

ACTS

Bible Study

2018-2019



Lesson: 1

Acts 1

Restoring the Kingdom

Read this week's scripture and answer the questions below. As you read, consider how these verses fit into what you are seeing or experiencing today. Prepare to share with your small group anything that jumped out at you, confused you, encourage you, challenged or convicted you. Then take some time to read and meditate on the psalm of the week.

1. Before you read chapter 1, ask God to help you not only understand but to live out this week's lesson as revealed in the word. Read all of Acts Chapter 1.
2. Read verse 1. The writer's, "former book" is the Gospel of Luke. Reflect on what we know about Jesus' life from the Gospels. Recall who He is. Let these thoughts lead you into prayer and worship.
3. Consider verses 2-3. Let these verses sink in: the resurrected Jesus! Consider what Jesus has done. Take time to think through the implications of this miracle...again let this lead you prayer and worship.
4. Think on verses 4-6. What does Jesus say to the disciples? What is their response? Consider the distance between their concerns. Is there a circumstance where Jesus could be working in the waiting? Bring this concern to him today.
5. Consider verse 7. Jesus sets a limit on the disciples' understanding. Sit with this for a moment. In what ways are we inclined to depend on our own understanding rather than trusting in the Father's authority? Bring this wrestling to the Lord today.
6. Spend some time with Verse 8. Jesus outlines his Kingdom's advance: Spirit-empowered believers sent out to bring hope, justice and shalom to a hurting world. Pray for the power of the spirit to be at work in you and in the world.
7. Take a Look at verse 14. Jesus disciples gather to pray constantly. Take honest measure of your prayer life. When and where do you pray? With whom and for whom do you pray? Pray today.

Notes/Prayer Request

ACTS 1:8

BUT YOU WILL RECEIVE POWER WHEN
THE HOLY SPIRIT HAS COME UPON YOU,
AND YOU WILL BE MY WITNESSES IN
JERUSALEM AND IN ALL JUDEA SAMARIA,
AND TO THE END OF THE EARTH.