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2. What happened at Pentecost? It has been called the 'Birthday of the Church'. How appropriate is that name? What difference did Pentecost make to the followers of Jesus?
3. Talk to each other about times when you have felt the presence of the Holy Spirit. How almost-physical was that? Why not make a list of the different examples members of the group share, so that you may keep it and be encouraged?
4. What does it mean to 'prophecy'? Discuss why Ferndown needs it as Jerusalem did all those years ago.
5. Another list you might make, as a Group or individually, is a list the different things you might promise to do, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to share the Good News of Jesus. Consider the words of Joel which Peter quoted: did Joel or Peter suggest any 'cop-outs'?

In your concluding prayer time, give thanks for the Holy Spirit, and pray that He may come upon us as individuals and as a church in power as He did at Pentecost. Pray that He will give us the Gifts we need to speak out the Good News of Jesus to those around us.

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