

Our Fundamental Motivation

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Text: Acts 2:29-36, NIV

The Early Church's Fundamental Conviction

- Jesus is _____ because of His _____.
- The resurrection became the center of their _____.

The Basics of Lordship

- How NT _____ used the term Lord.
- For the early church, the term Lord was no _____.
 - Lord was a term of _____.
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The Implications of Lordship

- Confessing Jesus as Lord acknowledges _____.
- Confessing Jesus as Lord is a commitment to a _____.
 - *"Discipleship is a progressive and systematic rearranging of one's life to become like Christ"* (Dallas Willard).
- Confessing Jesus as Lord is a shift in _____.

Life Enrichment

What about today's sermon challenged, disturbed, or encouraged you?

- Do you find listening to political candidates' speeches informative, irritating, boring, painful, or something else? Why?
- When Peter reached the climax of his sermon in Acts 2, what was he calling for – religious reformation, moral transformation, or fundamental revolution? Why?
- What was the fundamental conviction of the Early Church?
- Why do you think that conviction motivated them so deeply?
- How are resurrection and Lordship connected? How do they connect to the Church's mission?
- When we confess "Jesus is Lord of all," what are we committing to? How does it change our lives?
- What are some of people's primary allegiances?
- Why do you think a change of allegiance is so important for followers of Christ?
- How do the principles of ownership and a dedication to a life of discipleship form the way we relate and live?