



28 Days With Jesus In The Book of Acts (Days 1-7)

Day 1 (1.9.23)

Read Acts Chapter 1

Focus Verse: Acts 1:1-3 The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, **2** until the day in which [Ⓜ]He was taken up, after He through the Holy Spirit had given commandments to the apostles whom He had chosen, **3** to whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many [Ⓜ]infallible proofs, being seen by them during forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God.

Give Thanks/Praise for what Jesus has done. Jesus, we thank You and we give You praise. You, the innocent one who suffered for the guilty. Thank you for revealing Yourself to the apostles making it clear that You are truly alive! You are not in the grave anymore! We love you Jesus, the living Messiah.

Worship Jesus for who He is. Jesus, we worship You for being our wounded Savior. That You, even now, bear the marks of Your suffering in Your body. Jesus, we worship You for being our resurrected King. Jesus, we worship You for being our teacher and revealing the kingdom of God to us.

Pray/Intercede for what only Jesus can do. Jesus, we ask You to open the eyes of the lost. Jesus, reveal Yourself to the broken, the oppressed, the hurting, as the anointed one that heals, restores, forgives sins and saves.

Response Verse: Acts 1:6-8 Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" **7** And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. **8** But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be [Ⓜ]witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Teach us to live as witnesses for you everywhere we go. You are worthy of our entire lives.

Day 2 (1.10.23)
Read Acts Chapter 2

Focus Verse: Acts 2:23-33 This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses. **33** Therefore being exalted ^{to} the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, He poured out this which you now see and hear.

Give Thanks/Praise for what Jesus has done. Jesus, we praise You for laying your life down in obedience to the Father (John 10:18). Jesus, we thank You for pouring out the Holy Spirit, the promise of the Father!

Worship Jesus for who He is. Jesus, we worship You, the exalted One, seated at the right hand of God. We lift Your name high Jesus, the name above every name. We bow before You, we humble ourselves before You, the Lamb of God seated on the throne (Revelation 7:17).

Pray/Intercede for what He alone can do. Jesus, we pray for the grace to submit to Your leadership. Not only for ourselves but for the body of Christ in our city and beyond. Jesus, expose any idols we have in our lives, anything we have allowed on the throne of our hearts other than you. Jesus, we pray for greater dependency on the Holy Spirit, and for our sensitivity to the Holy Spirit to increase greatly.

Response Verse: Acts 2:38 Then Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the ^{to}remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Jesus we thank You for the gift of following You into the waters of baptism for the remission of our sins and for the privilege of receiving the gift of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Day 3 (1.11.23)
Read Acts Chapter 3

Focus Verse: Acts 3:14-16 But you denied the Holy One and the Just, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, **15** and killed the [a]Prince of life, whom God raised from the dead, of which we are witnesses. **16** And His name, through faith in His name, has made this man strong, whom you see and know. Yes, the faith which comes through Him has given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

Give Thanks/Praise for what Jesus has done. Jesus, thank You for enduring the shame of being denied by Your own people. Jesus, thank You for enduring the betrayal and disgrace of being rejected for a murderer. Jesus, we praise You for dying, and by dying, conquering death itself!

Worship Jesus for who He is. Jesus, we worship You, the Holy One forever. Jesus, we adore You, the Prince of Life. Jesus, we worship You through whom our faith comes. Jesus, we give ourselves to You. It is You alone who can bring us into perfect soundness.

Pray/Intercede for what He alone can do. Jesus, we pray for increased faith. We ask for You to strengthen our faith where it is weak. Jesus, we lift up family and friends who we know are struggling with doubt. As You are revealed in a fresh way, we pray for faith to be awakened in a powerful way.

Response Verse: Acts 3:19-23 Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord, **20** and that He may send [a]Jesus Christ, who was [b]preached to you before, **21** whom heaven must receive until the times of restoration of all things, which God has spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since [c]the world began. **22** For Moses truly said to the fathers, 'The Lord your God will raise up for you a Prophet like me from your brethren. Him you shall hear in all things, whatever He says to you. **23** And it shall be *that* every soul who will not hear that Prophet shall be utterly destroyed from among the people.'

Through repentance, turning to You, we embrace the forgiveness of our sins and the refreshing that comes in Your presence. We give our ears to hear You Jesus, knowing that from the beginning of the world all things have been pointing us to You.

Day 4 (1.12.23)
Read Acts Chapter 4

Focus Verse: Acts 4:10-12 Let it be known to you all, and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by Him this man stands here before you whole. **11** This is the 'stone which was rejected by you builders, which has become the chief cornerstone.' **12** Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

Give Thanks/Praise for what Jesus has done. Jesus, we give You thanks today for Your humanity. You lived in a real town. You have a real heritage; a real family. We praise You for the crucifixion that You experienced. We praise You for the nails in Your hands, the nails in Your feet, the suffocation You went through on the cross. Jesus, we thank You for being the stone that was rejected, and we praise You for becoming the chief cornerstone!

Worship Jesus for who He is. Jesus, we worship You for being our Salvation. We worship Your life. Jesus Christ of Nazareth, we worship Your name. Your name alone saves!

