

# Acts 2:14 - 37 Peter Delivers his First Sermon

Peter's first sermon was his best sermon and a sermon to remember because:

#### 1. It was **SIMPLE AND CLEAR**

### a. First, he ANSWERED THEIR QUESTION

**Acts 2:14** But Peter, standing with the eleven, lifted up his voice and addressed them: "Men of Judea and all who dwell in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, `and give ear to my words. 15 For these people are not drunk, as you suppose, since it is only the third hour of the day. 16 But this is what was uttered through the prophet Joel: <sup>17</sup> "And in the last days it shall be, God declares, that I will pour out 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; <sup>18</sup> even on my male servants and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit, and they shall prophesy. <sup>19</sup> And I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and vapor of smoke; <sup>20</sup> the sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the day of the Lord comes, the great and magnificent day. <sup>21</sup> And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

# b. Second, he TOLD THEM ABOUT JESUS

Acts 2:22 "Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know—<sup>23</sup> this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men.<sup>24</sup> God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it.<sup>25</sup> For David says concerning him, "'I saw the Lord always before me, for he is at my right hand that I may not be shaken; <sup>26</sup> therefore my heart was glad, and my tongue rejoiced; my flesh also will dwell in hope.<sup>27</sup> For you will not abandon my soul to Hades, or let your Holy One see corruption.<sup>28</sup> You have made known to me the paths of life; you will make me full of gladness with your presence.<sup>29</sup> "Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day.<sup>30</sup> Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne,<sup>31</sup> he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption.

# c. Third, he ENLISTED COMMITMENT

<u>Acts 2:32</u> This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. <sup>33</sup> Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing. <sup>34</sup> For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, "'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, <sup>35</sup> until I make your enemies your footstool." <sup>36</sup> Let all the house of

Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified.

### 2. It was SCRIPTURAL AND CHRIST-CENTERED

- a. Joel 2:28 -32
- b. <u>Acts 2:22, 23, 36</u> Jesus of Nazareth, this Jesus, God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified...

### 3. It was **PRACTICAL AND CONVICTING**

- a. Practically answered two questions: **WHAT DOES IT MEAN?** *v12*, **WHAT SHALL WE DO** *v37*?
- b. <u>**CONVICTING**</u> <u>Acts 2:37</u> Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"
- 4. He spoke about WHAT HAD HAPPENED
- 5. He spoke about **JESUS**
- 6. We're all ministers of the Gospel, <u>LIVING OUT</u> a sermon to remember
  - a. We need to share the Gospel <u>WHERE WE ARE</u> with <u>WHOMEVER IS AROUND</u>
  - b. We need to be **SCRIPTURAL** and talk about **JESUS AND WHAT HE HAS DONE**
  - c. We need to be **PRACTICAL** and let the Holy Spirit **DO THE CONVICTION**; share the Gospel

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