Acts 2:14-41: PETER'S MESSAGE ON THE DAY OF PENTECOST

The "speaking in tongues" (foreign languages) had achieved a valuable purpose in attracting the crowd of multinational Jews that gathered around the disciples in the outer court of the Temple. Thousands gather. Peter uses this opportunity to witness to Christ, the first Apostolic message in the New Testament.

I. <u>2:14-21</u>, Peter Explains the Tongues Phenomena

"This is what ______ spoke of in ______." "This is evidence of the power of the ______ spoken of in Joel, not fulfillment to the letter."

II. <u>2:22-36</u>, Peter Proclaims Jesus as Lord and Messiah Note that this is the crux of Peter's message: compare v. 22 and 36

A. v. 22-31, Rehearsal of the Ministry, Death, & Resurrection of Christ

<u>Contextual Key</u>: the 1st problem for the Jewish mind: HOW COULD MESSIAH, KING OF ISRAEL, BE A CRUCIFIED MAN?

Peter's 4-fold answer:

- 1. v. 22, Jesus of Nazareth was ______ of God

 How? By ______, ____, & _____ (cmp. 2 Thess. 2:9)
- v. 23, Jesus of Nazareth was ______ by God. When determined? Compare Rev. 13:8 ; Heb. 13:20. God's Sovereignty & Human Responsibility in the death of Jesus!

3. V .24, Jesus of Nazareth was _____ by God.

4. v. 25-31, O.T. proof: David prophesied this in Psalm 16:8-11.

B. v. 32-36 Proclamation that Jesus is the Resurrected Messiah

<u>Contextual Key</u>: the 2nd problem for the Jewish mind: IF JESUS IS THE RESURRECTED MESSIAH, WHY IS HE NOT NOW RULING OVER ISRAEL ON DAVID'S THRONE?

1. v. 32-33, Jesus as Messiah & Lord is now _____ at the right hand of _____.

- 2. v. 34-35, Jesus as Messiah & Lord is waiting for "Operation Footstool" (then He will rule on David's throne). Support: David's prophecy in Psalm 110:1 (compare Mt. 22:41-46).
- 3. v. 36, <u>CONCLUSION</u>: "Jesus, whom you crucified is made by God both Lord (God) and Christ (Messiah)."

III. 2:37-41 The Results

3,000 Jews from 16 different countries get saved and are baptized!