

The River Church

50/50 Bible Study Challenge – Year 2 week #3

Acts 1

Memory Verse: Acts 1:8 (NASB95): 8 but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.”

Talking points:

Verse 1-8

-When reading verse 1–3. What is the significance of the time frame?

-Where are some other places in the Bible does it give the same time frame?

-What parallels can we draw from these 3 verses?

-After reading 4-5. Why did Jesus gather them all together? Couldn't they have received the baptism of the Holy Spirit separately? What was the difference?

-Had anyone been baptized in the Holy Spirit up until that point?

-In verse 6 the questions the disciples ask says a lot about where their heads were at. How did their views differ from Jesus's?

-Are we still in danger of that as believers today?

In verse 7-8 Jesus gives them a word of correction and a word of prophecy.

-How can we apply the word of correction to our lives?

-How can we apply the prophecy of Jesus to our knowledge of Christianity today?

Verse 9-11

-Why did Jesus make a spectacle of his ascension? Many times, he would appear and disappear?

-What was the significance of the angels appearing?

-What prophetic words did the angels utter that is biblical truth that we wait for today?

Verse 12 -26

-What are some of the significant points in verse 14?

-Was Peter speaking on his own accord? Or was he empowered by the Holy Spirit?

-If the Holy Spirit was on the earth at that time and spoke through them. Why did they need to be baptized in the Holy Spirit? What's the difference?

-Why were they so matter of fact about Judas and his demise?

-Did the completion of the twelfth disciple need to happen before the Day of Pentecost? Explain your answer?

-Verse 21-22 states the prerequisite of a disciple? What were they? How did Paul fulfill that, Role?

-How did the Lord choose between the two? What can we learn from these verses?