

Week 3

RE Lesson 1 and 2

Lesson 1

New RE Topic

Our new RE topic is called 'New Life'.
On the next slide are the key words for our new topic.

Key words

- Pentecost
- Holy Spirit
- Resurrection
- Fellowship

As you would in class, you must type, in your weekly word document, each word and what they mean.

If you do not know what one of the words means then type the word but not the definition.

Read Cameron's story

Cameron had just had a birthday. His parents had given him what he really wanted, a remote controlled stunt monster car. He was really thrilled and had spent the weekend learning how to use it and doing lots of stunt manoeuvres.

He took it to bed with him and looked at it sitting on his window sill, sparkling in the light from the street.

Monday morning arrived and his Mum reminded him that he had to leave his stunt monster at home and not take it to school. Cameron nodded,

hoping his mum would not notice the large shape in his school bag.

When he got to school he told all his friends about his present. He knew he could not show them in school, so suggested that they walk home through the park so he could demo his monster.

The other boys watched as Cameron made his stunt monster do incredible things and go really fast.

Someone was watching this, an older boy called Gary. Slowly

he got nearer and no one noticed him until he ran over snatched the monster and ran off with it.

Cameron felt sick. What could he do? It was no good running after Gary. He would never catch him. And his friends all went off to their homes.

Mum commented that he was a bit late, but Cameron just muttered something, and went to his room. Mum shouted up that if he got on and did his homework now, he would have time to play with his monster after tea. That made Cameron feel even worse.

His Dad thought Cameron looked sick, and thought he had better go to bed rather than play with his monster. Cameron agreed.

Next morning he was still feeling rotten. He knew his parents had saved for his present and his Dad was as excited as Cameron with it.

He knew he had been really stupid – not to mention disobedient. All day in school, he was quiet. His friends were sympathetic, but he felt lifeless.

Another day went on like that.

He heard his mum and Dad talking about him, wondering what was wrong with him. He looked unwell and he didn't even want to play with his monster. They wondered if they should take him to the doctor.

His elder sister, Danielle, came into to his bedroom and asked him what was wrong and she asked him where his monster was.

At first he said nothing was wrong, but his sister had a kind way of talking to him, and eventually he told her his sad story and how awful he had felt

about it, especially because his parents had been so generous and he had let them down.

Next evening, after another miserable day, when he got home he went straight up to his room and there to his surprise was his monster sitting on his bed. He picked it up and hugged it. Tears of joy ran down his cheeks. He quickly brushed them away. He felt like a new person. He called his sister to tell her and ask her what had happened.

Danielle smiled, and told him she knew Gary's mum and had

been round to his house. Gary's Mum gave her the monster and told her she wondered where Gary had got it from and that it was useless to him as he didn't have the radio to make it work. Gary was going to be in trouble when he got home.

Cameron was jumping up and down and was so excited that his Mum came up to see what was wrong. She said she was glad to see him looking happy and alive again. He told her the story and said he was very sorry. She said she thought he was fortunate to have such a good sister and he had learnt an important lesson.

Think about these questions

- How did Cameron react to something really bad happening?
- Why was Cameron upset about how his parents would feel? (Note he was not worried about being punished, although he knew he deserved it.)
- What do you do when life is difficult?
- What good news changed the way you felt and what you did?
- How was Cameron rescued and what effect did it have on him?
- What effect did it have on the people who knew Cameron?
- What lesson do you think he learnt?

Task- This does not need to be typed onto your weekly document.

Discussion task:

What good news have you received in your life? Why was it good? How did it make you feel?

Ask your family what good news they have received. Why was it good? How did it make them feel?

Lesson 2

RE- Lesson 2

- Pentecost is a Greek word meaning 'the fiftieth Day'. At this feast the Jewish people celebrate Shavuot, the Festival of Weeks. It celebrates the giving of the Torah, that is the first five books of the Bible, at Mount Sinai. In Jesus' day it would have been a time when there were a lot of people in Jerusalem. This was the time of year when the Holy Spirit came upon the apostles and Mary.

Acts 2

- ◉ Read the scripture on the next few slides about the coming of the Holy Spirit.

When the day of Pentecost came, all the believers were gathered together in one place.

Suddenly there was a noise from the sky which sounded like a strong wind blowing, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting.

Then they saw what looked like tongues of fire which spread out and touched each person there.

They were all filled with the holy spirit and began to talk in other languages, as the spirit enabled them to speak.

There were Jews living in Jerusalem, religious people who had come from every country in the world.

When they heard this noise, a large crowd gathered.

They were all excited, because all of them heard the believers talking in their own languages.

In amazement and wonder they exclaimed, 'These people who are talking like this are Galileans! How is it, then, that all of us hear them speaking in our own native languages?'

