The Importance of Pentecost

Acts 1 & 2

Acts 2:1-4

"When the day of Pentecost had fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven, as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled the whole house where they were sitting. Then there appeared to them divided tongues, as of fire, and one sat on each of them. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance."

Pentecost

The Jewish celebration of Shavuot - the Feast of Weeks when the first fruits of the grain harvest are dedicated to the Lord.

Leviticus 23:15

Pentecost means "fiftieth" 50 days after Passover

The PLACE - Acts 1:4

 Jerusalem - a place of extreme biblical importance and significance both then and now.

The PLAN - Acts 1 & 2

- "When the Day of Pentecost had fully come..."
- Feast of Weeks celebrated HARVEST!
- God's threshing floor for the HARVEST!

The PEOPLE - Acts 2

- "...they were all with one accord..."
- Followers of Jesus
- Friends of Jesus
- Faithful to Jesus

The PEOPLE - Acts 2

- People of SURRENDER
- People of SUPPLICATION
- People of SCRIPTURE
- People of SIGNIFICANCE

The PURPOSE

- Twofold
- 1. Prepare us for MINISTRY
 -John 14 & 16 -Acts 1:2
- 2. Empower us for Ministry
 Matt. 28:19,20 Acts 1:8