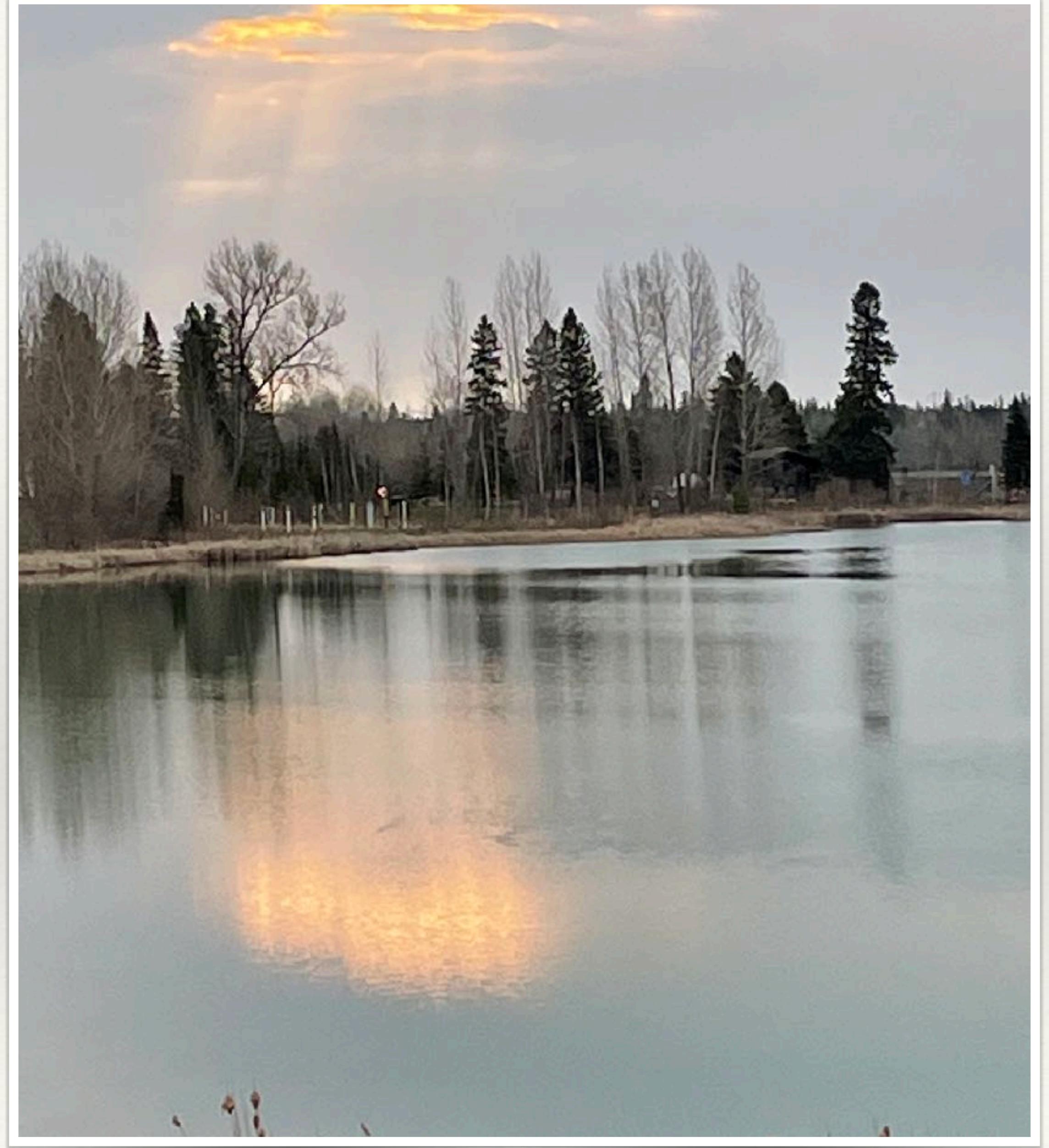


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Declaring the Wonders of God

Acts 2:1-21











Preparation is vital for participation.





The presence of God is
a powerful experience.



Acts 2:1-4 NLT

On the day of Pentecost all the believers were meeting together in one place. Suddenly, there was a sound from heaven like the roaring of a mighty windstorm, and it filled the house where they were sitting. Then, what looked like flames or tongues of fire appeared and settled on each of them. And everyone present was filled with the Holy Spirit and began speaking in other languages, as the Holy Spirit gave them this ability.

Ephesians 3:16-21 NIV

I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge— that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.



Amos 4:13 NLT

***For the LORD is the one who shaped the mountains,
stirs up the winds, and reveals his thoughts to mankind.***



Psalm 104:3-4 NLT

***You make the clouds your chariot;
you ride upon the wings of the wind.
The winds are your messengers;
flames of fire are your servants.***





People are drawn by the presence of God.



Acts 2:5-13 NIV

Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. Utterly amazed, they asked: “Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language?

Parthians, Medes and Elamites; residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya near Cyrene; visitors from Rome (both Jews and converts to Judaism); Cretans and Arabs—we hear them declaring the wonders of God in our own tongues!” Amazed and perplexed, they asked one another, “What does this mean? Some, however, made fun of them and said, “They have had too much wine.”





God keeps His promise
to his people.



Acts 2:14-21 NIV

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. These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel:

*“In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.*

*Even on my servants, both men and women,
I will pour out my Spirit in those days,
and they will prophesy.*

*I will show wonders in the heavens above
and signs on the earth below,
blood and fire and billows of smoke.*

*The sun will be turned to darkness
and the moon to blood
before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.*

*And everyone who calls
on the name of the Lord will be saved.’*

Joel



The Day of the Lord



There is an important point for us.

- we *hear them declaring the wonders of God....*



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