

Pentecost

The First Pentecost

(Acts, chapter 2, verses 1 -4)

After Jesus died he rose again and appeared to the disciples. He said that they would receive power when the Holy Spirit comes. Then they must witness throughout the world. When he had been among them for 40 days he was lifted up to heaven on a cloud.

A bit later the day of Pentecost came. They were all together. They heard a noise from the sky like a very strong wind. They saw tongues of fire which spread out and touched each person there. They were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to talk in other languages.

These passages help us understand that to be a disciple of Jesus, we must serve other people, tell them about the love of God and that the Holy Spirit will give us strength to do that.

Answer these questions in full sentences.

1. Describe what happened on the day of the Pentecost.

2. The wind and tongues of fire were symbols of the Holy Spirit. Why would the disciples need the strength of the Holy Spirit?
