INTRODUCTION

When we celebrate the birth of Jesus, we only do so because of the life, death, and resurrection He accomplished. Without His redemptive work His birth would have gone unnoticed. So far, we have traced the promise of God to send Messiah from its beginning. This weekend, we face the ramifications of that promise being fulfilled in Jesus of Nazareth. Life’s most important question is this: What must we do? In Acts 2, the Apostle Peter gives us the only correct answer.

An Amazing Happening:   vv. 1-12

An Absurd Explanation:   v. 13

An Inspired Declaration:   vv. 14-36

Life’s Most Important Question:   v. 37

God’s Definitive Answer:   vv. 38-40

Now What?   vv. 41-47

“For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to Himself.”   Acts 2: 39
MONDAY  |  ACTS 2:1-12;  JOHN 14:15-17;  EPHESIANS 5:15-21
What is the significance of the various languages spoken in this passage? What does this say about what Jesus accomplished? How do you see the Holy Spirit at work in and through you? What does it mean to be filled with the Holy Spirit as it relates to salvation? What does it mean as it relates to sanctification? How do the passages in John and Ephesians help clarify this?

TUESDAY  |  ACTS 2:13-36;  HEBREWS 1:1-4;  7:22-28
How is the Peter we see here different than the Peter we see in the Gospels? Why do you think we see this change in Peter? How does Peter describe Jesus Christ to the crowd? What key elements about Jesus did he include? Why is verse 23 so significant in this passage? Exactly where is Jesus Christ right now? What does this mean to you?

WEDNESDAY  |  ACTS 2:37-40
What does it mean to be cut to the heart? Is it the message or the messenger that cuts to the heart? What does repentance mean? How can we fight the temptation to believe it is inappropriate to call someone to repentance? When is the last time you called someone to repent and place their trust in Jesus? What can we learn from Peter’s bold approach? Who are we ultimately trusting to do the work?

THURSDAY  |  ACTS 2:41-47
What was the response to Peter’s sermon? What does this passage say about how their lives were different after salvation? What should we take away from the emphasis on how connected to the community the believers became? How connected are you to the community here at Grace? Is there a way in which you could grow in living a life that imitates Acts 2:42? How? What steps could you take in this next week?

FRIDAY  |  PRAY
Reflect on some of the questions from this week. Ask the Lord to help you grow in any areas you might be struggling in. Thank the Lord for sending His Spirit to dwell in us, empowering us to live for Him. Pray for someone with whom you need to have a more explicit conversation about the Gospel and repentance. Ask the Lord to give you the boldness to speak and then the grace to respond well.

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