

# G O S P E L

A reading from the Gospel of John 20:19-23  
On the evening of that first day of the week,  
when the doors were locked, where the disciples were,  
for fear of the Jews,

Jesus came and stood in their midst  
and said to them, "Peace be with you."

When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side.

The disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you.

As the Father has sent me, so I send you."

And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them,  
"Receive the Holy Spirit.

Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them,  
and whose sins you retain are retained."

**The Gospel of the Lord.**



*Why were the disciples afraid of the Jews?*



*What do you think happens to the disciples next?*

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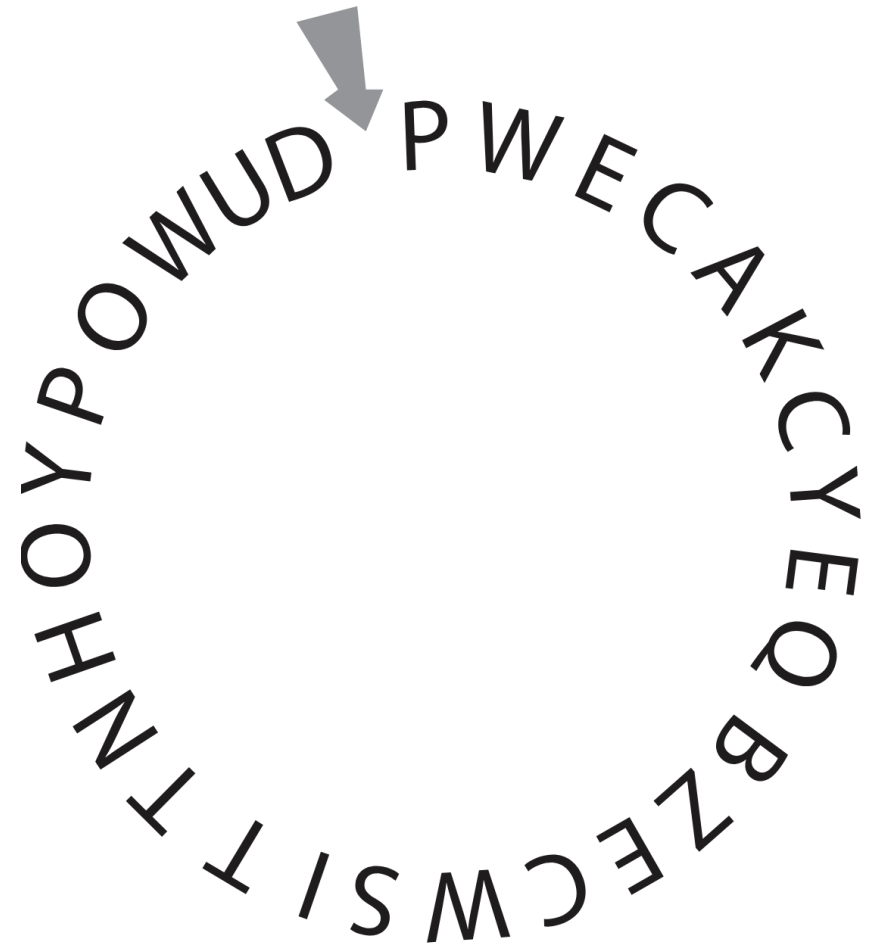
CAN WE TALK  
ABOUT IT

Pentecost is a special day when we begin to see the disciples play a greater role than just following Jesus. Before, Jesus was with them and they had a clear leader to follow. Now, as Jesus returns to Heaven, Jesus begins to give them the power, the courage and the wisdom to tell others what Christ is all about.

Do you have the power, the courage and the wisdom to tell others?  
Of course you do!

WHAT IS THE  
MESSAGE

Read every other letter to find the hidden message!



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