



## **Week 3 – What Does The Church Do?**

*ACTS 2:36-41*

<sup>36</sup>Let all the house of Israel therefore know for certain that God has made him both Lord and Christ, this Jesus whom you crucified."

<sup>37</sup>Now when they heard this they were cut to the heart, and said to Peter and the rest of the apostles, "Brothers, what shall we do?" <sup>38</sup>And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. <sup>39</sup>For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself." <sup>40</sup>And with many other words he bore witness and continued to exhort them, saying, "Save yourselves from this crooked generation." <sup>41</sup>So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.

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*DIVE INTO THE TEXT*

- In 2:37 they realize the weight of their sin and what is Peter’s response? It is to be baptized! What then is the promise to be received in baptism?
- Does someone need to be baptized to receive the Holy Spirit?
- What do you think it means that Peter says in vs. 39, “the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to himself?”

*WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR YOU?*

- If someone asked you, how do you talk about baptism and what it means?
- How can you remember your baptism this week and the promise given you?

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*WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR THE CHURCH?*

- How can we lead people to baptism?
- When we read about the mission of the church on the most basic level it’s simple: lead people to repentance and baptism. What things are so crucial we must keep doing or we might as well close our doors?
- What are things we do currently that aren’t necessary and we should reevaluate?
- After our world finds a ‘new normal’ what should be our highest ministry priorities?
- What do you want Immanuel to be known for? What is our unique place in God’s church?

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