



Truth Through Personality, Part 2

Series: "Real Christianity: How It All Started", Part 8 of 11

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Text: Acts 2:14-41

Big Idea: Our task is not to bring people to Christ; but to bring Christ to people through our lifestyle, words and actions.

1 Corinthians 1:21, "For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe."

II. The Substance Of Gospel Proclamation.

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A. Christ's life and ministry; divinely attested by miracles (2:22).

Acts 2:22, "Men of Israel, listen to this: Jesus of Nazareth was a man accredited by God to you by miracles, wonders and signs, which God did among you through him, as you yourselves know."

B. Christ's death; according to God's purpose (2:23).

Acts 2:23, This man was handed over to you by God's set purpose and foreknowledge; and you, with the help of wicked men, put him to death by nailing him to the cross.

C. Christ's resurrection; as the prophets had foretold and the apostles had witnessed (2:24-32).

Acts 2:24, "But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him."

1 Corinthians 15:17, And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins.

Acts 2:32, "God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of the fact."

D. Christ's exaltation; to God's right hand from where He pours out His Spirit (2:33-36).

Acts 2:33, 36, "Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear. 36 Therefore let all

Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ.”

E. Christ’s salvation; which offers forgiveness and the indwelling Spirit to all who repent, believe and are baptized (2:37-39).

Acts 2:37-39, When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, “Brothers, what shall we do?” 38 Peter replied, “Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”

F. Christ’s new community, the church; which is called to carry on His mission (2:40-41).

Acts 2:40-41, With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” 41Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

Acts 20:24, “I consider my life worth nothing to me, if only I may finish the race and complete the task the Lord Jesus has given me – the task of ***testifying to the gospel of God’s grace.***”