

## Acts 2:24

*Christ Arose: Death was Powerless*

Christ was Raised from the Dead

Christ was Freed from Death's Pain

Christ Could NOT be Held by Death's Power

## Application of Acts 2:24

1. Consider the importance of Christ's resurrection in the gospel message throughout the book of Acts (e.g. Acts 3:11-19; 4:5-12; 5:29-32; 10:34-43; 13:26-39; 17:1-3, 22-34; 26:19-23).
  - a. Why is this truth so important to the gospel message?
2. From a negative perspective, especially in comparison to the freedom of life on earth, how is death a place of captivity and suffering? See Job 10:21-22; 18:14; Pss. 6:5; 18:4-5; 116:3; 1 Cor 15:26.
3. Because Jesus is God and because God is life, why did this make it impossible for Jesus to be held by death's power? See John 1:3-4; 5:26; 10:17-18; 11:25; Acts 3:15.
4. Because Jesus is sinless, why couldn't He be held by death's power? See Gen 2:17; Rom 5:12; 6:23; 2 Cor 5:21; Heb 4:15; 7:26; 1 Pet 2:22
5. Because Jesus isn't a liar and because He predicted His resurrection and future return, why couldn't He be held by death's power? See Matthew 12:40; 16:4, 21; 20:17-19; Mark 8:31; 9:31; 10:33-34; Luke 9:22; 11:30; 18:31-33; John 2:18-22; 14:1-3.
6. Because God is faithful, why couldn't Jesus be held by death's power? See Is 53:10; Ps 22:22; Ps 16:8-11 (cf. Luke 24:41-46; John 20:9; Acts 17:1-3; 26:22-23; 1 Cor 15:4).
7. Consider these other reasons why **Christ could not be held by death's power**: Jesus promised to send the Holy Spirit, He defeated the devil, our justification depends on His resurrection, He is our intercessor, and His resurrection guarantees our resurrection.
8. How do all these truths increase your awe for who Christ is and grow your assurance of the certainty and necessity of Christ's resurrection? Spend time in thanks and praise as you reflect on the reality and blessings of Christ's resurrection!

Reading this week: Read Peter's sermon in Acts 2 as you reflect on this week's message and read Matt 4:1-11 ahead of next Sunday.

## Sermon Notes for Children (or Children at Heart)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Pastor \_\_\_\_\_

<u>Book</u>	<u>Sermon Main Points</u>  <i>Christ _____: Death was _____</i>  Christ was R_____ from the _____  Christ was F_____ from Death's P_____  Christ Could NOT be H_____ by Death's P_____	<u>Other Bible References:</u> _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____ _____
<u>Chapter</u>		
<u>Verses</u>		

### Words you heard during the sermon (tally each time)

God/Yahweh/ Father	Christ/Jesus/Lord	Alive/Life	Death/Dead	Impossible/ Not Possible	Resurrection/Raised

What is the message about? \_\_\_\_\_

How can you do this? \_\_\_\_\_

What/who can you pray for? \_\_\_\_\_

Draw a picture related to the message: