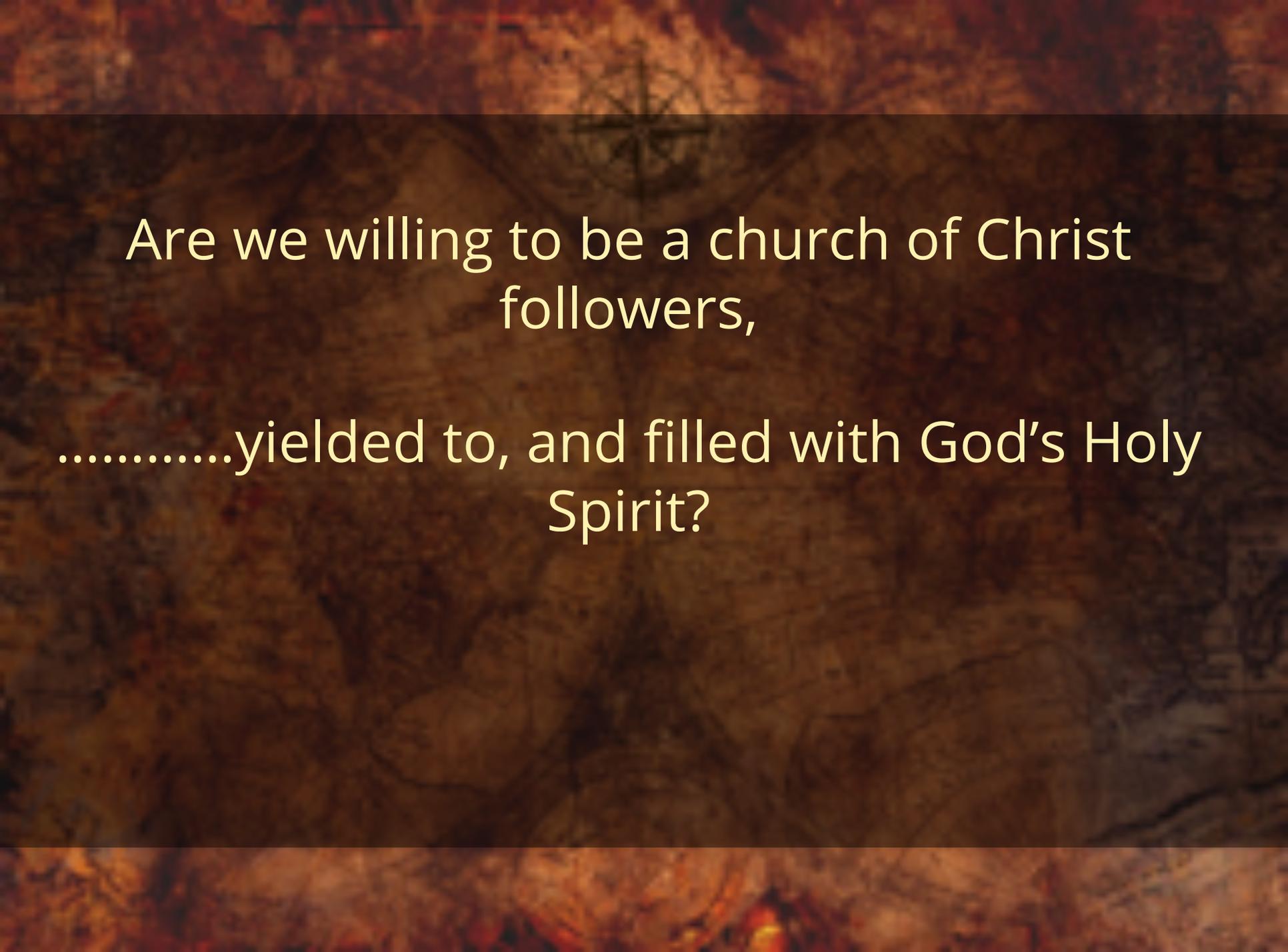




the
CHURCH

TOGETHER FOR THE GOSPEL

A STUDY IN ACTS



Are we willing to be a church of Christ
followers,

.....yielded to, and filled with God's Holy
Spirit?

Acts 2:1-3

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. 3 They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them.

Acts 2: 4-7

4 All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. 5 Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. 6 When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. 7 Utterly amazed, they asked: "Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans?"

Acts 2:8-12

8 Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language? 9 Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia,[b] 10 Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome 11 (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!” 12 Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean?”

Who is "They" ?

Early followers of Christ, about 120 people...humble, yielded to the Lord



Who is “they “ ?

I Corinthians 1:22-29



For consider your calling, brethren, that there were not many wise according to the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble; 27 but God has chosen the foolish things of the world to shame the wise

“were all together”

Festival of Weeks, Pentecost
alignment of the Jewish festival

..... with the resurrection of Christ &
giving of the Holy Spirit



Acts 2:1-2

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John 3:6 -8

That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be amazed that I said to you, 'You must be born again.' The wind blows where it wishes and you hear the sound of it, but do not know where it comes from and where it is going; so is everyone who is born of the Spirit."

Acts 2:3

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1 Thessalonians 5:19
"Do not quench the Spirit."



Acts 2: 4

All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit...



