rev. 10:7, 11:18,

Vs 19-20 The signs that did not happen.

Blood moons? Joel 2:2 “there hath not been ever the like”

We can find these signs in the future Rev 6:12 + Rev 8:12.

Either the “last days” have been going on for 2000 years OR?

Something has changed?

If dreams and visions are still active we do not have a complete Bible.

Vs 21 Another interesting similarity: Joel 2:32 – Zeph 3:9

Joel “delivered”

Peter and Paul both use this quote.

Peter Acts 2:21

Paul Rom 10:12-13

Peter’s context has not happened yet. (But will!)

Paul’s context has happened!

Does any of this sound like the first days of the Body of Christ?