



DISCUSSION GUIDE

WK 2: You Will Have Power

SERIES OVERVIEW

In the book of Acts, Luke chronicles the continued work of Jesus through His actions and what He taught. It highlights the spread of the Gospel through the work of the apostles, particularly focusing on Peter and Paul, and emphasizes the role of the Holy Spirit in guiding and empowering the believers. Major themes include the fulfillment of Jesus' mission, the growth of the church amidst persecution, and the inclusion of Gentiles into the Christian faith.

[Book of Acts Video Overview](#)

Watch as a group!

CONTEXT

In Acts 1:6-11, Jesus' disciples ask Him if He will restore the kingdom to Israel, to which He responds that it is not for them to know the times or seasons set by the Father. Jesus then ascends to heaven, and two angels appear, assuring the disciples that He will return in the same manner.

THE BIG IDEA

We don't retreat and wait for the Kingdom. We advance the Kingdom in the power of the Spirit until the day of Christ's return.

ICE BREAKER

As a church our vision for the year is Advance. What word or vision does God want you to go after in 2026? Is it big enough that you need the Holy Spirit to chase after it?

SCRIPTURE: Acts 1:6-11

6 So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7 He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. 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 and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

9 And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. 10 And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, 11 and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." n commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen.

STARTER

Take a moment to watch this 8 minute video overview of the Book of Acts: Chapters 1-12 [VIDEO](#). (If your group hasn't watched it)

As we begin our new sermon series, share what you know about the book of Acts? What would you like to learn more about in this series?



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GROUP DISCUSSION

What is one thing that stood out to you from the sermon and why do you think God wants you to remember this truth?

Read Acts 1:6-8 as a group.

In verse 6, what did the people want restoration to look like politically, their injustice and their rulers?

The Old Testament prophets linked the outpouring of God's Spirit to God restoring his people. According to Isaiah 61:1-2 and Jesus' own words in Luke 4:18-19, how would He restore the Kingdom?

In verse 8 Jesus says "you will be my witnesses", which is someone who provides testimony. What has Jesus done in your life that you can personally testify to as His witness of the Gospel?

What keeps you from sharing the Gospel with people you know or don't know? What role does the Holy Spirit play in your Gospel conversations?

Read Acts 1: 9-11 and Daniel 7:13-14. What is the significance of Luke testifying to the fulfillment of Daniel's prophesy about the ascension of Jesus? How does fulfilled prophecy strengthen your faith and give you courage to share the Good News of Jesus?

As we eagerly wait for Jesus' return, we must be his witness and testify to the truth about Him through both demonstration and proclamation. What is your next step to share Jesus with your ONE?

Discussion continued:

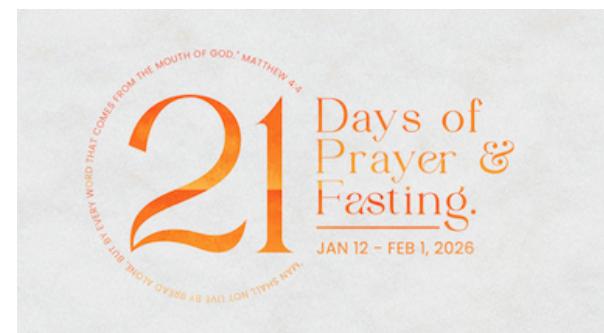
As Pastor James has shared how we will ADVANCE the mission in 2026, what are you most excited about?

PRAYER (In gender based groups)

*Share praises, answered prayers, and prayer requests.

*Pray and ask God what food He wants you to fast from during 21 Days of Prayer and Fasting. Share with your group what and who you will pray for during 21 Days.

*Pray for our Cass White Location and whether your family is to be a part of our newest location.



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