





# SAVE YOURSELVES

ACTS 2:36-40

# OUR CONDITION

- **Acts 2:40** – We are in need of salvation from this perverse generation
  - Perverse – crooked, curved, bent

# OUR CONDITION

- As a result of disobedience there will be punishment and destruction
  - **Colossians 3:6** – God's wrath is coming upon those who are disobedient
  - **2 Thessalonians 1:7-10** – The destruction will ultimately come in the form of eternal destruction

# OUR CONDITION

- This is not a new or foreign concept
  - **Jude 5-7** – Those who are disobedient will be destroyed
    - No matter who are what you are
      - God's children (Israel), Angels, or in Sodom and Gomorrah

# OUR CONDITION

- All have put themselves in this position
  - **Romans 3:23** – All have made the choice to sin
    - **1 John 3:4** – Sin is lawlessness
      - All have made the choice to do something not according to God's word
  - **Isaiah 59:1-2** – Sin separates one from God
  - **Romans 6:23** – Sin brings about death

# THE OPPORTUNITY OF SALVATION

- **Acts 2:36** – Jesus is both Lord and Christ
- **Acts 2:38** – Through Jesus there is remission of sins
  - How?

# THE OPPORTUNITY OF SALVATION

- How?

- *Jesus is the perfect sacrifice*

- **Hebrews 10:4; 10; 14-22** – Jesus is the perfect sacrifice and through his sacrifice we can have assurance



# THE OPPORTUNITY OF SALVATION

- How?

- *Jesus is the propitiation for our sins*

- **1 John 4:9-10** – We have an opportunity to live through Him, because He is the propitiation for our sins

- Propitiation – Appeasement, expiation

# THE OPPORTUNITY OF SALVATION

- How?

- *Through the blood of Jesus there is redemption*

- **1 Peter 1:18-19** – We are redeemed because of the sacrifice of Jesus

- Redeemed – to release on receipt of ransom, to free by paying ransom

# THE OPPORTUNITY OF SALVATION

- **John 15:5** – Without me you can do nothing
  - You have no ability, no capability, no way to pay the debt of sin
  - You have no way to make your sin right – only the blood of Jesus can do that

# “SAVE YOURSELVES...”

- **Acts 2:38** – Repent and be baptized
  - Repent – to change one’s mind
    - **Acts 3:19** – Repent and be converted
    - Paul’s example of repentance
      - **Acts 9** Paul went from persecuting Christians to humbly asking, “what do you want me to do?”

# “SAVE YOURSELVES...”

- **Acts 2:38** – Repent and be baptized
  - Baptized – immerse (in water)
    - **1 Peter 3:21** – Baptism saves
      - In baptism we make an appeal toward God for a good conscience
        - **Hebrews 9:13-14** – The appeal is to the blood of Christ

# “SAVE YOURSELVES...”

- But what if you end up back in the perverse generation?
  - **1 John 1:9** – Confess your sins
  - **Acts 8:22** – Peter told Simon the Sorcerer to repent

# “SAVE YOURSELVES...”

- Will you, as Peter said, save yourself this day?
  - Your condition – separated from God
  - The opportunity of salvation – Made possible by the blood of Jesus
  - The plea to “save yourselves...” – Through repentance, baptism, and a continued walk with God



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