



- * They died better.
- * They were inclusive.
- * They took care of people.

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- * Gives you a glimpse of your future.
- * Shows you all of the goodness of God.
- * Puts you in touch with "the nations."

Peter's sermon (Acts 2:14-40)

- * This is a fulfillment of prophecy (15-21).
- * Jesus is the Messiah (22-32).
 - * His works showed it.
 - * His resurrection showed it.
- * Jesus poured out the Holy Spirit (33-36).
- Application (37-40)

OT Prophecies:

- * "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved" (Joel 2).
- "you will fill me with joy in your presence" (Psalm 16).
- * "The Lord said to my Lord ... " (Psalm 110).

Peter the Bold:

- * "Listen carefully to what I say." (verse 14)
- * "Listen to this: ..." (verse 22)
- * "I can tell you confidently ... " (verse 29)
- "let all Israel be assured of this: ..."
 (verse 36)



But in your hearts revere Christ as Lord.
Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.



Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you!
As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit.

Luke 24:44-45

He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms." Then he opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures.



[Peter]: "These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning!

Acts 2:17

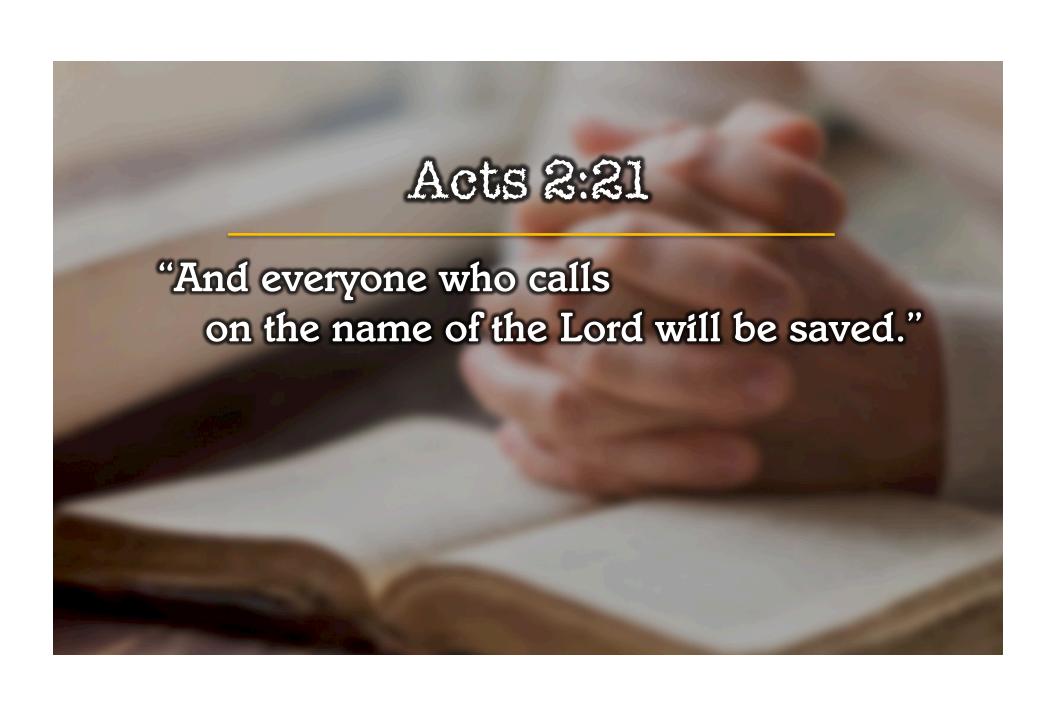
"In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams.



"Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy."

