

“The First Great Sermon of the Church”
Acts 2:14-40

I. The day of salvation has come (vs. 14-21).

- A. This was prophesied in the Old Testament.
- B. This was fulfilled by the giving of the Holy Spirit.

(Joel 2:28-32)

II. Jesus Christ was raised from the dead (vs. 22-28).

- A. The penalty of sin (death) had to be paid.
- B. Jesus’ victory over death proves that He is the Son of God.

(Psalm 16:8-11; Ezekiel 18:4; Luke 7:16; 11:20; Acts 17:30-31; Hebrews 2:14-15)

III. God has exalted Jesus as the King of kings (vs. 29-36).

- A. God promised that He would establish David’s throne forever.
- B. That promise is fulfilled by Jesus Christ.

(2 Samuel 7:16; Psalm 110:1; 132:11; Matthew 22:41-42; Mark 12:35-37)

IV. Everyone must repent and place their faith in Jesus (vs. 37-40).

Scripture References

Joel 2:28-32

²⁸“And it shall come to pass afterward That I will pour out My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your old men shall dream dreams, Your young men shall see visions. ²⁹And also on *My* menservants and on *My* maidservants I will pour out My Spirit in those days. ³⁰“And I will show wonders in the

heavens and in the earth: Blood and fire and pillars of smoke. ³¹ The sun shall be turned into darkness, And the moon into blood, Before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD. ³² And it shall come to pass *That* whoever calls on the name of the LORD Shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be deliverance, As the LORD has said, Among the remnant whom the LORD calls.

Luke 11:20

But if I cast out demons with the finger of God, surely the kingdom of God has come upon you.

Luke 7:16

Then fear came upon all, and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen up among us"; and, "God has visited His people."

Psalms 16:8-11

⁸ I foresaw the Lord always before my face; for he is on my right hand, that I should not be moved. ⁹ Therefore my heart rejoiced and my tongue exulted; moreover also my flesh shall rest in hope: ¹⁰ because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. ¹¹ Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou wilt fill me with joy with thy countenance: at thy right hand *there are* delights for ever.

Acts 18:4

"Behold, all souls are Mine; The soul of the father As well as the soul of the son is Mine; The soul who sins shall die.

Hebrews 2:14-18

¹⁴ Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, ¹⁵ and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage. ¹⁶ For indeed He does not give aid to angels, but He does give aid to the seed of Abraham. ¹⁷ Therefore, in all things He had to be made like *His* brethren, that He might be a merciful and faithful High Priest in things *pertaining* to God, to make propitiation for the sins of the people. ¹⁸ For in that He Himself has suffered, being tempted, He is able to aid those who are tempted.

Acts 17:30-31 (NASB)

³⁰ Therefore having overlooked the times of ignorance, God is now declaring to men that all *people* everywhere should repent, ³¹ because He has fixed a day in which He will judge the world in righteousness through a Man whom He has appointed, having furnished proof to all men by raising Him from the dead."

Matthew 22:41-42

⁴¹ While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, ⁴² saying, "What do you think about the Christ? Whose Son is He?" They said to Him, "*The Son* of David."

Psalms 132:11

The LORD has sworn *in* truth to David; He will not turn from it: "I will set upon your throne the fruit of your body.

2 Samuel 7:16

And your house and your kingdom shall be established forever before you. Your throne shall be established forever." " "

Psalms 110:1

The LORD said to my Lord, "Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool."

Mark 12:35-37

³⁵ Then Jesus answered and said, while He taught in the temple, “How *is it* that the scribes say that the Christ is the Son of David? ³⁶ For David himself said by the Holy Spirit: ‘The LORD said to my Lord, “Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool.” ’ ³⁷ Therefore David himself calls Him ‘Lord’; how is He *then* his Son?” And the common people heard Him gladly.

*Unless otherwise noted, all Scriptures are from the New King James Version.