

God's Love: Listening for It. Learning about It

Buddy Royston · Sunday, August 30, 2026

Scripture: Acts 2:24-28, 36-41

Summary

Following Jesus is not a private possession: love received in the heart is meant to come out of the mouth, and we are seed planters, waterers, and harvesters who let the Holy Spirit step out—without owning another person's response.

Overview

Guest preacher Buddy Royston opens Acts 2—God raising Jesus from death's hold and David's path of life—and asks how we take Jesus into our hearts and live Him out. Love that stays locked inside misses the journey; it must reach the head and come out of the mouth. Listening for the Lord is the key: Buddy shares how God told him to love everybody and see people with Christ's love in his eyes. Courage is essential now—ask to pray, say Jesus' name, plant the seed—because if God can get Jesus to you, He can get Him through you. From a fishing pier with kids to Friday breakfasts with the homeless, we plant, water, or harvest while the Spirit does the work. Closing in Acts 2:36-41, Peter calls for repentance, baptism, and the gift of the Holy Spirit—love put in the heart so disciples put it out.

Key points

- Love received must move from heart to mouth; keeping Jesus private misses the journey
- Listening for the Lord is the key to a life that changes how you feel and love
- Courage is essential now—stand up for Jesus; don't be ashamed to say His name or pray
- "If I can get Jesus to you, I can get Him through you"—you're responsible for your response
- Plant the seed of God's love; sometimes we plant, water, or harvest—the Spirit does the rest
- Acts 2: repent, turn to God, be baptized, and receive the gift of the Holy Spirit
- When Jesus loves you He puts love in your heart so you can put it out as a disciple

Memorable lines

"If He stays in your heart and doesn't come out of your mouth, you're missing the journey."

"Are you walking with Him? Are you listening for Him? Listening is the key."

"If I can get Jesus to you, I can get Him through you."

"When Jesus loves you, He puts it in your heart so you can put it out."

"You want to plant the seed—God's love."

"If you really love Jesus, you won't be able to resist His power coming out of your mouth."

"Courage and Christianity is essential, particularly now."

Takeaway

This week, listen for God's love and refuse to keep Jesus as a private possession. Speak His name, plant seeds of love, and let the Holy Spirit step out through you—trusting Him with every response.

Source: Bay Point Church / YouTube (faster-whisper transcript)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qrS7S-9yisU>