Ephesians 5:18-21

And do not get drunk with wine, for that is dissipation, but be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody with your heart to the Lord; always giving thanks for all things in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God, even the Father; and be subject to one another in the fear of Christ.

be a follower of Christ,
filled with the Holy Spirit



II Corinthians 4:7

“But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, so that the surpassing greatness of the power will be of God and not from ourselves;”



Ephesians 1:13-14

In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation—having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise, who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the redemption of God's own possession, to the praise of His glory.

The seal of the King...
a sign of His authority, authenticity,
ownership and protection



Ephesians 4:30-32

“Do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption. Let all bitterness and wrath and anger and clamor and slander be put away from you, along with all malice. Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving each other, just as God in Christ also has forgiven you”

The Holy Spirit gives His church; Truth John
14:16-18

“I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may be with you forever; 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. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you.”

The Holy Spirit gives His church;

Conviction

John 16:8 "convict the world"

Acts 2 :37 "pierced to the heart"



The Holy Spirit gives His church; Christ

Ephesians 4

“building up of the body of Christ”



Acts 2:16-17

...this is what was spoken
by the prophet Joel:

“In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.”

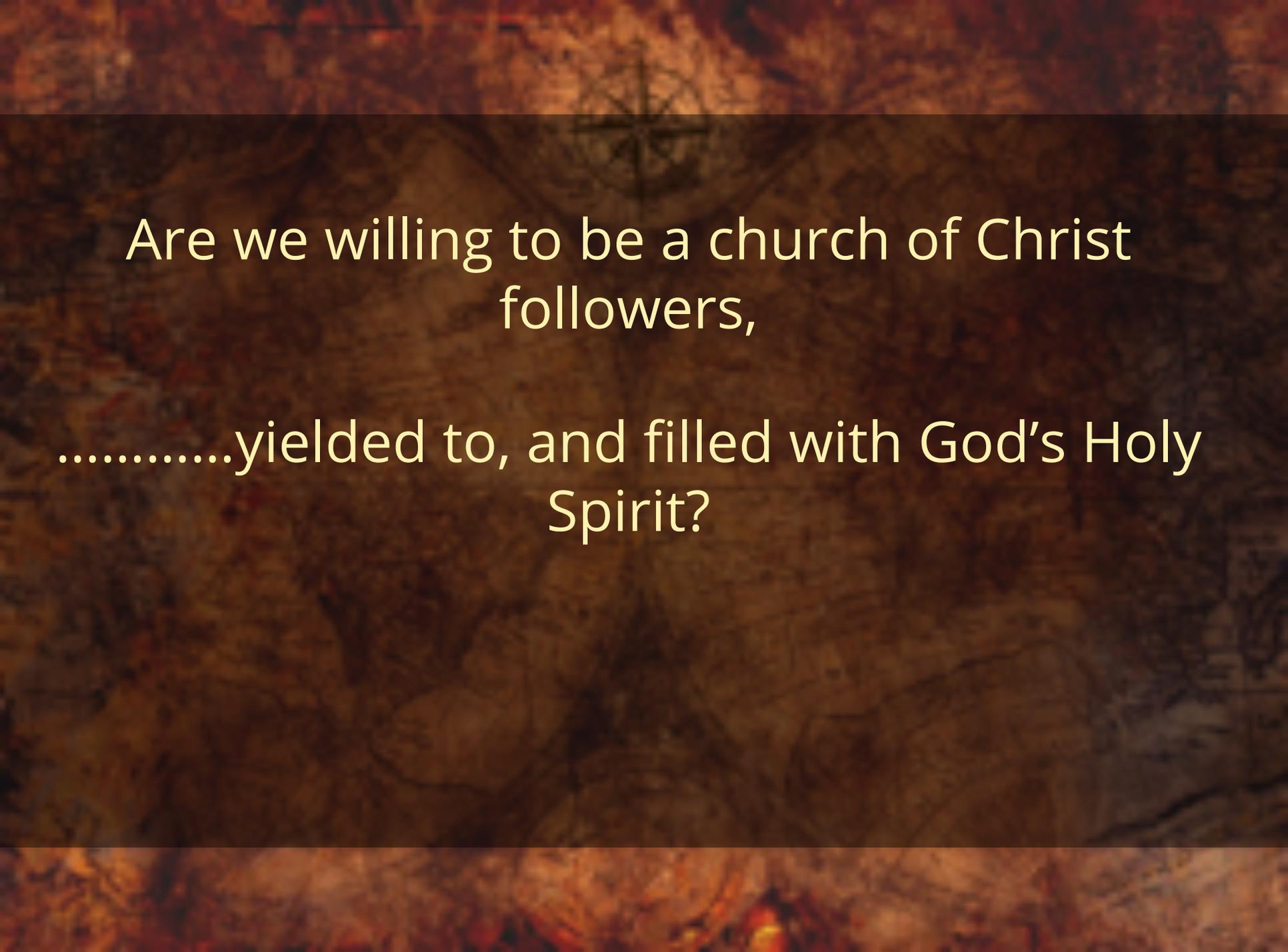
Acts 2:18-19

“Even on my servants, both men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and
they will prophesy.

I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.”

Acts 2:20-21

“The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and
glorious day of the Lord.
And everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be
saved.”



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