Lord and Christ Acts 2:34-39

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I. Peter's closing statement. Acts 2:34-36

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LORD (all caps) is translated as _____, the Triune God, which can refer to each, the Father, Son, or the Holy Spirit. *Psalm 110:1*

• In *Psalm 110* God the Father is calling God the _____, God. Jesus is Lord (*kyrios*). The Greek Lexicon says it means, *he to whom a person or thing belongs, about which he has power of deciding;*

_, and the possessor and disposer of a thing.

II. The best question. Acts 2:37-38

The first ministry of the Holy Spirit is to *convict the world of sin*. Before we can authentically repent or seek forgiveness, we must first be

- _____ of sin by the Holy Spirit. John 16:8
- The biblical meaning of the Hebrew verb to *repent* is to turn and go in a ______ direction. In Greek, *repent* means to change one's mind.

A truly repentant person doesn't feel entitled, rather, they are humble, and willing to sacrifice their wants and needs for the ______ of others.

III. Does baptism save? Acts 2:38

First repentance. We already said, "Authentic repentance and forgiveness are gifts from the LORD, but with repentance, we have a

_____ part to play as well."

"In Acts 2:38 the word "for" (eis, GK), can mean "in light of" or
 "______ of". (Norm Geisler)

A Believer's (water) Baptism is for someone who has already placed their faith in the ______ work of Christ to be saved.

IV. Whoever calls on the name of the LORD. Acts 2:39

Peter did not promise the people that their children would inherit their parents' salvation because God has no ______. *John 3:3-7*

 Peter said the promise of *the remission of sins* and the *gift of the Holy Spirit* is for all who would repent and believe with an faith, even to future generations.

V. Practical Application.

When we realize the extravagance of His love, it begins to change our

_____. We love Him because he first loved us.

Small Group Discussion

Looking back at your notes from this week's sermon, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

1. Read Acts 2:34-36 and Psalm 110:1. What stands out to you about this conversation between the different members of the Godhead? Discuss the statement in the notes, "Yahweh (the LORD God) said to Adonai/kyrios (boss, master) to sit in His enthroned place of power until the Father gave full victory to Jesus the Messiah".

Matthew 22:41-46, Hebrews 1:5-9, Romans 1:20, Colossians 2:9

2. Read Acts 2:37-38 and John 16:8. Why is conviction from the Holy Spirit necessary for a person to authentically repent? Discuss the biblical meaning of the word repent in the Hebrew and Greek languages. Discuss some of the attributes of a truly repentant person.

Romans 3:110-12, Isaiah 64:6, John 6:44, Matthew 3:8, 1 John 1:8-9, Luke 5:32, 2 Corinthians 7:10

- Re-read Acts 2:38. Discuss what Norm Geisler in his book, "When Critics Ask" said, "Peter seems to be saying that those who responded had to repent and be baptized before they could receive the Holy Spirit. But this is contrary to the teaching of Paul that baptism is not part of the Gospel and that we are saved by grace alone." "In Acts 2:38 the word "for" (eis, GK), can mean "in light of" or "because of". Ephesians 2:8-9, Romans 8:9, 1 Corinthians 1:17, 12:13, Ephesians 4:4-6
- Read Acts 2:39. Who can call on the name of the LORD? Can someone be saved because of the faith of a family member? John 6:44, John 12:32, Acts 2:21, Romans 10:9-13, John 3:16, John 3:3-6
- Discuss the Practical Application of the sermon.
 1 John 4:19, Matthew 16:24, Psalm 23:3