

Sermon Outline November 14, 2021 Pastor Bryan Myers

The Church

Joel 2 & Acts 2

The Big Question: How does God so accurately predict the future? That's easy. It's because He's already

Revelation 1:8 - "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty."

* God is not bound by ______ or space.

* Prophecy demonstrates God's _____.

He knows what the future holds.

* Prophecy validates God's ______.

He has the power to make it happen.

2 Peter 1:20-21 - Above all, you must understand that no prophecy of Scripture came about by the prophet's own interpretation of things. For prophecy never had its origin in the human will, but prophets, though human, spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

* The litmus test for a prophet of God: ______accuracy.

Deuteronomy 18:22a - If what a prophet proclaims in the name of the Lord does not take place or come true, that is a message the Lord has not spoken.

* A word of caution: Prophecy is best identified ______ the fact.

Luke 24:8 - Then they remembered His words.

Foretold in Joel 2 – Fulfilled in Acts 2:

God initiates, activates and empowers the Church.

* The _____

Luke 24:49 – "I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

* The _____

Acts 2:6 - When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken.

* The _____

Acts 2:16-17 - No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: "In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people."

Acts 2:38-39 - Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call."

Pentecost 2.0 – Acts 10

* The _____

Acts 2:46a – Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts.

* Faith is designed to be personal but not ______.

Acts 2:42 – They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.

* Christ's prophecy concerning the church:

Matthew 16:18b - ...I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.

* We might lose some battles, but the war has already been _____.