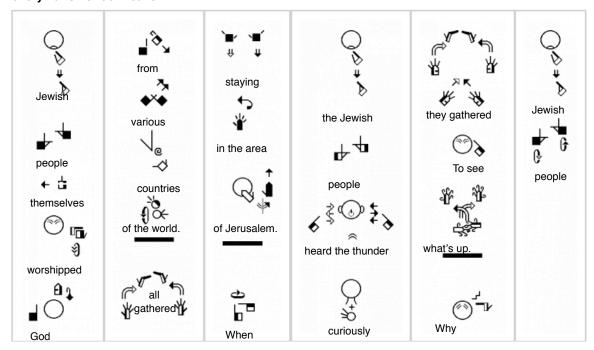
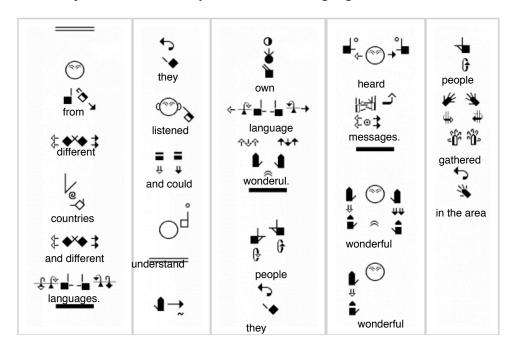


Acts 2:5 And there were dwelling at Jerusalem Jews, devout (cautious, prudent, circumspect) men, out of every nation under heaven.



## 6 Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude came together, and were confounded, because that every man heard them speak in his own language

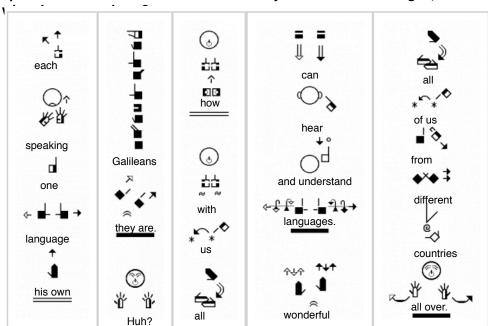


Imagine hearing people suddenly signing ASL; imagine Deaf people speaking foreign languages clearly. People have had always to learn a language.

"How?" is the logical question. New wine (sweet wine) was their mocking explanation.

"A gawker" convention developed. God used this miracle not only to empower His people but to gather the "devout" to hear the gospel. Three thousand people were baptized in one day. (Ex. 32:28, Jos. 7:3, Jud. 15:11, 16:27, 1 Kg. 4:32, 1 Sa. 24:2) David gave 3,000 talents of gold to build the first temple. 1 Ch. 29:2)

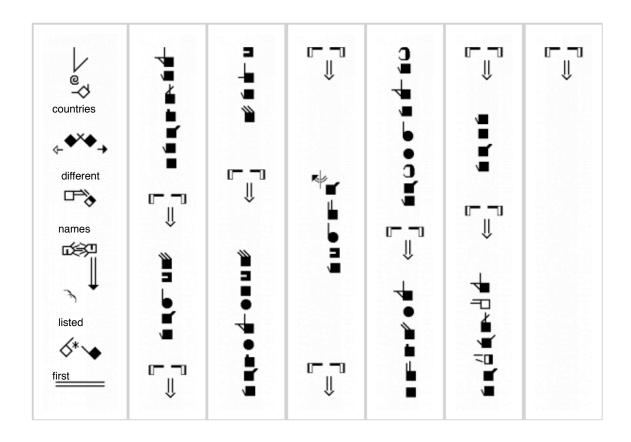
7 And they were all amazed and marvelled, saying one to another, Behold, are not all these which speak Galilaeans? 8 And how hear we every man in our own tongue,



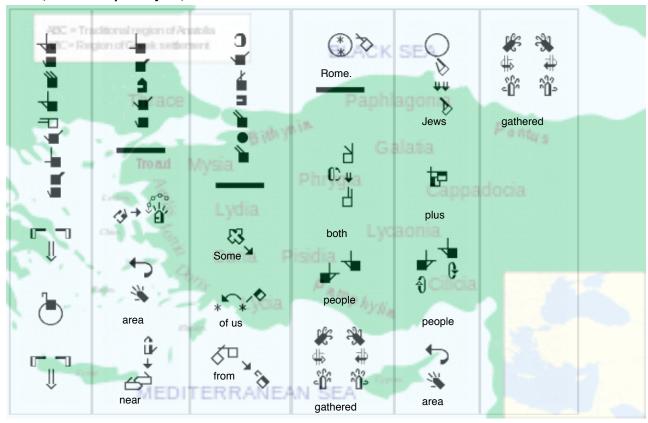
Galilaeans (N. Israel) were considered ignorant people. (John 7:52) No one is questioning their languages skills but how these skills were acquired?