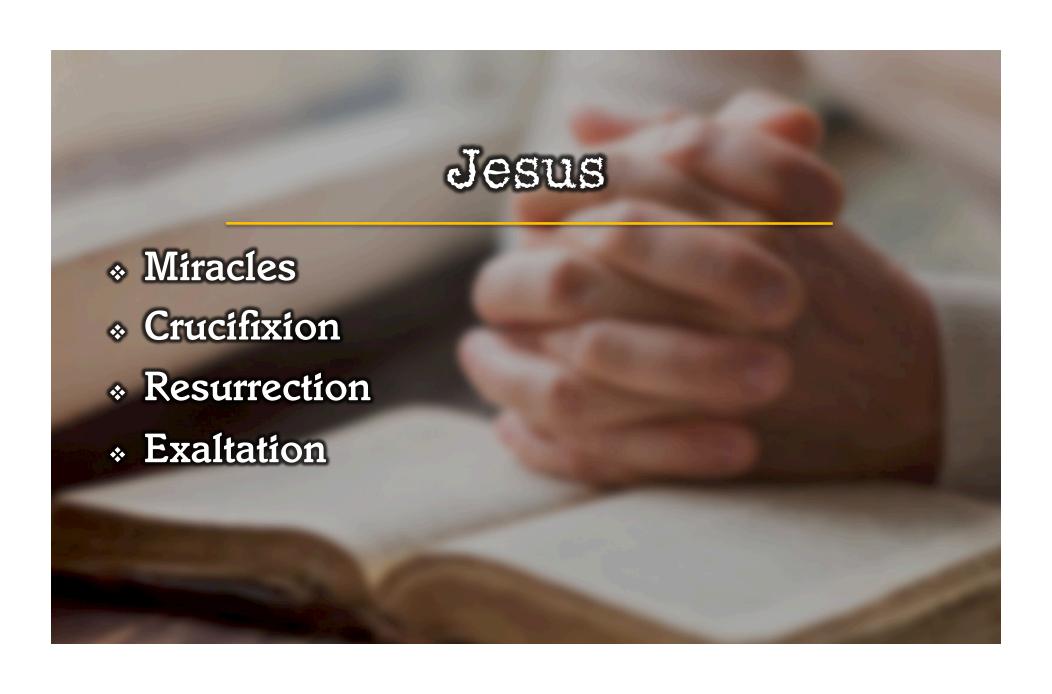


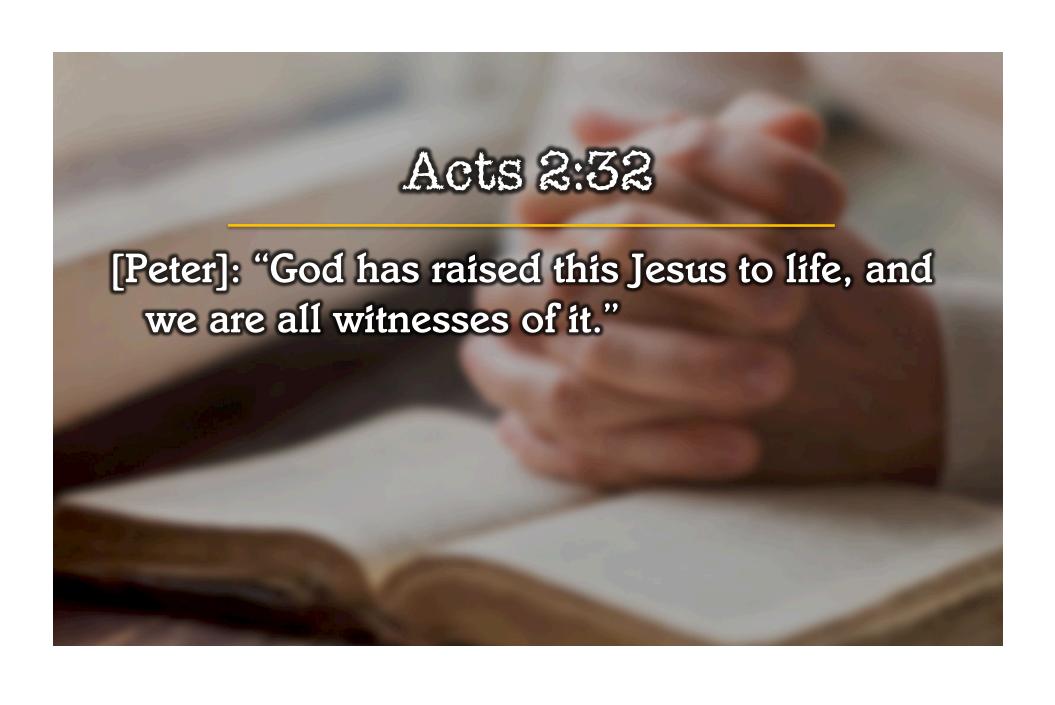
- Sons and daughters
- * Young me and old men
- * Both men and women





[Peter]: "Fellow Israelites, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day."





