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28 February 2021

Sermon Summary

Mission: Possible! - Acts 2:14-41 (Andrew Cox)

(Answers at the end)

The 1 Degree Rule: What can I do this week to raise my _____(1)_____ temperature by 1 degree?

Acts: *"The Continuing Words and Deeds of Jesus by his Spirit through his Apostles"* - John Stott

We are inheritors of this message, inheritors of this mission - and it's not _____(2)_____!

1. The Power of the Spirit

The Spirit comes upon the disciples at Pentecost. Peter explains what is happening to the crowd. Principle: Use a _____(3)_____ to get into conversation

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Dreams

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Journaling - Meaning - Community

Chat to your neighbour: *Have you had a significant dream perhaps from God or something else that you can recall?*

The Spirit-empowered life

"Jesus, take the wheel"

"Give me gas in my tank, keep me driving."

"Thy word is a lamp unto my __(4)___ and a light unto my __(5)___."

God Spirit empowers us and guides us through God's Word but we do the driving.

2. The Story of the Son

What do you learn about Jesus in Peter's sermon?

This is the gospel message. This is what we can share with our friends as well. One of the most fun things we can do is invite a friend to read the Bible with us. For example, read the gospel of Mark or one of the longer ones. As you read together, invite them to answer the Swedish questions: What do you ___(6)___? What ___(7)___ do you have? What ___(8)___ is there to take?

Notice the use of ___(9)___ in Peter's message. Principle: Know your audience so you can connect with them and adapt your message to suit their ___(10)___ and ___(11)___.

God's ___(12)___ in Peter's preaching. Peter makes it clear that it was God's plan from the beginning.

3. The Growth of the Church

The people were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the other apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" (37)

Peter calls on them to ___(13)___ and be ___(14)___. The book of Acts makes it clear that baptism is part and parcel of conversion. If you are not baptised, do so! Plus the preparation course, ACPC 101.

Peter's confession and Jesus' response - Matthew 16:13-20. Then comes Peter's epic fail, his restoration and transformation. As a result of this message, 3000 people believe and the church is underway. It never looks back.

Christ is still ___(15)___ his church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. And we are a part of it!

Questions

1. Read Acts 2:14-41. Notice how Peter introduces the sermon. What might be a creative way to capture people's interest in what you have to say?
2. Have you had a significant dream perhaps from God or something else that you can recall? Share your experience.
3. How does God's Spirit show us the way to go and help us get there?
4. Read through Peter's sermon and note what you learn about Christ. Do you have someone you could invite to read a gospel with you?
5. How important is baptism for the Christian? What is your baptism experience? If you haven't been baptised yet, what is holding you back? Talk further with your group leader or pastor if appropriate.

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