Origin of the church 3

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Introduction

- 1. Acts 2:1-4
- 2. We have studied from the Old Testament prophecies of the kingdom
- 3. We have also studied from the New Testament prophecies of the kingdom
- 4. This evening we wish to show that these prophecies were all fulfilled.

II Discussion

- 1. The church and the kingdom are the same institution
 - a. 2 Samuel 7 David is promised a kingdom for ever
 - b. Daniel was told of a kingdom Daniel 2
 - c. Matthew 16:13-19 Jesus talk of the kingdom and the church being the same.
 - d. The kingdom and the church being the same institution began at the same time.
- 2. It began during the last days Isaiah 2:2; Joel 2:28; Micah 4:1 Acts 2:16-17
- 3. The church/kingdom began in Jerusalem Isaiah 2:2; Joel 2:28; Luke 24:49; Acts 1:12; 2:5
- 4. They were preaching the Law of Christ Isaiah 2:3; Galatians 6:2
- 5. Since it was the church/kingdom it is also the Lord's house 1 Timothy 3:15
- 6. The Holy Ghost was also given Joel 2:28; Acts 2:16ff
 - a. This was a promise from the Father Luke 24:49
 - b. It is also called a baptism Acts 1:5
 - c. Peter declared both Acts 2:33
 - d. When the power came the Holy Ghost came the kingdom began Mark 9:1; Luke 24:49; Acts 1:5, 8; 2:1-4; 16; 33
- 7. It was during the days of the 4th world kingdom of Daniel 2
 - a. Jesus was born during the reign of Tiberius Caesar Luke 3:1
 - b. There was a dearth in the days of Claudius Caesar Acts 11:28
 - c. The power came and the Holy Ghost came between these two time Acts 2
- 8. The Son of Man went back to the Ancient of Day Daniel 7; Acts 1:10-11; 2:32-33
- 9. The "whosoever shall call upon the Lord" is fulfilled Joel 2; Acts 2:21; Romans 10:13
- 10. Peter and the apostles are using the keys given Matthew 16:18-19; 18:18; Acts 2:14
- 11. Therefore:
 - a. The kingdom was established
 - b. The prayer of Christ answered Matthew 6:10
 - c. Those alive did see the kingdom established Mark 9:1; Matthew 16:28
 - d. The preaching was according to what Christ declared Acts 2:38; 47

III Conclusion

- 1. There can be no other conclusion drawn but that the kingdom/church was established
- 2. Any other church that began in any other was is not the church of the New Testament!
- 3. If you are a member of one of those churches then come out from among them and be saved God's way
- 4. If you have left the church then come back, the arms of God are waiting for your return.

Source: Sermons preached the last two weeks; the Hub of the Bible by James Bales is a faith building book that needs to be read by all members

Next week the different metaphors that describe the church