**SERMON NOTES**

**To The Ends of the Earth**

**A Sermon Series Through the Book of Acts**

**“The LORD Said to My Lord”**

**Acts 2: 33 – 41**

**Having discussed Jesus’s life, miracles, death, and resurrection, Peter now turns in this next part of his sermon to Jesus’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Heaven.**

**Just as the passages that Peter has already quoted - and like all of the Bible - these words from David in this Psalm are his own words and at the same times words divinely \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by the Holy Spirit.**

**The messiah is certainly David’s son (of the line of David) but He is also \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ than that.**

**What Peter wants us to see and understand here is that Daivid saw, the Scriptures tell us, that Jesus was more than a man****. He was David’s\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, David’s sovereign, David’s divine, and David’s God.**

**Peter’s argument is that the Scriptures from Joel to David - and all the prophets - speak to the reality that Jesus has come, lived, died, risen again, and now has ascended to the right hand of the Father where He is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, pleading, and praying for His people.**

**The only \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and appropriate response to the gospel is what we see here in the text (v 37 – 38).**

**Those in the crowd voice this question *“Brothers what shall we do?”.* They had realized that they were, because of their sin, rightly objects of God’s just wrath and deserving His punishment and now were desperate to respond rightly to this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**The Spirit’s gifting is universal but you must \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ on the name of the Lord.**

**Peter tells them that they must \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of their sin in order to be saved- this is a part of calling on the Lord.**

**Repentance of sin by faith in Jesus is the only way to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ back to God.**

**What is repentance? “To repent is to reverse course and do an “about face”. It means to recognize God’s authority over you and the ways that you have rejected and resisted this authority. To repent is acknowledge that you have tried to live as your own master in the past and now you embrace Jesus as your Lord - now and forever - pursuing to live in obedience to His commands. The radical 180 degree turn of repentance is only possible as an act of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus.”**

**Repentance is more than changing our behavior; it’s about God’s work to change our \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, our desire, and the purpose of our life.**

**Repentance is not perfection, but rather a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of God and His ways.**

**The story of our Christian life is a story of continuing repentance as we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with sin and the flesh daily.**

**The Bible teaches us over and over again that \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ alone through faith alone is the way to salvation and the only things that save us.**

**Baptism does not save us or complete our salvation but rather gives \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that we are already saved and our that our repentance is real.**

**When we are baptized it is the first step of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Jesus as our new Lord and Savior.**

**Baptism is a visual \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of what happens in salvation: that we die to sin and are raised to new life with Christ. When we are baptized, we are publicly saying what we have already said privately to the Lord: that we commit to making Him Lord of our life. Baptism is often the first opportunity to show how serious we are about obeying His commands and authority over our lives.**

**Peter is calling the crowd to turn to faith in Jesus as the Messiah, repent of their sin, and then as evidence of that faith, publicly align and proclaim Jesus as their Lord through water \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

**The \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ comes to us now the moment we repent of our sin and believe in Jesus, turning to Him by faith.**

**The promise of salvation is for everyone whom the Lord our God \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to Himself (v40).**

**To \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is to strongly encourage, urge, charge, press, and prod someone toward a decision.**

**To be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in sharing the gospel we must exhort those with whom we share.**

**Pentecost means that we can know God and make Him \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.**

Blanks: ascension; inspired; more; LORD; interceding; right; truth; call; repent; reconciled; faith; heart; pursuit; contend; grace; evidence; obedience; picture; baptism; Holy Spirit; calls; exhort; faithful; known;

***Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching – 1 Timothy 4:13***

Congregational Scripture Reading – Ephesians 4: 7 -8

But grace was given to each one of us according to the measure of Christ's gift.

Therefore it says, “When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men.”