



Pentecost: Life Transforming Power | Acts 2:4-41

READ: Acts 2:14-41 (then, skim read all of Acts 2 for context)

1. What particularly strikes you as you read these Scriptures?
2. What, do you think, are the most significant parts of Peter's sermon (verses 14-36)? Why?
3. In verses 14-15, Peter challenges the crowd. How? Why? How, do you think, the community of Christchurch views CBC, rightly or wrongly?
4. Why is it important that Peter uses Scripture (Joel 2:28-32, Psalm 16:8-21 & Psalm 110:1) to back up his argument? What are the implications of this in our evangelism/apologetics with friends?
5. Unpack the 'bad news' in verses 22-23. How is it possible that we, the contemporary church/world, are equally complicit in the death of Christ?
6. Verse 24 starts with the word 'but'. Unpack together the good news which follows this little word.
7. Why, do you think, does Peter speak about David's death in his sermon? What are the contemporary applications we might make from this?
8. Peter's sermon finishes with a very clear declaration in v36. What declaration would you make to summarise your own faith convictions?
9. Verses 37-41 document the response to the sermon. Can you think of an occasion when preaching has had a similar response (even if in fewer numbers)? Discuss why.
10. Why is it important that baptism follows repentance? What does baptism symbolise as you understand it?



What did you discover about God in this passage?
What did you discover about people in this passage?
How will you commit to obey this passage this week?
With whom will you share what you have learned?

