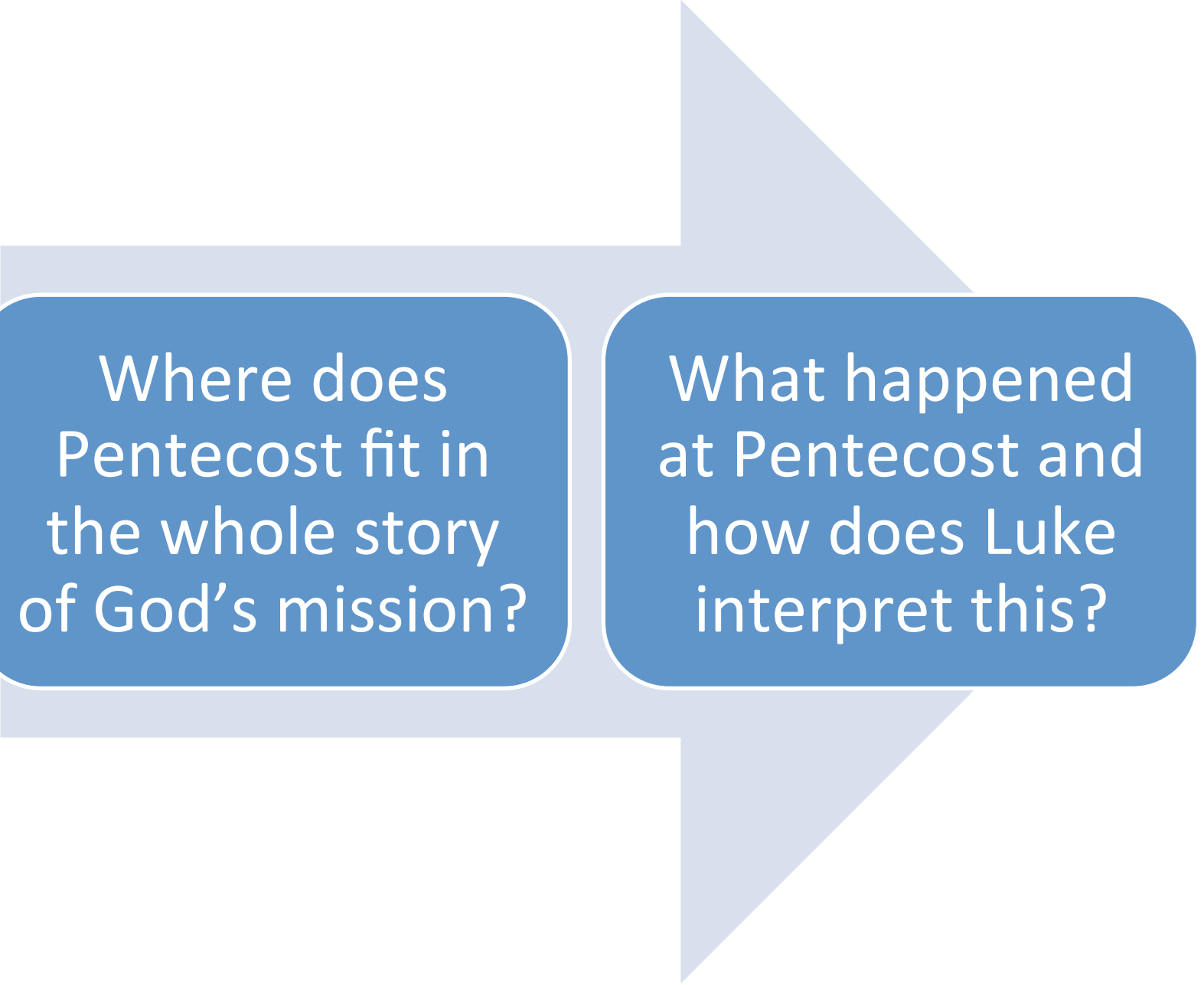


God's cosmic mission

Scene 5 Pentecost

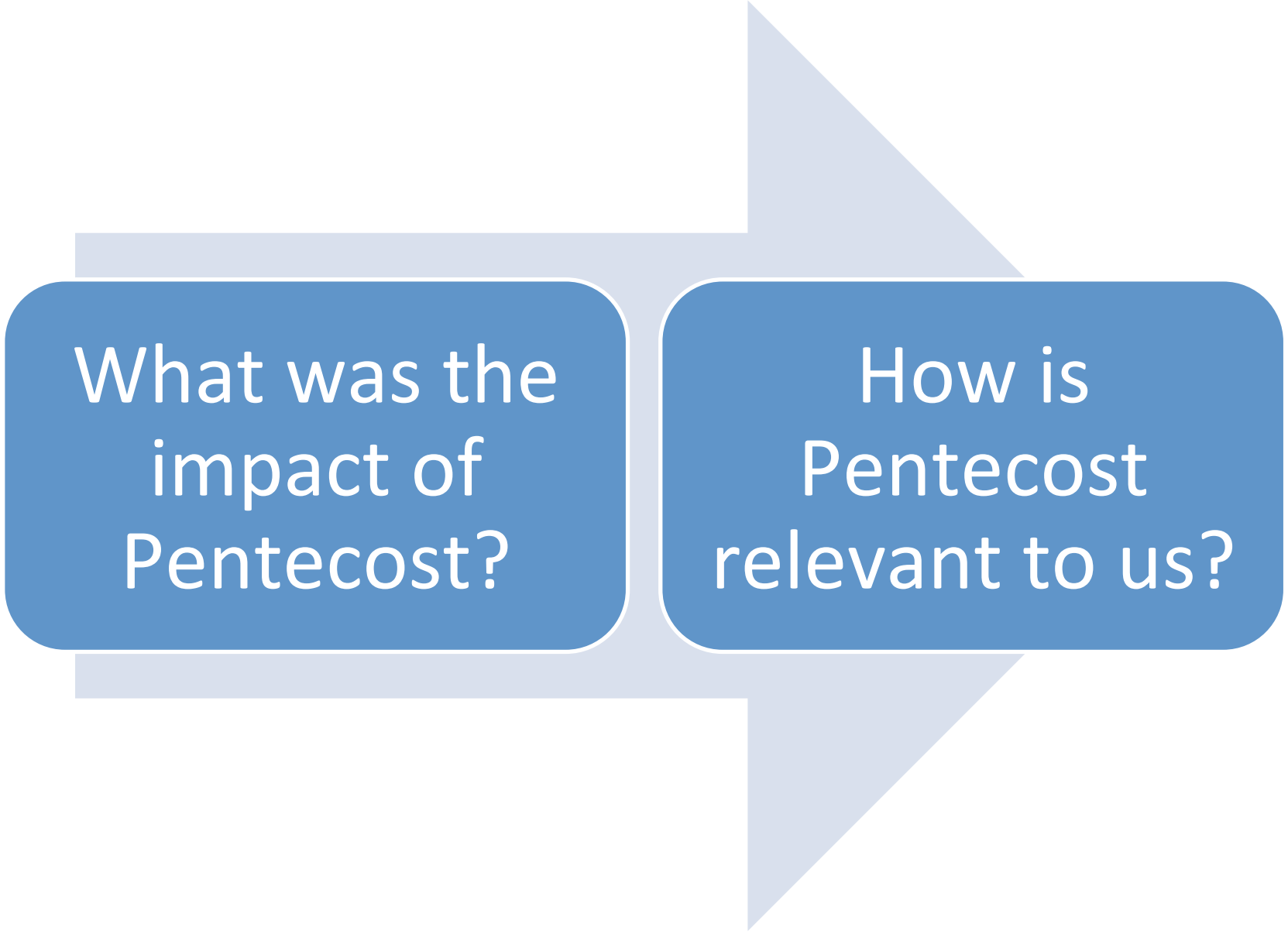
The outpouring of the Spirit

The baton is passed on...



Where does Pentecost fit in the whole story of God's mission?

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What was the
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How is
Pentecost
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Scene 1 Creation



It is good

Scene 2 Tragedy strikes



**Rebellion -
all is not good**

Scene 3 Hope is sparked



God calls Abraham

From him come a people,
Israel

Called to be a blessing to
the nations

Salvation longed for- and
promised

Scene 4

A hero arises

Hopes fulfilled in the birth, life, death and resurrection of Jesus of Nazareth - Messiah has come!

Salvation is accomplished



Final instructions

- Wait for the gift my Father promised Acts 1:4
- You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you Acts 1: 8
- You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth Acts 1:8

Scene 5 Pentecost

The baton is passed



Salvation is offered
to all

Holy Spirit enables
His apostles to be
witnesses



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Pentecost

- The Feast of Harvest or Feast of Weeks

50 days after Passover

- Giving of the law at Mount Sinai

50 days after exodus from Egypt

Pentecost- 3 supernatural signs

Sound Like a violent wind POWER



Pentecost- 3 supernatural signs

Fire ...what seemed like tongues of fire ... PURITY



Pentecost- 3 supernatural signs

Sound POWER

Fire PURITY

Speech Many languages UNITY

A new era of the Spirit – Reversal of curse of Babel Gen 11:1-9

Babel	Pentecost
Languages confused Nations scattered	Language barrier overcome as a sign that the nations would come together in Christ
Man proudly tries to ascend to heaven	God humbly descended to earth

Peter's sermon Acts 2: 14-41

The gospel events explained

Salvation promised and fulfilled

Salvation offered and received through
repentance and baptism

Urgency in Peter's message 2:40

“Save yourselves from this ***corrupt generation***”

Don't be a “wilderness generation”

Luke as historian and theologian!

