

<sup>2,1</sup> When the fiftieth day after Passover was fulfilled, they were all together at the same location. <sup>2</sup> Suddenly, an uproar from heaven happened, bringing a forceful Breath that filled the whole house they were sitting in. <sup>3</sup> Tongues, like dividing fire, were seen by them and sat upon each one of them. <sup>4</sup> They were all filled with the Divine Breath and they began to speak in other tongues, which the Breath was giving them to articulate. <sup>5</sup> Attentive Judeans from all the nations under heaven were dwelling in Jerusalem <sup>6</sup> and, when this voice came, a multitude came together and they were stirred up because they began hearing each one speaking their own dialect. <sup>7</sup> They began being beside themselves and marveling, saying,

“Look! Are not all these, who are speaking, from Galilee? <sup>8</sup> How are we each listening to our own dialect with which we were born? <sup>9</sup> Parthians, Medes, Elamites, those dwelling in the province of Mesopotamia, the province of Iudaea, the province of Cappadocia, the province of Pontus, the province of Asia, <sup>10</sup> the province of Phrygia, the province of Pamphylia, the province of Egypt, and the parts of Libya along the province of Cyrene, and those being part of the Roman public, <sup>11</sup> Judeans, converts, Cretans, and Arabs—we are all listening to them speaking with our own tongues about the great things of the Creator!”

<sup>12</sup> All were beside themselves and were thoroughly confused, saying to one another,

“What is causing this to happen?”

<sup>13</sup> Scoffing, others began saying,

“They are full of sweet wine!”

<sup>14</sup> Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and articulated to them,

“Men of Judea and all those dwelling in Jerusalem, let this be known to you! Receive my words into your ears! <sup>15</sup> These here are not drunk as you are taking them to be—it is nine in the morning! <sup>16</sup> But this here is what has been spoken through the prophet Joel,

<sup>17</sup> ‘During the last days, says the Creator, I will pour out my Breath upon all creatures! Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, and your elders will dream dreams. <sup>18</sup> Especially during those days I will pour out my Breath upon my male and female slaves and they will prophesy. <sup>19</sup> I will give wonders in heaven above and signs upon the earth below—blood, fire, and smoke vapor. <sup>20</sup> The sun will be turned into darkness and the moon into blood at the coming of the great and illustrious Day of the Lord. <sup>21</sup> It will be that everything which calls upon the name of the Lord will be rescued!’

<sup>22</sup> Men, Israelites, listen to these words! You yourselves have known Jesus of Nazareth, a man shown by the Creator to you with powers, wonders, and signs, which the Creator did through him in your midst. <sup>23</sup> Having been determined to be given over by the desire and the foreknowledge of the Creator, you executed and nailed down this Jesus through the hand of Torah-breakers! <sup>24</sup> But death was not powerful enough to restrain Jesus and the Creator made him stand up, releasing the birth pains of death! <sup>25</sup> For David says for him,

‘I was determined to have the Lord in my sight through everything because he is at my right hand so I will not be overthrown. <sup>26</sup> Because of this, my heart celebrated and my tongue rejoiced! My flesh will settle again upon hope <sup>27</sup> because you will not abandon my life in the realm of the dead and you will not allow your holy one to experience decay. <sup>28</sup> You made known to me the ways of life and you will fill me with the well-being of your face.’

<sup>29</sup> Men, brothers, it is appropriate to say with confidence that the patriarch David came to an end and was buried—even his tomb is among us to this day. <sup>30</sup> Therefore, possessing the position of prophet and discerning that the Creator swore an oath that the fruit of his waist would sit upon his throne, <sup>31</sup> David

spoke, foreseeing the resurrection of the Anointed—that he would not be abandoned to the realm of the dead and that his flesh would not experience decay. <sup>32</sup> The Creator made this Jesus stand up! Of this we are all testimonies! <sup>33</sup> Being lifted up to the right of the Creator and receiving the commitment of the Divine Breath from the Father, Jesus poured out this Divine Breath, which you are seeing and listening to! <sup>34</sup> David did not go up into the heavens, but he himself says,

‘The Lord said to my Lord, sit at my right <sup>35</sup> till I put your enemies as a footstool under your feet.’

<sup>36</sup> Therefore, let all Israel securely know that the Creator made this Jesus, whom you crucified, Lord and Anointed!”

<sup>37</sup> Listening, they were pierced in the heart and said to Peter and the rest of the representatives,

“Men, brothers, what must we do?”

<sup>38</sup> Peter said to them,

“Each of you, transform and, on the basis of the name of Jesus, the Anointed, be baptized for freedom from your rebellions! Then you will receive the gift of the Divine Breath! <sup>39</sup> For the commitment is for you, your children, and for all those far away, as many as the Lord our Creator has called!”

<sup>40</sup> With many other words Peter was a testimony and began exhorting them, saying,

“Be rescued from this crooked generation!”

<sup>41</sup> Therefore, those who were welcoming his word were baptized and about three thousand lives were added on that day.

<sup>42</sup> They began being steadfast to the teaching of the representatives, to a common-life, to the breaking of bread, and to prayer. <sup>43</sup> Everyone became afraid, as many wonders and signs were happening through the representatives. <sup>44</sup> All those who were trustful began being about the same thing and were holding everything in common. <sup>45</sup> They were selling property and possessions and were dividing them to all, as any was having need.

<sup>46</sup> Daily they were being communally steadfast in the temple-complex and, breaking bread in a house, they were sharing food with gladness and simplicity of heart. <sup>47</sup> While daily praising the Creator and being generous to all people, the Lord added to them those being rescued.