Pray/Intercede for what He alone can do. Jesus, would You remove any apathy or indifference in our hearts related to Your cross; related to Your suffering. Jesus, would You bring wholeness to our lives, to those around us. You alone can heal us and make us whole. We thank you that there is power in Your name!

Response Verse: Acts 4:29-31 Now, Lord, look on their threats, and grant to Your servants that with all boldness they may speak Your word, **30** by stretching out Your hand to heal, and that signs and wonders may be done through the name of Your holy Servant Jesus." **31** And when they had prayed, the place where they were assembled together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness.

Thank you, Jesus, for boldness. Help us to live it out daily with expectation for signs and wonders done by the power of Your Holy name!

Day 5 (1.13.23)
Read Acts Chapter 5

Focus Verse: Acts 5:29-32 But Peter and the *other* apostles answered and said: "We ought to obey God rather than men. **30** The God of our fathers raised up Jesus whom you murdered by hanging on a tree. **31** God exalted Him to His own right hand *to be* Prince and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. **32** And we are His witnesses to these things, and so also *is* the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey Him."

Give Thanks/Praise for what Jesus has done. Jesus, we praise You for becoming a curse on a tree, redeeming us from the curse of the law (Galatians 3:13). Jesus, we thank You that because of our faith in You we now have peace with God and are justified (Romans 5:1).

Worship Jesus for who He is. Jesus, we worship You, the Prince and Savior of our lives. Jesus, we worship You, the Prince and Savior of Israel. Jesus, we worship You, the forgiver of sins. Jesus, we worship You, the baptizer of the Holy Spirit.

Pray/Intercede for what He alone can do. Jesus, we pray that the eyes of Israel will be opened to see You as their redeemer. Jesus, we intercede for the salvation of Israel (Romans 10:1, 11:26). Jesus, we pray that Israel and Jews around the world would experience the revelation that You are the Prince and Savior they need. Give Your Church a heart for Your people Israel in this hour.

Response Verse: Acts 5:41-42 So they departed from the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer shame for ⁱⁿHis name. **42** And daily in the temple, and in every house, they did not cease teaching and preaching Jesus as the Christ.

Oh, that we would count it as worthy to suffer for Your name!

Day 6 (1.14.23)
Read Acts Chapter 6

Focus Verse: Acts 6:7 Then the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

Give Thanks/Praise for what Jesus has done. Jesus, we praise You for trusting Your followers to share Your word. Jesus, we thank You for choosing to advance Your gospel through the testimonies and faith of those who give their lives to You.

Worship Jesus for who He is. Jesus, we worship You, the one truly deserving of our obedience. Jesus, we worship You, the Lord of the harvest.

Pray/Intercede for what He alone can do. Jesus, we pray and intercede for those blinded by false religions, around the world and in our community to have the scales removed from their eyes. Jesus, we pray to You the Lord of the harvest, for a multiplication of disciples and disciples who make disciples. We pray specifically for Jerusalem, that the word of God would run swiftly (2 Thess. 3:1) and that the gospel would advance in Jerusalem like it did in Acts 6.

Response Verse: Acts 6:8-10 And Stephen, full of [a]faith and power, did great wonders and signs among the people. **9** Then there arose some from what is called the Synagogue of the Freedmen (Cyrenians, Alexandrians, and those from Cilicia and Asia), disputing with Stephen. **10** And they were not able to resist the wisdom and the Spirit by which he spoke.

May we be like Stephen and preach your gospel with boldness in the face of death. May we be filled with faith, power, executing great wonders and signs that bring You fame. May we be filled with so much wisdom and the power of Your Spirit that the revelation of who You are cannot be resisted!

Day 7 (1.15.23)
Read Acts Chapter 7

Focus Verse: Acts 7:54-56 When they heard these things they were ^lcut to the heart, and they gnashed at him with *their* teeth. **55** But he, being full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God, **56** and said, "Look! I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!"

Give thanks/Praise for what Jesus has done. Jesus, we praise You, the One in whose face the glory of God shines (2 Cor. 4:6). Jesus, thank You for filling us with Your Spirit that we might be able to stand in the face of persecution like Stephen in Acts 7, even unto death!

Worship Jesus for who He is. Jesus, we worship You for being our chief Apostle (Hebrews 3:1) and Great High Priest (Hebrews 4:14). Jesus, we worship You, the One we cry out to in order to avenge the blood of Your martyrs, those who give their lives for you (Revelation 6:10).

Pray/Intercede for what He can do alone. Jesus, we intercede for those around the world who face persecution daily for their faith in You. May they be comforted, filled with the peace of Your Kingdom. We pray that they, like Stephen, would be overcome by Your presence, their mouths filled with the gospel and the revelation of who You are to the very end! Through their witness and testimony may the world know that You are worth more than life itself. May Your Church grow like never before in the earth because of their blood.

Response Verse: Acts 7:59-60 And they stoned Stephen as he was calling on *God* and saying, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit." **60** Then he knelt down and cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not charge them with this sin." And when he had said this, he fell asleep.

May the sum of our lives testify of Your worth!