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Question: Are we living in the “last days” of human history?

Answer: Yes, we are. But, don’t be alarmed because we’ve been living in the last day for nearly two thousand years! The Bible divides human history into three great dispensations of time: (1) Patriarchal Age, from Adam to Moses, (2) the Mosaic Age, when Moses received the law on Mt. Sinai until Jesus’ death, and (3) the Christian Age, which began with the preaching of the gospel and the establishment of the church in *Acts 2*.

On that first Pentecost day, following the resurrection of Christ, the apostles were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in tongues (other languages). Peter explained, “*For these are not drunk, as you suppose...but this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel, ‘And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, that I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams,’ (Acts 2:15-17).* As Peter continued to preach, it became evident to many that this prophesy of Joel was being fulfilled! People asked what they should do to be saved, and Peter said, “*Repent and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins...*” (2:38). Those who gladly received this message were baptized, and three thousand souls were added to the church.

So began the Christian Age, and the start of the “last days” of history! This being true, now is the day of salvation (*2nd Cor. 6:2*).

--Steve McCaslin