

“I will pour out My Spirit”

Acts 2:1-21





The Pouring out of God's Spirit and Wisdom

Proverbs 1:20-28, 32-33

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Context?

- God's wisdom is personified as calling to all to listen and do God's will – 1:20-22
- To those who listen God's Spirit would be poured out on them and know His words – 1:23; 1:7
- Consequences:
 - The rebellious would be mocked in their calamity – 1:24-28, 32
 - The obedient would experience blessings security, and lack of fear – 1:33

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Proverbs 1:23 – “I will pour out my spirit”

Meaning?

- Is God saying that if they obeyed and turned He would give them miraculous gifts?
- It is about blessings/wisdom being poured out on the faithful – Ex. 19:5-6; Col. 1:21-23
- We should not be thinking “miracles” here!

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The pouring out of God's Spirit on a Dry and Desert Land

Isaiah 32:9-20

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Context?

- Isaiah 32 – The coming of God’s *new order*
- A **king** will come reigning in righteousness and justice, providing refuge, sustenance, and understanding for the faithful – 32:1-4; 9:7; Rev. 1:6
- Moral distinctions/requirements will be clear – 32:5-8
- Warnings to the complacent – 32:9-14

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Isaiah 32:15 – “The Spirit is poured out upon us”

Meaning?

- Desolation remains until God pours His Spirit out—the time of the Messiah – 32:15-20
 - Wilderness becomes fruitful field and field a forest
 - Justice/righteousness remain in the fruitful field resulting in peace, quiet assurance, and rest
- Is the context talking about God giving them miracles?
 - It is speaking of the time of the Messiah and the blessings of that day!
 - This is what is offered to all today.

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Isaiah 44:1-5

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Context?

- Isaiah 43:19-21 – God will do a “new thing”
 - Build a road in wilderness and bring water to the desert – 43:19
 - Cause praise to be given Him by all things and people who dwell in this wilderness, having given drink to His chosen people—Christians! – 43:20-21; 1 Pet. 2:9
- Despite God’s care and promises, Israel rejected Him, refused to obey, and would be cursed – 43:28

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Isaiah 44:1-5

Context?

- Isaiah 44:
 - Despite the curse, God promises future help – 44:1-2
 - God’s blessings will be poured out—water/streams on thirsty/dry ground—His Spirit on their offspring – 44:3
 - Their offspring will spring to life from all the earth, declaring God’s possession of them – 44:4-5
- This is speaking of us – 1 Pet. 2:10

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Isaiah 44:3 – “I will pour My Spirit upon your offspring”

Meaning?

- Is the context speaking of *miraculous gifts* following this curse?
- No! This speaks of blessings being poured out like rivers suddenly flowing through a desert, flooding a dry and parched land!
- This is what is offered to you today—in this life and eternity—if you pledge allegiance to Christ.
- The *pouring out of the Spirit* is the promise of all that God would do through the Messiah, the “new thing,” for those who give their heart to Him!

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