Salvation history
framework:
promise and
fulfilment

Mission is God's
mission

Universality- it is
for all!

This is that...

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Mission is the 'Acts of the Holy Spirit'

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Luke clearly presents salvation for all

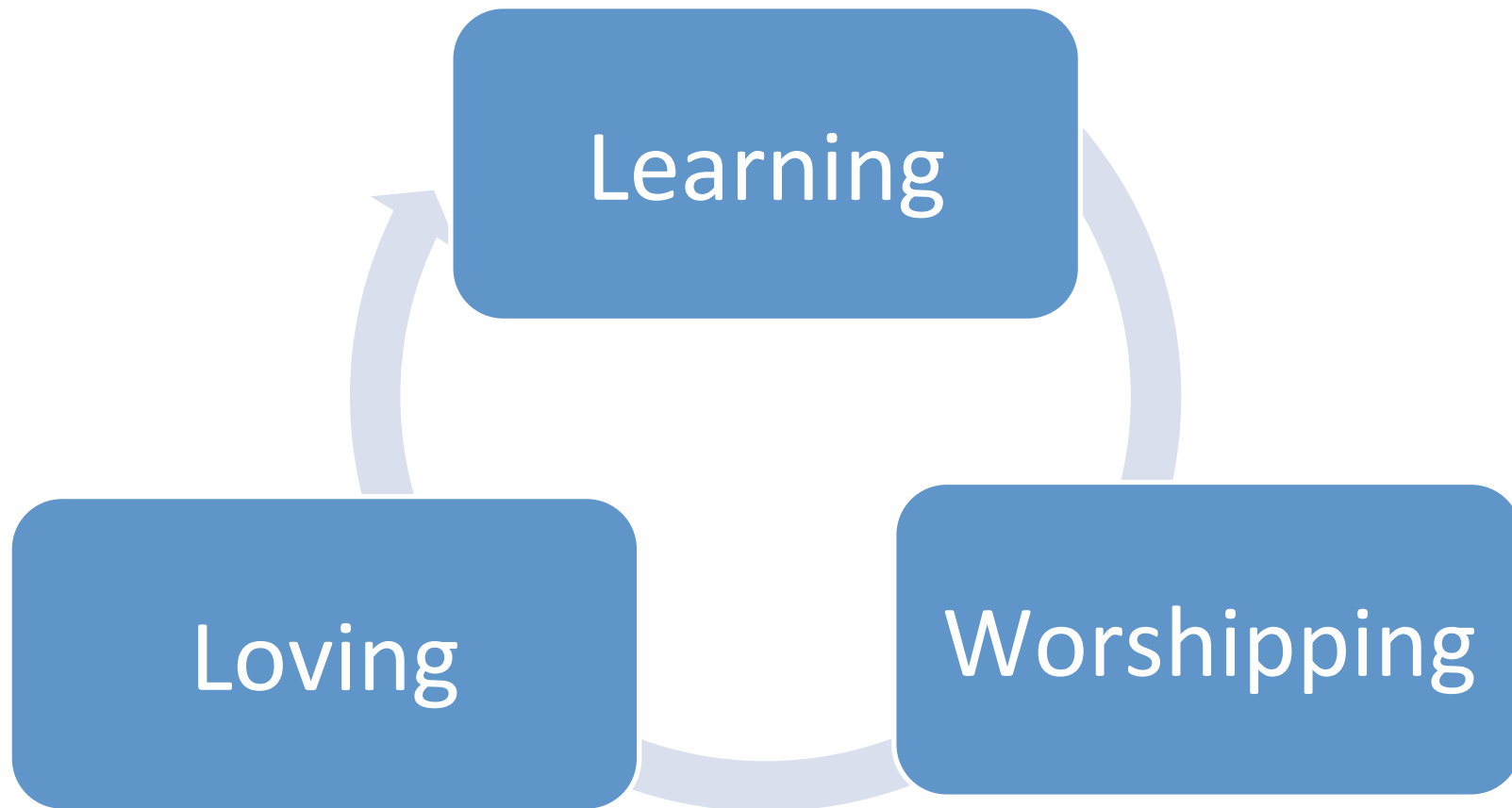


Universality



What was the impact
of Pentecost?

Qualitative results 2: 42-47



Quantitative results 2 v41

NEW HARVEST

- 3,000 accepted Peter's message, repented, were baptised
- The LORD kept adding....daily! (v41 & v47)



How is Pentecost
relevant to us?

The baton is passed



The book of Acts
has no proper
finish...

The Holy Spirit has
never left his
people...

The baton is passed



What kind of **community** ?

- Learning
- Loving
- Worshipping

The baton is passed



What kind of **witness**?

- Joyful
- Bold
- Persevering