

## **SOMETHING HAPPENED**

Acts 2:14

This verse shows us that Peter and the 11 were willing to stand for God in spite of the danger. What has happened to these men? They are certainly different from what they used to be.

### THEY HAD BEEN ASLEEP

Mt 26:40 And he cometh unto the disciples, and findeth them asleep, and saith unto Peter, What, could ye not watch with me one hour?

Jesus was going through the worse battle he had faced while on earth. The devil was attacking him with all of his might. And, these disciples slept through it.

It's the same today. The devil is fighting with all he has and the church is asleep. They don't even recognize the severity of the battle

### THEY HAD BEEN ARGUING

Mk 9:34 .....they had disputed among themselves, who *should be* the greatest.

There is so much division in the average church of today, it's no wonder we have no power.

### THEY HAD BEEN ASTONISHED

Mk 4:41 ....What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?

Jesus calmed the storm and it surprised the disciples. They had seen him do the miraculous before. They should have known he could do the impossible.

The average Christian has so little faith, we are surprised when the Lord answers our prayer.

### THEY HAD BEEN AFRAID

Jn 20:19 Then the same day at evening, being the first *day* of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews

They didn't trust him. He had told them he was going to rise again, but they didn't believe it.

SO WHAT HAPPENED? WHY ARE THESE MEN SO DIFFERENT ?

### 1. **IT WAS SOMETHING THAT WAS UNDENIABLE**

These verses show us men who are totally different. The difference is so obvious, there is no way to deny....something has happened to them.

Ac 2:43 And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders and signs were done by the apostles.

They were doing things that couldn't be done.

Ac 5:41-42 And they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for his name. And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ.

They were persecuted and rejoicing about it.

Ac 8:1 And Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judaea and Samaria, except the apostles.

The persecution sent many fleeing for their lives but the disciples didn't run.

Ac 8:4 Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word.

Those who left because of the persecution, didn't go and hide out somewhere. They went preaching the Word.

Ac 17:6 ...These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also;

2. **IT WAS SOMETHING THAT WAS UNUSUAL** 2:1

This happened on Pe

3. **IT WAS SOMETHING THAT WAS UNEXPECTED**

Lk 24:49 And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

UNDENIABLE / UNUSUAL / UNEXPECTED

“go wait” / no idea / trying to deal / had happened  
not expecting anything / mighty wind / lightning bolt  
wasn't of man / planned / arranged / scheduled  
work / movement of God / some of best things  
may the Lord >>

4. **IT WAS SOMETHING THAT WAS UNIFYING**

Ac 2:42 And they continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, and in breaking of bread, and in prayers.

united them / little differences / didn't matter  
Spirit unifies  
never get much / net with holes / same family / body

5. **IT WAS SOMETHING THAT WAS UPSETTING**

Ac 8:1 .... at that time there was a great persecution against the church ....

devil got mad / people got mad  
don't expect everyone / be thrilled  
not everyone loves / God moves / thrilled / someone gets saved  
devil loves it / daughter sells herself / dies of OD / joins a gang  
just as happy / even more so / nothing happens at church  
stay so busy / no time for God / his goal / sleep / satisfied / sin+ / selfish  
if God / expect trouble / battle  
if he did / he can / can move / change / work  
difference  
were willing / surrendered / “here am I”