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**Acts 2:4-13**

*Tongues: Human or Heavenly Language?*

Intro

**A. HISTORY OF THE PENTECOSTAL MOVEMENT.**

1. The theological roots.

2. First Wave (1906-1960).

3. Second Wave (1960-1982).

4. The Third Wave (1982 - Present).

**B. DIFFERENT VIEWS ON THE GIFT OF TONGUES.**

1. Both Acts 2 and 1 Cor. 12-14 are known human languages.

*Definition - the gift of tongues is the supernatural ability given by the Holy Spirit to instantly speak in another human language not previously learned in order to become witnesses of Christ.*

2. Acts 2 are human languages but 1 Corinthians are heavenly “tongues of angels”.

3. Both Acts 2 and 1 Cor. 12-14 deal with heavenly language, the tongues of angels.

**C. TONGUES IN THE BOOK OF ACTS.**

1. Acts 2

a. “other tongues” (Acts 2:4).

b. the word for “tongues/*glossa*” (Acts 2:4).

c. Miracle of speaking not hearing (Acts 6, 11).

d. the word for “utterance” (Acts 2:4).

e. the word for “language/*dialektos*” (Acts 2:6).

2. Acts 10:44-48.

a. Cornelius and those with him spoke in tongues (Acts 10:46).

b. Peter’s testimony (Acts 10:47).

c. Peter later explaining of this event (Acts 11:15, 17).

3. Acts 19:6. Luke uses the same words as in Acts 2.

**D. TONGUES IN 1 COR. 12-14.**

1. “tongues of angels” - 1 Cor. 13:1.

2. “the interpretation of tongues” - (1 Cor. 12:10; 14:26).

3. 1 Cor. 14:21, “strange/other tongues” - exact same words as in Acts 2:4.

**E. OTHER CONCERNS ABOUT MODERN DAY TONGUES.**

1. The evaluation by linguistics.

2. The pagan practice of speaking in tongues.

3. Can the gift of the “interpretation of tongues” be trusted?

CONCLUSION -