

# Fire And Fruit

Acts 2:17-24;40-43

(AMPC)

**17** And it shall come to pass in the last days, God declares, that I will pour out of My Spirit upon all mankind, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy [telling forth the divine counsels] and your young men shall see visions (divinely granted appearances), and your old men shall dream [divinely suggested] dreams.

**18** Yes, and on My menservants also and on My maidservants in those days I will pour out of My Spirit, and they shall prophesy [telling forth the divine counsels and predicting future events pertaining especially to God's kingdom].

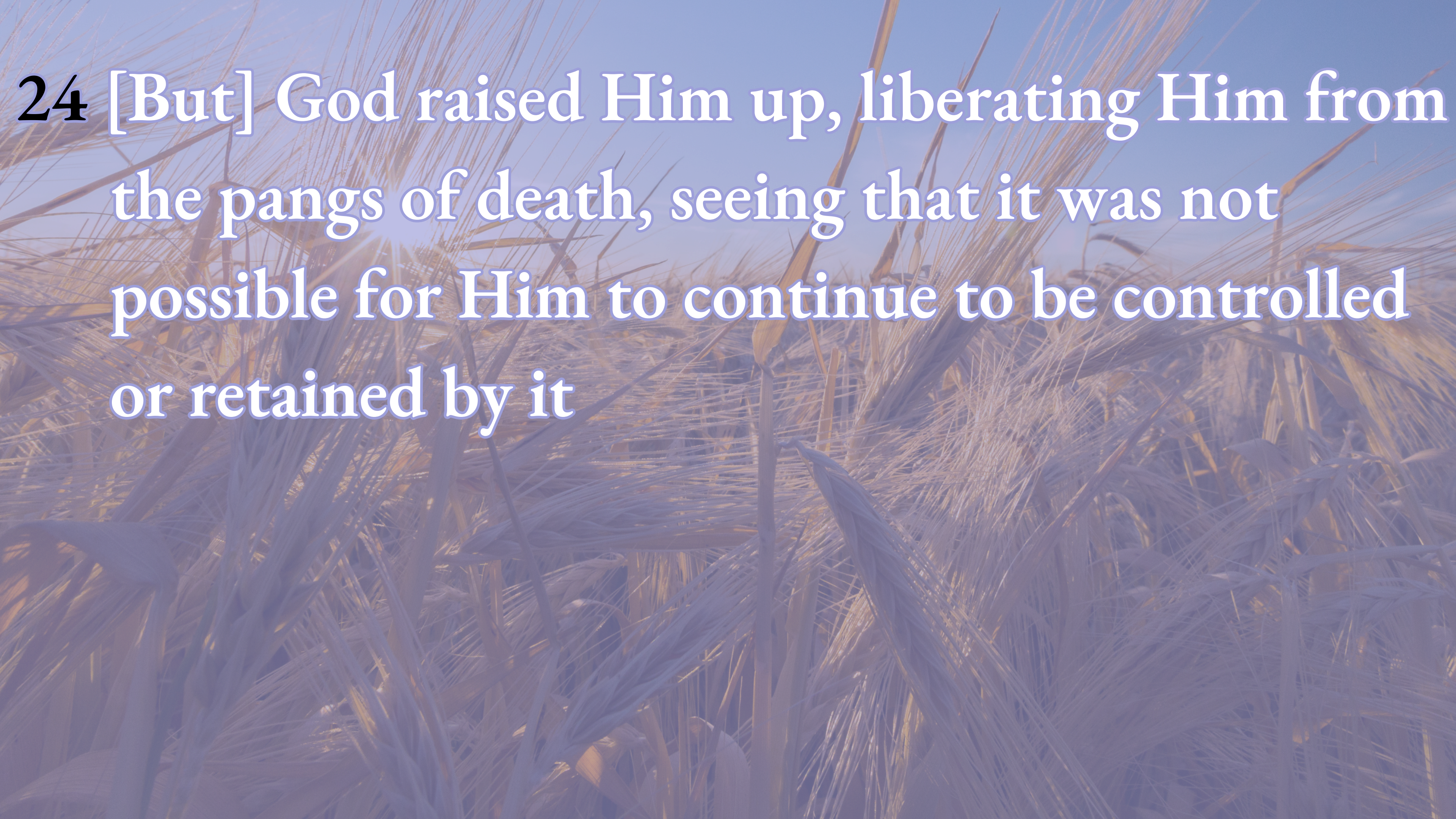
**19** And I will show wonders in the sky above and signs on the earth beneath, blood and fire and smoking vapor;

**20** The sun shall be turned into darkness and the moon into blood before the obvious day of the Lord comes—that great and notable and conspicuous and renowned [day].

**21** And it shall be that whoever shall call upon the name of the Lord [invoking, adoring, and worshiping the Lord—Christ] shall be saved.  
[Joel 2:28-32.]

