



Power From on High

Series: Power From On High.
Title: Paul's First Sermon, Part 2
Lesson: 71

Text: Acts 13:24-41
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Outline for Acts 13:16-41

1. Survey of Israel's history - 13-23
2. _____ that Jesus is the Messiah (24-37)

24 after John had proclaimed before His coming a baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel.

Malachi 3:1 "Behold, I am going to send My messenger, and he will clear the way before Me. And the Lord, whom you seek, will suddenly come to His temple; and the messenger of the covenant, in whom you delight, behold, He is coming," says the Lord of hosts.

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"people of Israel"

25 “And while John was completing his course, he kept saying, ‘What do you suppose that I am? I am not He. But behold, one is coming after me the sandals of whose feet I am not worthy to untie.’

“But behold”

26 “Brethren, sons of Abraham’s family, and those among you who fear God, to us the message of this salvation has been sent.

Paul anticipated questions.

27 “For those who live in Jerusalem, and their rulers, recognizing neither Him nor the utterances of the prophets which are read every Sabbath, fulfilled these by condemning Him.

“utterances of the prophets”

_____ of Scripture breeds wrong and unrealistic expectations.

False religion _____ they way of salvation.

“fulfilled these by condemning Him”

Isaiah 53:3 He was despised and forsaken of men, A man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; And like one from whom men hide their face He was despised, and we did not esteem Him.

28 "And though they found no ground for putting Him to death, they asked Pilate that He be executed.

29 "When they had carried out all that was written concerning Him, they took Him down from the cross and laid Him in a tomb.

Prophecies that were fulfilled on the cross were

1. That Messiah would be a reproach, one at whom the people wagged their heads. (Ps. 109:25; Matt. 27:39);
2. That the crowds at the crucifixion site would stare at Him (Ps. 22:17; Luke 23:35)
3. That His executioners would divide His clothing among themselves by lot. (Ps. 22:18; John 19:23-24).
4. That He would be given vinegar and gall for His thirst. Psalm 69:21; Matthew 27:34
5. That He would cry "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" Psalm 22:1; Matthew 27:46

6. That He would say "Father, into Thy hands I commit My spirit" Psalm 31:5; Luke 23:46
7. That His executioners did not break any of His bones. Psalm 34:20; John 19:33
8. That His side would be pierced by a spear. Zechariah 12:10; John 19:34
9. That He would be crucified. Psalm 22:1-31/ Nu.21:1-9

“they”

30 **“But God** raised Him from the dead;

31 and for many days He appeared to those who came up with Him from Galilee to Jerusalem, the very ones who are now His witnesses to the people.

1 Corinthians 15:6 After that He appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time, most of whom remain until now, but some have fallen asleep;

32 “And we preach to you the good news of the **promise made to the fathers,**

Paul’s first validation of the resurrection - Psalm 2:7

33 that God has fulfilled this promise to our children in that He raised up Jesus, as it is also written in the second Psalm, ‘You are My Son; today i have begotten You.’

Paul’s second validation of the resurrection - Isiah 55:3

34 “As for the fact that He raised Him up from the dead, no longer to return to decay, He has spoken in this way: ‘I will give you the holy and sure blessings of David.’

Paul’s third validation of the resurrection - Psalm 16;10

35 “Therefore He also says in another Psalm, ‘You will not allow Your Holy One to undergo **decay.**’ 36 “For David, after he had served the purpose of God in his own generation, fell asleep, and was laid among his fathers and underwent **decay;** 37 but He whom God **raised** did not undergo **decay.**

3. An _____ to accept Jesus (38-39)

38 “Therefore) let it be known to you, brethren, that through Him forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you,

39 and through Him everyone who believes is freed from all things, from which you could not be freed through the Law of Moses.

Romans 3:19–23 Now we know that whatever the Law says, it speaks to those who are under the Law, so that every mouth may be closed and all the world may become accountable to God; 20 because by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified in His sight; for through the Law comes the knowledge of sin.

James 2:10 For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles in one point, he has become guilty of all.

21 But now apart from the Law the righteousness of God has been manifested, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, 22 even the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all those who believe; for there is no distinction; 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

4. Warning of _____

40 “Therefore take heed, so that the thing spoken of in the Prophets may not come upon you:

Psalm 2:12 Do homage to the Son, that He not become angry, and you perish in the way, For His wrath may soon be kindled. How blessed are all who take refuge in Him!

41 ‘Behold, you scoffers, and marvel, and perish; For I am accomplishing a work in your days, A work which you will never believe, though someone should describe it to you.’ ”

Principles of giving the gospel:

1. Spirit empowered preaching will exalt the glory of God by drawing attention to God’s supremacy. .

2. Don’t soften the gospel to make it more

_____, therefore, more successful

A. Don’t avoid the essential truths of Christ’s death, burial, and _____.

B. Don't avoid the unpleasant truths of SIN and

_____.

C. Don't avoid arousing _____.

Discussion Guide

1. How will you help with our two fund raisers?

2. Why is ignorance of God's word so dangerous? What has been your experience with others who don't know God's Word?

What wrong expectations have you noticed?

3. There is a lot of evidence that the resurrection is real. What evidence do we see in Paul's sermon?

4. What is the Davidic Covenant? Look up and discuss the following verses: 2 Samuel 7; 1 Chronicles 17:11-14; 2 Chronicles 6:16; 2 Samuel 7:10, 12-13;

5. Review points A-C in the implication section and discuss why they are so important.

ANSWERS: Evidence, Ignorance, blinds, invitation, judgment, appealing, resurrection, sin, judgment, guilt