

# **Sermon Series: “Close Encounters of the Divine Kind”**

## **The World Encounters Jesus**

Text: Acts 2:14-47

**Introduction:** *Nearly every generation of young adults dreams of changing the world and leaving it a better place than when they entered it. Opinions often differ on how best to bring about that change. Before returning to heaven, Jesus left his followers with a very clear plan on how to change the world. What happened when the world encountered Jesus Christ in the First Century, is still possible when the world encounters Jesus Christ in the Twenty First Century.*

### **I. A Time of Great \_\_\_\_\_ vs.40**

Acts 1:8; John 16:6-9,12-14 “The Gift”  
Deuteronomy 7:7; 4:38; 9:1; 20:1 Israel Chosen by God  
Genesis 12:1-3; Isaiah 42:6&7; Psalm 33:12  
Isaiah 5:20; II Timothy 3:1-9  
Matthew 5:14-16

### **II. Demands a Clearly Spoken \_\_\_\_\_ vss.14-40**

Matt.14:25-30; Mark 14:27-31; 45-50; 66-71; John 18:15-27  
Matt.27:25; Acts 2:36&37  
Hebr.4:12; Isaiah 55:10-13; II Timothy 3:16&17; I Cor.13:7-9  
Isaiah 30:21

### **III. Leading to a Divinely Blessed \_\_\_\_\_ vss.41-47**

I John 2:6; John 20:20,27  
Acts 3:2; 4:4; 6:7; 8:1 (John 15:20)  
John 12:32

**Conclusion:** Acts 20:24; I Corinthians 15:58