Sermon Series: Acts The Church on Fire

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Acts 4:1-12 The Name of Jesus Christ

*There's no resurrection without Christ, there's no change of life without Christ, there's no salvation without Christ (This is the hope of Christ)

=>Names are special to us (babies, etc)//The Names of Jesus from different languages

*Only the name of Jesus can save

I. A Challenge to our beliefs [Beliefs]

- A. Sadducees came upon
- B. Proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection
- C. In custody because it was evening
- D. 5,000 men believed
- E. Our values and lives are based on our beliefs

II. A Challenge to our authority [Power and Authority]

- A. The priestly family
 - 1. Annas, the high priest (removed by Rome)
 - 2. Caiaphas, son-in-law (placed by Rome)
 - 3. John: Jonathan, son?
 - 4. Other priestly family
- B. What Power and what name
 - 1. Genesis 1:1 = God created
 - 2. Ezekiel 18:4 = All souls are mine...
- C. We are accountable to obey the one with power and authority in our lives.

III. Our only hope for salvation [Salvation]

- A. Why are we being examined? (Clarified what they wanted to know)
- B. The name of Jesus Christ healed this man
- C. Who is this Jesus Christ?
 - 1. Crucified by you
 - 2. Whom God raised from the dead
 - 3. The cornerstone
 - 4. Only name with power and authority to save man
- D. How are we saved?
 - 1. Christ was crucified b/c of our sin
 - 2. God raised Him from the dead

- 3. Christ is the standard of righteousness to meet
- 4. We must be under His name (power and authority) to be saved

IV. Live it Out

- A. Do you trust anything other than or along with Christ for salvation?
- B. Who is the power and authority in your life?
- C. Are you under the name of Christ?
- V. Only the name of Jesus can save.