

Legacy

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Read Acts 1:1-9; 2:1-15; 37-41.

1. Which is the right way and which is the wrong way to focus on the past?
2. Steve said that we have what we have today is because of the faithfulness and courage of others who have passed on spiritual batons to future generations. We are building on the foundations of many faithful Christians who have served Jesus, through the decades—serving, giving, praying, evangelising. Is this something of which we are personally aware? What might be our challenge here?
3. What was the greatest change in the disciples following Pentecost? Give some examples.
4. What aspects of our early history do you find most fascinating and inspiring? Why is it important to know our “spiritual” roots?
5. On the wall of All Saints Church, Monkwearmouth, Sunderland is an inscription: “September 1907. When the fire of the Lord fell, it burned up the debt.” What might this teach us about spiritual renewal? Has this been your experience too?
6. How would you have reacted if you had been an eye-witness of the miracle of Glyn Thomas? Do we believe that for God all things are possible? Have we become “unbelieving believers?”
7. What do you believe marks out a pentecostal believer? (small ‘p’... I am not speaking about denominations here). What did Steve mean when he said that it is possible to be Pentecostal (capital ‘p’) without being pentecostal (small ‘p’)?
8. In which way is today’s society like the ancient Egyptian society? (see Exod. 1:8). In which ways have we lost sight of the amazing Christian foundations laid by our predecessors?