## "What Shall I Do?" Human Responsibility in Acts June 6, 1992 H. Van Dyke Parunak

A. Acts 2:37-38 1. Audience: Jews at Pentecost 2. Preacher: Peter 3. v.37 "what shall we do?" 4. v.38 a) Repent b) Be baptized B. Acts 3:19 1. Audience: Jews observing healing of lame man 2. Preacher: Peter 3. No explicit question 4. Repent C. Acts 8a 1. Audience: Samaritans 2. Preacher: Philip 3. No question 4. 12, believe and baptize D. Acts 8b 1. Audience: Ethiopian Eunuch 2. Preacher: Philip 3. No question 4. 36, baptism (+ 37, belief) E. Acts 10 1. Audience: Cornelius and his household 2. Preacher: Peter 3. v.6, angel says that Peter will tell him "what thou oughtest to do." 4. v.43 Believe F. 13 1. Audience: Jews in Pisidian Antioch 2. Preacher: Paul 3. No explicit question 4. v.39 Believe G. 16 1. Audience: Philippian jailor 2. Preacher: Paul 3. 30, "What must I do to be saved?" 4. 31 Believe (+ was baptized) H. Acts 17 1. Audience: Athenians 2. Preacher: Paul 3. No explicit question

4. 30 "God ... commands all men everywhere to repent."

- I. Acts 20
  - 1. Audience: Jews and Greeks
  - 2. Preacher: Paul
  - 3. No exp. q'n
  - 4. 21
    - a) Repentance toward God
    - b) Faith toward the LJC
- J. Acts 22
  - 1. Audience: Saul of Tarsus
  - 2. Preacher: Ananias
  - 3. 10 "It shall be told thee of all things which are appointed for thee to do."
  - 4. 16 "Be baptized, and call on the name of the Lord."
- K. Acts 26
  - 1. Audience: King Agrippa
  - 2. Preacher: Paul
  - 3. No explicit question
  - 4. 20, Paul message:
    - a) Repent
    - b) Turn to God
    - c) Do works meet for repentance
- L. 1 Thess. 1:9
  - 1. turn to God = belief
  - 2. turn from idols = repentance
  - 3. serve God = practical obedience -> Baptism
- M. A defining text for each of the three:
  - 1. Repentance, turning from sin: 2 Cor. 7:8-10
  - 2. Faith, trusting in Christ: Phil. 3:8,9
  - 3. Baptism, first step of obedience, and symbol of DBR: Rom. 6.