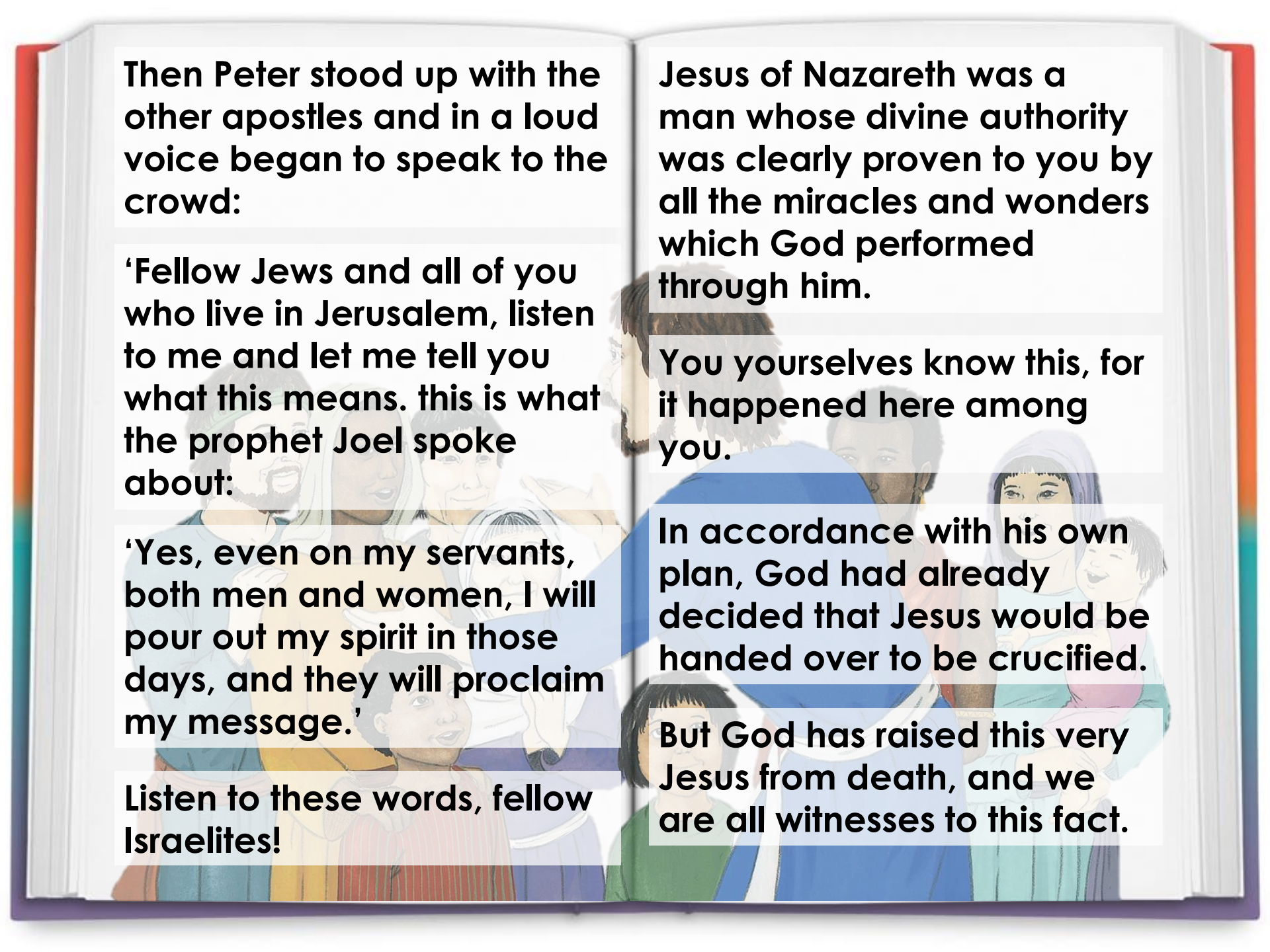
We are from Parthia, Media, and Elam; from Mesopotamia, Judea, and Cappadocia; from Pontus and Asia; from Phrygia and Pamphylia, from Egypt and the regions of Libya near Cyrene.

Some of us are from Rome, both Jews and Gentiles converted to Judaism, and some of us are from Crete and Arabia

Yet all of us hear them speaking in our own languages about the great things that God has done!



**Based on Acts 2
(Come and See)**



Then Peter stood up with the other apostles and in a loud voice began to speak to the crowd:

‘Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, listen to me and let me tell you what this means. This is what the prophet Joel spoke about:

‘Yes, even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my spirit in those days, and they will proclaim my message.’

Listen to these words, fellow Israelites!

Jesus of Nazareth was a man whose divine authority was clearly proven to you by all the miracles and wonders which God performed through him.

You yourselves know this, for it happened here among you.

In accordance with his own plan, God had already decided that Jesus would be handed over to be crucified.

But God has raised this very Jesus from death, and we are all witnesses to this fact.

All the people of Israel, then, are to know for sure that this Jesus, whom you crucified, is the one that God has made lord and messiah!

When the people heard this, they were deeply troubled and said to Peter and the other apostles, 'What shall we do, brothers?'

Peter said to them, 'Each one of you must turn away from your sins and be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ, so that your sins will be forgiven; and you will receive God's gift, the holy spirit.'

For God's promise was made to you and your children, and to all who are far away - all whom the Lord our God calls to himself'.

Many of them believed his message and were baptised, and about three thousand people were added to the group that day.

They spent their time in learning from the apostles, taking part in the fellowship, and sharing in the fellowship meals and the prayers.

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Think about these questions

- What happened to the friends of Jesus?
- How would this help people to spread the Good News?
- What reaction did the people have who heard Peter speak?
- What effect did it have on their lives?
- How would you have felt on hearing Peter's message?
- How does the power of the Holy Spirit change people's lives?
- How could you be bearers of Good News in school or at home?

Your task- type/scan onto your weekly word document

Illustrate or record in your own way (e.g. diary entry, article, paragraph) what the passage tells us about the power of the Holy Spirit in the lives of the apostles at Pentecost.

Remember to self assess next to the date.