**THIS IS THAT!**

*49 for the Mighty One has done great things for me-- holy is his name. 50 His mercy extends to those who fear him, from generation to generation. 51 He has performed mighty deeds with his arm; he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts. 52 He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble. 53 He has filled the hungry with good things but has sent the rich away empty. 54 He has helped his servant Israel, remembering to be merciful*

Luke 1:49-54

I. Five men rebuilt Judah after Exile.

A. Nehemiah - rebuilt the walls and gates of the city

B. Zechariah - prophesied and encouraged the people.

C. Haggai - rebuilt the temple.

D. Ezra - taught the word of God.

E. Joel - preached repentance before power.

II. This is that/The power of naming the moment/Joel alone explains Pentecost.

A. What Moses wished for (Numbers 11:29)

*29 But Moses replied, “Are you jealous for my sake? I wish that all the LORD’s people were prophets and that the LORD would put his Spirit on them!”*

B. Joel predicted (Joel 2:28,29)

*28 “And afterward, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your old men will dream dreams, your young men will see visions. 29 Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days.*

C. And Peter explained (Acts 2:13-16)

*13 Some, however, made fun of them and said, “They have had too much wine.” 14 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. 15 These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It’s only nine in the morning! 16 No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:*

III. Three evidences the Holy Spirit is doing a catastrophic work.

A. There is a reversal of the natural order of things.

B. There is a universalizing of what had been particular.

C. There is salvation to the uttermost.

D. All three represent a dislodging of prideful control and hope for the humble. (Proverbs 15:25; 2 Samuel 22:28)

[Pro 15:25 NASB] *25 The LORD will tear down the house of the proud, But He will establish the boundary of the widow.*

[2 Sam 22:28 AMP] *28 “And You save the afflicted people; But Your eyes are on the haughty whom You abase (humiliate).*