**22** You men of Israel, listen to what I have to say:  
Jesus of Nazareth, a Man accredited and  
pointed out and shown forth and commended  
and attested to you by God by the mighty  
works and [the power of performing]  
wonders and signs which God worked  
through Him [right] in your midst, as you  
yourselves know—

**23** This Jesus, when delivered up according to the definite and fixed purpose and settled plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and put out of the way [killing Him] by the hands of lawless and wicked men.

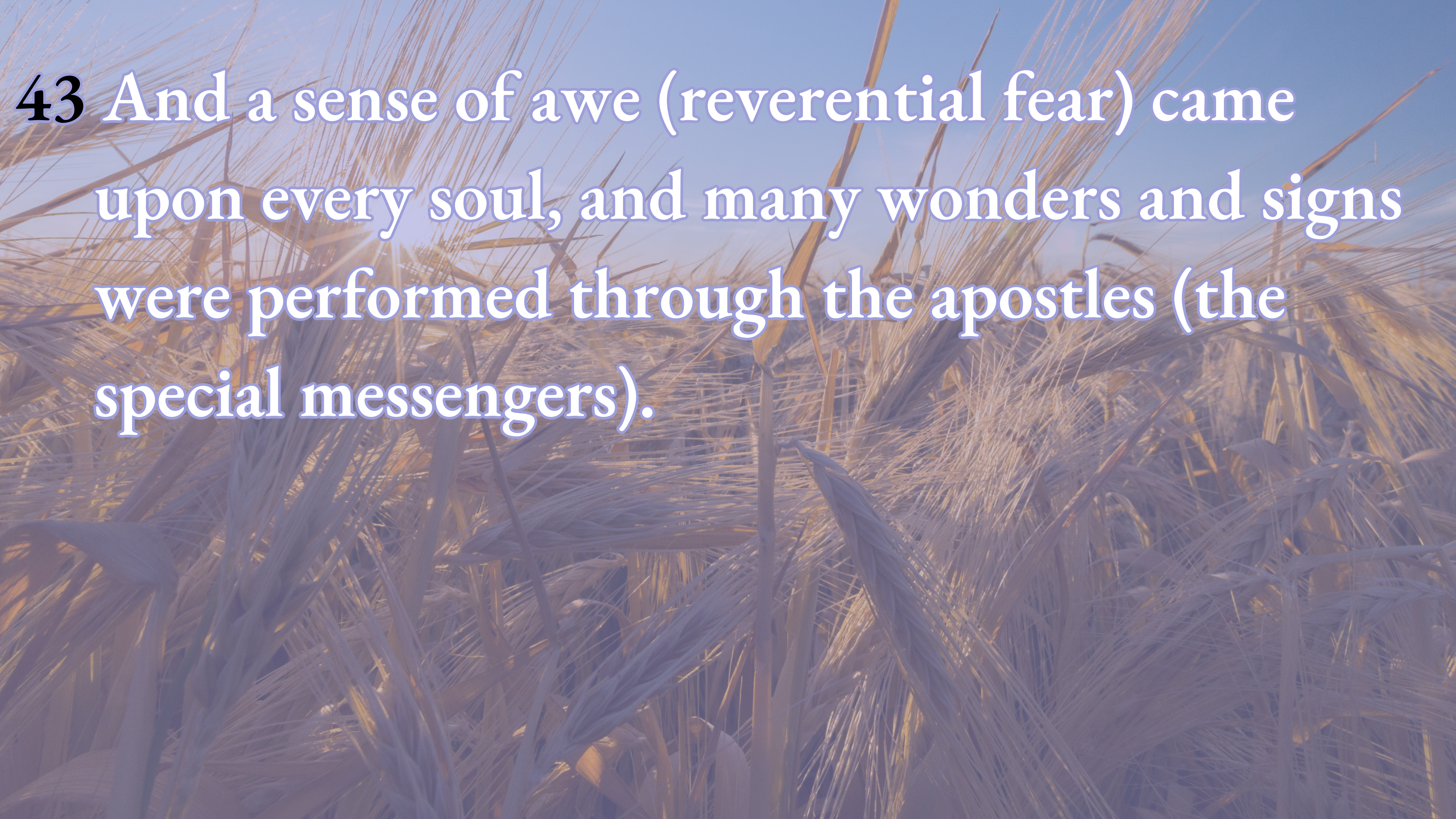


**24** [But] God raised Him up, liberating Him from the pangs of death, seeing that it was not possible for Him to continue to be controlled or retained by it

**40** And [Peter] solemnly and earnestly witnessed (testified) and admonished (exhorted) with much more continuous speaking and warned (reproved, advised, encouraged) them, saying, Be saved from this crooked (perverse, wicked, unjust) generation.

**41** Therefore those who accepted and welcomed his message were baptized, and there were added that day about 3,000 souls.

**42** And they steadfastly persevered, devoting themselves constantly to the instruction and fellowship of the apostles, to the breaking of bread [including the Lord's Supper] and prayers.

A field of tall, golden-brown grasses or reeds against a clear blue sky. The grasses are dense and reach towards the top of the frame, with some blades in the foreground being more prominent. The sky is a uniform, light blue color.

**43** And a sense of awe (reverential fear) came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were performed through the apostles (the special messengers).

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