

Life in Jesus Church

The First Christian Sermon – Peter

Acts 2:12–39

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What It Means to Become A Christian

Mind becomes engaged

1. Peter reminded his Jewish audience of their history, their scripture
2. Who was David's Lord? (hint: Jesus)
3. Christianity doesn't require one to suspend their mind
4. Repentance is a changing of the mind

Salvation by grace

1. Explains how every part and every person of the Old Testament points to Jesus
Jesus is the true and better Adam
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2. The Bible is not about what I must do for salvation.
It is about what Jesus did for my salvation.

Reaches the heart

1. People heard the gospel and were cut to the heart (in pain)
You see that your sin is personal.
2. You don't just "take up" Christianity
Christianity "takes you up"
3. Peter realized he broke the rules (lied, denied he knew Jesus)
4. Luke 22: Peter denied Christ and realized that not only had he had broken the rules, but when Jesus looked at him, he realized he had broken Jesus' heart.
Peter repented

When he realized all the love and suffering Jesus had done on the cross, it melted his heart, and he wanted to change

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After Peter's sermon, people asked "What must we do to be saved?"

Give Him your life, then you get....

1. Repent and receive the freedom of being forgiven
2. New community - brothers and sisters
3. A new power - the Holy Spirit begins to change you.
4. Gentiles become brothers and sisters – new attitude toward the world