1 Corinthians 15:6

After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep.

Acts 26:25-26

[Paul to Agrippa]: "What I am saying is true and reasonable. The king is familiar with these things, and I can speak freely to him. I am convinced that none of this has escaped his notice, because it was not done in a corner."

Acts 2:36-37

"Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Messiah." When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"

Acts 2:38-39

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. The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off — for all whom the LORD our God will call."

Acts 2:40-41

With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation." Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.

Pilgrimage festivals:

- Passover remembered Exodus
- Pentecost remembered God giving the Law to Moses on Mount Sinai
- * Tabernacles remembered the 40 years in the wilderness

Exodus 32:28-29

The Levites did as Moses commanded, and that day about three thousand of the people died. Then Moses said, "You have been set apart to the Lord today, for you were against your own sons and brothers, and he has blessed you this day."



- Under the law
 - * Exodus 32
 - * 3,000 killed

- Under grace
 - * Acts 2
 - * 3,000 saved

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Luke 22:60-61

Peter replied, "Man, I don't know what you're talking about!" Just as he was speaking, the rooster crowed. The Lord turned and looked straight at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word the Lord had spoken to him: "Before the rooster crows today, you will disown me three times."





[Jesus, describing the Holy Spirit to his disciples]: When he comes, he will prove the world to be in the wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment:



"Before you are cut to the heart, you know that your sin has broken God's rules.

After you are cut to the heart, you know that your sin has broken God's heart."

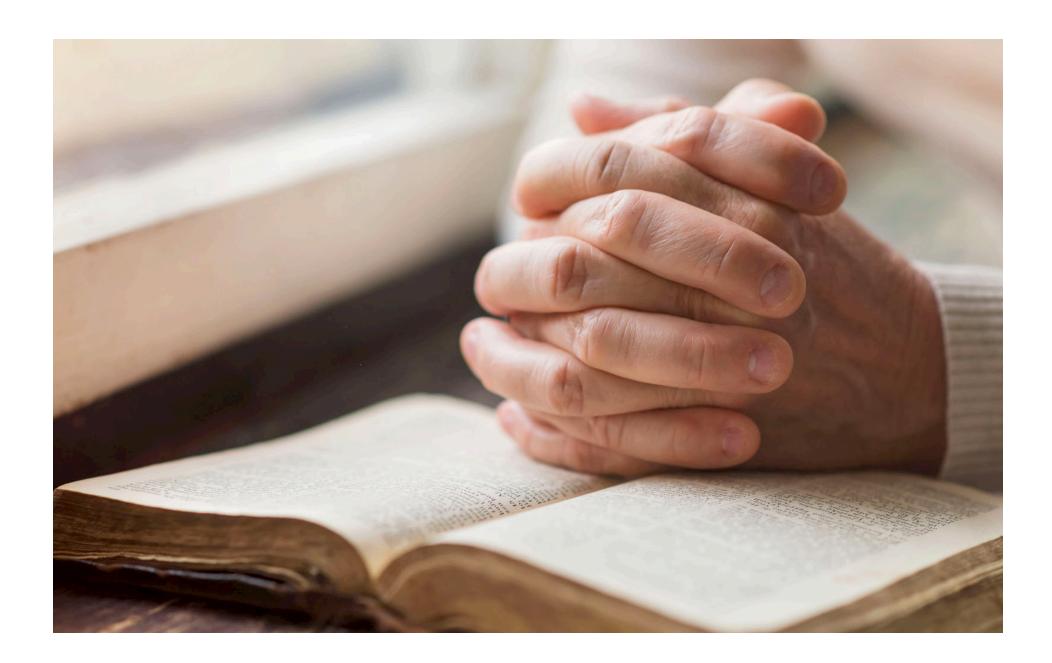
Zechariah 12:10

"And I will pour out on the house of David and the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and supplication. They will look on me, the one they have pierced, and they will mourn for him as one mourns for an only child, and grieve bitterly for him as one grieves for a firstborn son."



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Are you being called?

- * To receive Christ
- To become a member of Melbourne Community Church
- * To pray / to receive prayer
- * To affirm or reaffirm a commitment
- * To receive the LORD's Supper