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Today's Message: WE ARE HIS WITNESSES

(Act 10:34) Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons:

(Act 10:35) But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.

(Act 10:36) The word which God sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ: (he is Lord of all:)

(Act 10:37) That word, I say, ye know, which was published throughout all Judaea, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached; (Act 10:38) How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him. (Act 10:39) And we are witnesses of all things which he did both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew and hanged on a tree:

(Act 10:40) Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly;

(Act 10:41) Not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God, even to us, who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead.

(Act 5:32) And we are his witnesses of these things; and so is also the Holy Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.

(Act 10:42) And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead. (Act 10:43) To him give all the prophets witness, that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.

(Act 10:44) While Peter yet spake these words, the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word.

(Act 10:45) And they of the circumcision which believed were astonished, as many as came with Peter, because that on the Gentiles also was poured out the gift of the Holy Ghost.

(Act 10:46) For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God. Then answered Peter, (Act 10:47) Can any man forbid water, that these should not be baptized, which have received the Holy Ghost as well as we?

(Act 10:48) And he commanded them to be baptized in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days.

(Mat 28:18) And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

(Mat 28:19) Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: (Mat 28:20) Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen. (Mk 16:15-20; Lu 24:46-49; Ac 1:8; 2:4)

(Act 4:33) And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all.

"Great power" is the distinguishing characteristic of apostolic preaching and witness (cf. Ac 1:8) for three reasons:

(1) Apostolic witness was based on God's Word (Ac 4:29) and the conviction that it was given by the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.

- (2) The disciples were conscious that they had been sent and commissioned by Jesus Christ Himself, the resurrected Lord.
- (3) The Holy Spirit through the disciples brought great conviction upon those who heard the gospel concerning personal sin, the righteousness of Christ, and the judgment of God (Joh 16:8).

REPENT, AND BE BAPTISED

(Act 2:38) Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

UNTO YOU... YOUR CHILDREN... TO ALL

(Act 2:39) For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call.

THIS UNTOWARD GENERATION

(Act 2:40) And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saying, Save yourselves from this untoward generation.

No one can be saved who does not turn away from the perversity and corruption of the world (cf. Lu 9:41; 11:29; 17:25; Php 2:15).

- 1. Break off from evil companions,
- 2. Forsake ungodly world,

- 3. Unite to Christ,
- 4. Unite with God's people,
- 5. Give themselves to God's work.

(2Co 6:14) Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? (2Co 6:15) And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?

(2Co 6:16) And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

(2Co 6:17) Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, (2Co 6:18) And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.