Sermon Discussion Guide:

Peter's 1st Sermon Pt. 2 (Death and Resurrection)

Sunday, February 20, 2022 Scripture: **Acts 2:22–36**

Series: The Spirit & The Church

OVERVIEW

Who do you believe Jesus is? This is the most important question that every person must consider. Without exception, this defines who they are and ultimately decides their destiny. Not only does this question matter, but what we teach about Jesus matters as well. Opinions on the person and work of Jesus Christ don't have the power to build God's earthly kingdom and rescue a dying world. Instead, **the** *knowledge* **of Christ is what saves us and unites us**.

CORROBORATING TEXTS

Matthew 16:13-17; Matthew 10:28; Romans 5:6-8; Isaiah 53:5,6; 1 Corinthians 1:23, 2:2, 15:3-7; Revelation 1:18; 1 Corinthians 15:17; Philippians 2:5-11; Romans 10:9; Colossians 1:15-20

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. There are many diverse thoughts on the question Who do you believe Jesus is? What are some responses that you have heard? How have you responded to "incorrect" answers?
- 2. **We believe in the Historical Jesus.** Just like those listening to Peter, non-believers in the 21st century must decide what to do about Jesus. How can you help non-believing family, friends, neighbors, and co-workers rightly process the reality of Jesus?
- 3. We believe in the Crucified Jesus. Read Matthew 20:28, Romans 5:6-8; and Isaiah 53:5,6. What is the impact and the result of the "for" in these passages? What role do you have in Christ's sacrifice? Why is understanding the reason for Christ's sacrifice critical to truly knowing Jesus?
- 4. **We believe in the Risen Jesus.** Why is Christ's resurrection so vitally important for our confession and the Gospel? How can we be so confident in Christ's resurrection?
- 5. **We believe in the Exalted Jesus.** How does knowing that Jesus is exalted at the right hand of God possessing all authority over his kingdom help you live a holy, righteous, and obedient life?
- 6. **We believe in the Lord Jesus.** Jesus is Lord over all, and, as his disciple, he is Lord over you. Read Colossians 1:15-20, and reflect on His Lordship. How do your actions, words, and thoughts evidence that Jesus is Lord? What areas of your life could use an adjustment?

