



Is This It Study Verse: Acts 2:14-21

Acts 2:14-21 Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: “Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning! 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. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams. Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy. I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke. The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord. And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.’”

My Thoughts: Today as I prayed for guidance, I flipped to this chapter and then that chapter. I read in my personal Devotional Book. I asked the Lord what he needed me to do for Him. This came to my memory, “Is this it?”, I asked God this very question many years ago. I was attending this precious church and I love the people, had great respect for the Pastor, BUT... There is always a but... I still felt empty. I was faithful, I was serving when asked with VBS, Choir, whatever was needed I stepped up to help. BUT.. I felt empty. So I asked God one day; IS THIS IT? Is this all there is for me until you come to get me? I thought there would be more? I believe your word, I believe in John 3:16. Why do I not feel you like the day I accepted you into my heart? Is this it God? Really? (Yeah, I asked REALLY) Then I waited and prayed. TV programs I would skip over would catch my eye, I began to hear the words the preachers were speaking differently, I would question things that I saw or heard on

the Christian TV programs, if it was real. God would lead me to a book that I could not put down (let me be clear, I hate to read, I wait for the movie). Each time something like this would happen, I would ask in my prayer time, Is this real? God led me to the Book of Acts, (HIS word). I have always struggled reading the Bible, but not this time, it was like a movie as I read. Now.. the point to this long story. I asked God to show me, as I prayed and waited I physically felt a presence near me, as if someone placed a warm blanket over my shoulders and settled beside me. I began to weep so hard with an overwhelming sense of Love, Peace, Joy, Comfort, Gratitude, Acceptance. Honestly, the words just can't describe the presence of God. Just remembering that moment, I weep. God allowed me to experience what I asked, He taught me His word as I needed to understand. I sought to know the truth, not MAN'S understanding and opinion. I am just a child of God that still asks Him questions (I have asked why shortly after my first word as a toddler, so I am told). It is okay to ask God questions, even WHY. Lesson for today: God is real, He hears your prayers, BUT... yes there is always a but... YOU MUST OPEN YOUR HEART, MIND, and SPIRIT to Him. Do not expect Him to become your imagination of the answer you seek. He speaks softly, He stirs in your know so place (spirit) gently, He quietly settles beside you. If you rush or busy your thoughts with expectations of how, you most likely are missing Him already. Keep your thoughts quiet and simple, breathe and hush your mind. YES.. there is more than your current stage of life. IF you have never accepted Jesus into your heart, then its more difficult to understand. Believing John 3:16 is the first step. 2. Begin your relationship with God, a new friend, talk with him, spend time with Him. 3. ASK Him questions. I hope my experience will help you find your path to your experience and relationship with God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. They are the best friends you will ever have.

Until next time, May God bless, heal, protect and grow in you daily. Everyone say, AMEN