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June 10, '92  
7:30.

Int. Titte chooses the word, "NEEDS" to hear. Many would put it "WANTS" to hear. May I interpose a possibility!!  
Titte: What the church needs to want to hear today? or better...

What "God" wants the church to hear today. sets the tone + attitude: I Pet. 5:6. Comfortable with that!

- ✓ Feel the need to define "church" in this message. Found in Acts 2 36-47.
- 1. Church starts out as "sinners" in need of Sal. <sup>36.</sup>
- 2. Sinners must be disturbed, upset + educated. <sup>37.</sup>
- 3. Sinners must be told there is an escape from sin, guilt of sin, consequences of sin. V. 38.
- 4. Sinners must come to "believe." V. 44.
- 5. Believers must repent + be Bap. <sup>no choice. not optional.</sup>
- 6. The saved committed themselves to regular + rewarding "togetherness" for God's purposes. V. 42. 44. 46. 47. <sup>all power. all world.</sup>

These "ecclesia" assemblers were the "church!"  
The Church = Bap. Believers committed to putting God, Christ + the Church first  
Matt. 22: 37-39. Matt. 6: 33. only one.  
Matt. 16: 18.



note: Rest of this message assumes I (2) am addressing those TO DAY who qualify for membership in the Kingdom in the same manner these sinners did on Pentecost A.D. 33, in Jer. <sup>1959</sup> ago.

Question: What did this first church want to hear then?

Assumption: "People" are the same generation to gen., so, I assume WE want to hear the same message they wanted to hear.

II Ans. They wanted to hear what "God" wanted them to hear!

A. Preachers oriented on WHAT to preach.  
⊗ II Tim. 4: 1-5. Only God's Word <sup>preaching</sup> members <sup>resp.</sup>  
II Tim. 2:25. The Word <sup>respon.</sup> one.  
II Tim. 3:16-17. Scriptures <sup>elders - deacons</sup> teach - parents...

III Included in the scriptures are the beauties + bounties in the Gospel. Gifts + Promises + Blessings galore?  
A. I Cor. 2:9. Eye - ear - --- the things!  
1. Matth. 6:33. Material blessings. Enough.  
2. Eph. 1:2-4. all Sp. contentment, security, hope and promises of God.  
⊗ II Pet. 1:2-4.

← Jesus wrapped it all up in one verse. John 10:10.  
close: a guarantee! ⊗ Gal. 5:22-26. Surrender! ← abundant !! ←