

## Acts 2:24

## REVIEW:

**1. Jesus is affirmed as the promised Messiah through word and power.**

*Acts 2:22* “Men of Israel, hear these words: Jesus of Nazareth, a man attested to you by God with mighty works and wonders and signs that God did through him in your midst, as you yourselves know—

**2. Jesus accomplished God’s plans and purposes through his suffering & death.**

*Acts 2:23* this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men. Jesus’ resurrection is foundational to the life of his followers

**JESUS’ RESURRECTION IS FOUNDATIONAL TO THE LIFE OF HIS FOLLOWERS**

*Acts 2:24* God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by it.

**1. The Old Testament points to the promise of a resurrected messiah.**

*Is. 53:10* Yet it was the will of the LORD to crush him; he has put him to grief; when his soul makes an offering for guilt, he shall see his offspring; he shall prolong his days; the will of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.

*Psa. 16:8* I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be shaken. 9 Therefore my heart is glad, and my whole being rejoices; my flesh also dwells secure. For you will not abandon my soul to Sheol, or let your holy one see corruption. 11 You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

**2. The early believers understood the importance of the resurrection because...****a. ...they SAW the risen Jesus!**

*Acts 2:32* This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses. Jesus’ resurrection establishes our magnetic new quality of life.

**b. ...they rightly interpreted the OT.**

*Acts 2:29* “Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. 30 Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, 31 he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption.

## NOTES:

**JESUS' RESURRECTION ESTABLISHES OUR MAGNETIC NEW QUALITY OF LIFE.**

**Because of the resurrection...**

**1. ...our suffering becomes “ afeature, not a bug” – revealing Jesus to the world.**

*2 Cor. 4:7 But we have this treasure in jars of clay, to show that the surpassing power belongs to God and not to us. 8 We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; 9 persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; 10 always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. 11 For we who live are always being given over to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh.*

**2. ...our hope is secure – enabling us to proclaim his grace and Kingdom in a widening circle.**

*2 Cor. 4:13 Since we have the same spirit of faith according to what has been written, “I believed, and so I spoke,” we also believe, and so we also speak, 14 knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. 15 For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.*

**3. ...our inward renewal is certain – fortifying us to endure well.**

*2 Cor. 4:16 So we do not lose heart. Though our outer self is wasting away, our inner self is being renewed day by day. 17 For this light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison 18 as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal.*

**REVIEW/DISCUSS/APPLY**

- 1. Read through and meditate on 2 Corinthians 4:7-18 each day this week. Identify circumstances in your life that might distract you from, or deceive you against the truths communicated in this passage? What positives effects can you expect to see in your own life/witness when you hold fast to the promises associated with the resurrection of Jesus?
- 2. Read and re-read Acts 2:22-24 this week as we prepare for the celebration of Easter. Memorize these verses – with the goal of comprehension. Think through each phrase/statement made in these verses and the incredible truth they convey.

**SONGS**

- This is Amazing Grace
- Hosanna (Praise is Rising)
- Jesus Paid it All
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Weekly Giving: .....	\$11,069
Weekly Need:.....	\$12,300
YTD Giving:.....	\$117,203
YTD Need:.....	\$147,600
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