Luke records the great varieties of languages heard: Parthia (Iran, Iraq), Medes (S Parthia), Elamites (S.E. Parthia), Mesopotamia (land between the rivers). Judaea, Cappadocia (Turkey), Pontus (N.E. Turkey), Asia (Turkey), Phrygia (Central Turkey), and Pamphylia S.Turkey), Egypt, Libya, Cyrene (E. Libya), Rome, Jews and proselytes, Cretes, and Arabians.

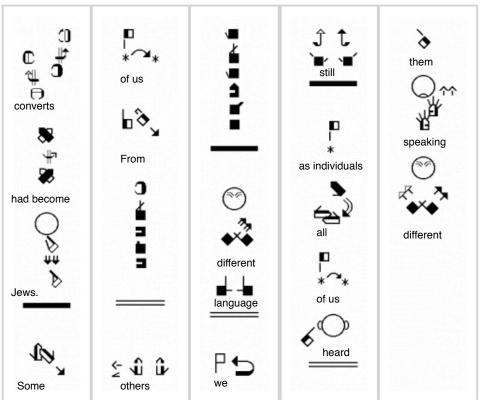
9 Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judaea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia,



# 10 Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes,



## 11 Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

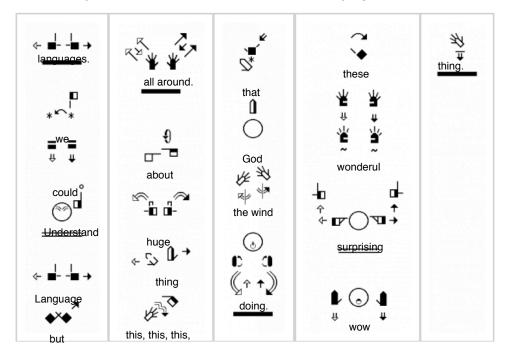


These men and women were no just "jabbering" but speaking great truths, and worshipping God. The languages, the context of what they were saying, the location, and occasion, could not be easily explained.

If it were Satan, why were they glorifying God? If they were drunk, where did they get sweet wine during that season of the year? How could drunks speak another language so clearly. Usually drunks have trouble speaking their own language.

The resurrection was witnessed by over 500 people, but this was witnessed by hundred of people from all over the world.

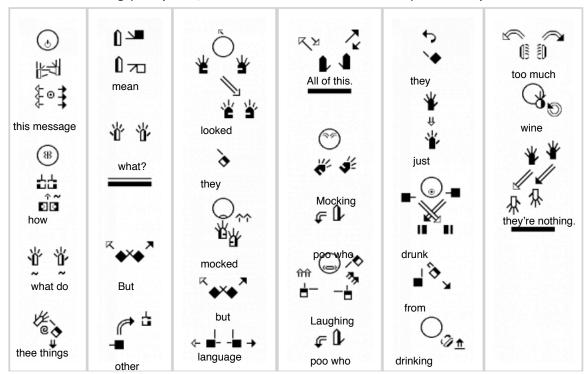
### 12 And they were all amazed, and were in doubt, saying one to another, What meaneth this?



"in doubt," they were without a theological explanation. This was a totally new phenomena. Moses did miracles and they had a meaning. Elijah did miracles and they had a meaning. But this miracles was very different than anything that had happened before. The wind, the sound, the tongues of fire, could be understood, but the languages, why all the languages?

Even in modern times religious people resist or are reluctant to allow God to till them with the Holy Spirit to the point of ecstasy. (2 Sa. 6:14)

### 13 Others mocking (cavil) said, These men are full of new wine. (Pr. 1:24-26)



And even the apparent drunkenness was impossible to explain. Happiness compared with what worldly people celebrate. A person having the positive effects of alcohol without the negative? (Ephesians 5:18)