



GROWTH GROUP SERMON CURRICULUM

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“AND PETER SAID TO THEM, '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'" - ACT 2:38

ACTS 2

FROM THE TEXT

- READ ACTS 2:1-13. HOW IS JESUS' PROMISE IN ACTS 1:8 STARTING TO BE FULFILLED IN THIS PASSAGE? HOW DOES THE CROWD REACT TO THE DISCIPLES RECEIVING THE HOLY SPIRIT AND SPEAKING IN TONGUES?
- IN ACTS 2:14-36 PETER STANDS BEFORE THE CROWD AND PREACHES THE FIRST SERMON IN THE HISTORY OF THE CHURCH. DISCUSS THE CONTENT OF PETER'S SERMON. WHAT STANDS OUT, WHAT IS PETER'S MAIN POINT, AND HOW DOES THE CROWD RESPOND IN ACTS 2:37-41?

FROM THE SERMON

- ACTS 2:37 SHOWS US HOW THOSE WHO HEARD THE TRUTH ABOUT JESUS CHRIST WERE GREATLY CONVICTED OF THEIR SIN AND DIDN'T KNOW WHAT TO DO. PETER RESPONDS IN ACTS 2:37-39. WHAT CAN WE LEARN FROM PETER'S RESPONSE AND THE PROMISES HE SHARES?
- READ ACTS 2:42-47. PASTOR CHRIS TAUGHT HOW THE FIRST CHURCH DEVOTED THEMSELVES TO 4 KEY THINGS: GOD'S WORD, ONE ANOTHER, THE LORD'S SUPPER (THE GOSPEL), AND PRAYER. DISCUSS THOSE FOUR THINGS AND WHAT IT MEANS TO BE DEVOTED.

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- CONSIDERING ACTS 2:42-47 AS OUR EXAMPLE, WHAT ARE YOU DEVOTED TO? THINK AS AN INDIVIDUAL, AS A SMALL GROUP, AND AS A PART OF HARMONY BIBLE CHURCH. WHAT IS ONE CHANGE YOU CAN MAKE IN YOUR DEVOTIONS AND HOW CAN WE HOLD EACH OTHER ACCOUNTABLE?
- ACTS 2 AS A WHOLE SHOWS US HOW THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKED TO MAKE THE DISCIPLES WITNESSES TO THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST. HOW DO YOU SEE THE HOLY SPIRIT WORKING IN AND THROUGH YOU TO BE A WITNESS OF JESUS CHRIST? WHAT HOLDS YOU BACK FROM BEING A BOLD WITNESS OF JESUS CHRIST?

PRAYER FOCUS

PRAY THAT GOD WOULD DO A GREAT WORK THROUGH HARMONY BIBLE CHURCH IN SOUTHEAST IOWA AND AROUND THE WORLD BY THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. PRAY THAT WE WOULD DEVOTE OURSELVES TO THE WORK OF THE MINISTRY: TO GOD'S WORD, TO ONE ANOTHER, TO THE GOSPEL, AND TO PRAYER. PRAY SPECIFICALLY FOR ONE OF THESE AREAS IN YOUR LIFE THAT YOU STRUGGLE WITH.