

ACTS

OF THE APOSTLES



THE CHURCH GOD FOUNDED

I. HAS THE RIGHT MESSAGE

About The Savior v. 22-37

Acts 2:22-37 (NIV) 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. 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. 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.

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²⁵ David said about him: "I saw the Lord always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. ²⁶ Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will live in hope, ²⁷ because you will not abandon me to the grave, nor will you let your Holy One see decay. ²⁸ You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence.' ²⁹ "Brothers, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was buried, and his tomb is here to this day.

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³⁰ But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹ Seeing what was ahead, he spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to the grave, nor did his body see decay. ³² God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of the fact. ³³ 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.

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³⁴ For David did not ascend to heaven, and yet he said, "The Lord said to my Lord: "Sit at my right hand
³⁵ until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet." ³⁶ "Therefore let all Israel be assured of this: God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ."

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John 1:14 (NIV) The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the One and Only, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

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“Raised by God” v.24

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About Sin v. 37

Acts 2:37 (NIV) When the people heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?"



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Romans 6:23 (NIV) For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.



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Matthew 18:7 (KJV) Woe unto the world because of offences! for it must needs be that offences come; but woe to that man by whom the offence cometh!



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About Salvation v. 38-40

Acts 2:38-40 (NIV) 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. ³⁹ The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off--for all whom the Lord our God will call." ⁴⁰ With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, "Save yourselves from this corrupt generation."

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Ephesians 2:8-9 (NIV) ⁸ For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith--and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God--

⁹ not by works, so that no one can boast.



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A.W. Tozer- *The Crucified Life*

“Christianity rest upon one foundation: Jesus Christ. Before anyone can understand the depth of Christian experience and dynamics of living the crucified life, this foundation needs to be established. No building can exceed the capacity of its foundation. The more important the building, the more important the foundation.

The right question to ask is simply, “who is Jesus Christ?” And closely following that is, “what am I going to do with Him?”

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A Saved Membership v. 41

Acts 2:41 (NIV) ⁴¹ Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.



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John 3:3 (NIV) In reply Jesus declared, "I tell you the truth, no one can see the kingdom of God unless he is born again."



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A Separated Membership v. 42

Acts 2:42 (NIV) They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.



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Luke 14:27 (NIV) And anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my disciple.



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2 Corinthians 5:17 (NIV) Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!



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2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1 (NIV) ¹⁴ Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common? Or what fellowship can light have with darkness? ¹⁵ What harmony is there between Christ and Belial? What does a believer have in common with an unbeliever? ¹⁶ What agreement is there between the temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will live with them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they will be my

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people." ¹⁷ "Therefore come out from them and be separate, says the Lord. Touch no unclean thing, and I will receive you." ¹⁸ "I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty." ¹ Since we have these promises, dear friends, let us purify ourselves from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness out of reverence for God.

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A Steadfast Membership v. 42

1 Corinthians 4:2 (NIV) Now it is required that those who have been given a trust must prove faithful.



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1 Peter 2:5,9-12 (NIV) ⁵ you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

⁹ But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

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¹⁰ Once you were not a people, but now you are the people of God; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy. ¹¹ Dear friends, I urge you, as aliens and strangers in the



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world, to abstain from sinful desires, which war against your soul. ¹² Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us.



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III. HAS THE RIGHT METHODOLOGY

They Worked Together v. 44-45

Acts 2:44-45 (NIV) ⁴⁴ All the believers were together and had everything in common.

⁴⁵ Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need.



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III. HAS THE RIGHT METHODOLOGY

They Worshiped Together v. 46

Acts 2:46 (NIV) ⁴⁶ Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts,



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They Witnessed Together v. 47

Acts 2:47 (NIV) praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.



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He Is Powerful v. 2

Acts 2:2 (NIV) Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting.



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Lloyd Ogilvie – *The One through whom all things were created, the eternal Logos, had come to recreate humankind. When this happens, a miracle takes place. Our spirit is the port of entry for the divine Spirit. When He enters a human being the mind is transformed, the computer of the brain is given new data, the will is released from bondage, and the nervous system becomes the channel of supernatural energy. That is what happened at Pentecost, beginning a new age of spiritual renaissance.*

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The higher spiritual law Jesus had explained was manifested: God's Spirit engendered in the spirit of people produced a potential beyond human limitations.



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He Is Purifying v. 3

Acts 2:3 (NIV) They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them.



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He Is Personal v. 4

Acts 2:4 (NIV) All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them.



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Acts 2:17-18 (NIV) 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.

¹⁸ Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy.

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