

# PURSUIING — OUR — MISSION

*When God Pierces Your Heart*

*Acts 2:14-41*



# Six clear markers that define Biblical preaching:

1. A life impacting sermon is bathed in prayer (1:14).
2. A life impacting sermon is empowered by the Holy Spirit (2:1-3).
3. A life impacting sermon is straight-forward (2:16-21).
4. A life impacting sermon is Bible-based (2:16ff).
5. A life impacting sermon is Christ-centered (2:22-36).
6. A life impacting sermon is personally relevant (2:22-36).

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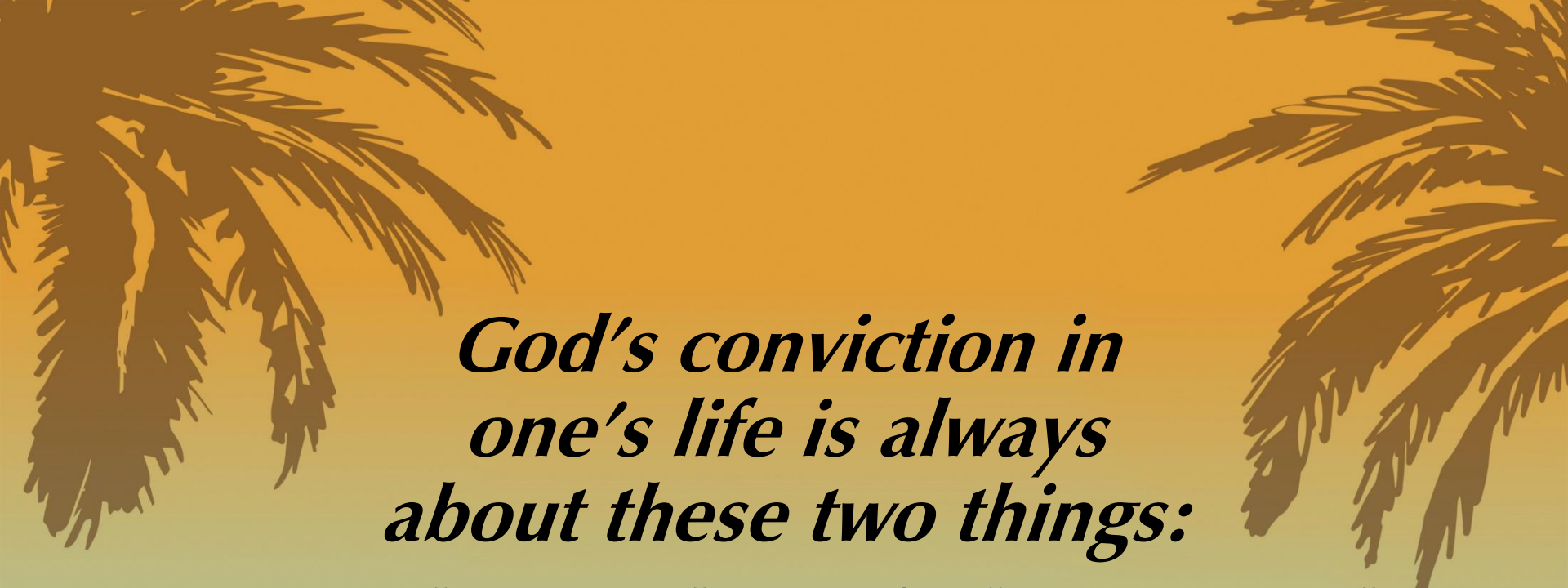
**1. Deep Conviction (v. 37)**

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*“pierced to the heart”*

CONVICTION

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*God's conviction in  
one's life is always  
about these two things:*

- 1) An understanding of what we've done*
- 2) An understanding of what it means*





**“The more I tried to do right,  
the more I realized how sinful  
and unable to deal with my  
own sin.”**

**“[When I] asked Jesus to  
forgive my sins – to surrender.  
I totally understood what  
surrender means ... and  
confessed my sins...I heard  
almost an audible voice say,  
“You are forgiven.” I felt like a  
huge load came off of my  
back. I could fly. It was a  
glorious moment”**

**Yoh Shirato**

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# re·pent

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*verb*

Speaks of a change of purpose;  
of turning from sin to God

Complete and total reversal of  
my direction



# Is baptism linked with repentance? (v. 38)

1. Interpretation principle (*analogia scriptura*) – no passage when correctly interpreted, will teach something contradictory to the rest of Scripture (*John 1:12; John 3:16; Acts 16:31*).
2. After condemning the ritualistic religion of the scribes and Pharisees, Jesus would certainly not have instituted His own.
3. Throughout Acts, forgiveness is linked to repentance, not baptism.

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