



28 Days With Jesus In The Book of Acts (Days 8-14)

Day 8 (1.16.23)

Read Acts Chapter 8

Focus Verse: Acts 8:32-35 This place in the Scripture which he read was this: "He was led as a sheep to the slaughter, and as a lamb before its shearer is silent, so He opened not His mouth. ³³In His humiliation His justice was taken away, and who will declare His generation? For His life is taken from the earth. ³⁴So the eunuch answered Philip and said, "I ask you, of whom does the prophet say this, of himself or of some other man?" ³⁵Then Philip opened his mouth, and beginning at this Scripture, preached Jesus to him.

Give Thanks/Praise for what Jesus has done. Jesus, we thank You for going to the cross as a sheep, as a lamb for us. We give You praise for being humiliated and having Your justice taken away. Jesus, thank You for suffering, not even opening Your mouth. We praise You for the price You paid. We praise You for the path You walked leading to Your death. Your death alone, Your blood alone, is able to save and redeem. We thank You for offering Your all for us.

Worship Jesus for who He is. We worship You, the suffering savior of whom Isaiah prophesied. You are the Messiah all the prophets foretold would come centuries before You became a man. We worship You for coming. We worship You for being the true and only savior whom the Scriptures declared would be sent by God. We worship You for being the man whom the Word of God preaches about on every page!

Pray/Intercede for what He alone can do. Jesus, we ask You to send Your Word through us to reveal Yourself to the lost and dying. We pray for the eyes of the nations to open like the Ethiopian eunuch's eyes were opened. We pray for the Spirit of evangelism to increase in Your church. We pray for the Spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of You to encounter the hearts of those seeking and desiring to know God.

Response Verse: Acts 8:36-37 Now as they went down the road, they came to some water. And the eunuch said, "See, here is water. What hinders me from being baptized?" ³⁷Then Philip said, "If you believe with all your heart, you may." And he answered and said, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God."

We expect to see converts baptized in water as You are revealed, Jesus; that they believe with their whole heart. We believe that You, Jesus Christ, are truly the Son of God.

Day 9 (1.17.23)
Read Acts Chapter 9

Focus Verse: Acts 9:15-16 But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen vessel of Mine to bear My name before Gentiles, kings, and the children of Israel. ¹⁶For I will show him how many things he must suffer for My name's sake.

Give Thanks/Praise for what Jesus has done. Jesus, we thank You for choosing imperfect leaders like Paul to carry the assignment of sharing the gospel. Thank You that, like Paul, You see our imperfections and call us Your "chosen vessels." We praise You, Jesus, for giving those who follow You the privilege to suffer for Your name's sake. What an honor! We love You.

Worship Jesus for who He is. Jesus, we worship You, the only One worthy of our suffering. We worship You for showing us the way of suffering that leads to glory. We worship You, the prize of the gospel, the One whom the kings of this world, the nations, and the children of Israel will bow down before.

Pray/Intercede for what He alone can do. Jesus, we pray that You would call upon and raise up a generation of leaders like Paul. We pray for those willing to take Your name and gospel before the nations, the kings of this world, and the children of Israel. Jesus, place a zeal in the hearts of Your followers to suffer for Your name. You are worthy, Jesus!!!

Response Verse: Acts 9:31 Then the churches throughout all Judea, Galilee, and Samaria had peace and were edified. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, they were multiplied.

*Help us to walk in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit.
May Your Church multiply!*

Day 10 (1.18.23)
Read Acts Chapter 10

Focus Verse: Acts 10:30-33 So Cornelius said, "Four days ago I was fasting until this hour; and at the ninth hour I prayed in my house, and behold, a man stood before me in bright clothing,³¹ and said, 'Cornelius, your prayer has been heard, and your alms are remembered in the sight of God.³² Send therefore to Joppa and call Simon here, whose surname is Peter. He is lodging in the house of Simon, a tanner, by the sea. When he comes, he will speak to you.'³³ So I sent to you immediately, and you have done well to come. Now therefore, we are all present before God, to hear all the things commanded you by God."

Give Thanks/Praise for what Jesus has done. Jesus, we praise You, the One in whom humanity is reconciled to God. Jesus, thank You for sending the Promise of the Father, the Holy Spirit, who guides and leads us into all truth, to You. We give You praise that now, because of You, all people everywhere can receive salvation and become sons and daughters of God.

Worship Jesus for who He is. Jesus, we worship You, the brightness of the glory of God. We worship You, Jesus, the express image of God. We worship You, Jesus, the One who upholds all things by the word of Your power (Hebrews 1:3).

Pray/Intercede for what He alone can do. Jesus, we pray that You send angels to those who are seeking God in truth like Cornelius. Worldwide there are people desiring to know You, the true living God. We ask that angelic messengers be sent on assignment to reveal Jesus Christ to those who are getting saved. We pray that men and women in the body of Christ, like Peter in Acts 10, would hear the call to testify to those who are seeking You from around the world!

Response Verse: Acts 10:42-43 He commanded us to preach to the people, and to testify that He is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead.⁴³ All the prophets testify about Him that everyone who believes in Him receives forgiveness of sins through His name."

Jesus, we hear the command to preach and testify that You are One true judge, that You alone have the power to forgive sins. We believe in You and will declare Your name alone.

Day 11 (1.19.23)
Read Acts Chapter 11

Focus Verse: Acts 11:15-17 "As I began to speak, the Holy Spirit came on them as he had come on us at the beginning. ¹⁶ Then I remembered what the Lord had said: 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ¹⁷ So if God gave them the same gift he gave us who believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I to think that I could stand in God's way?"

Give Thanks/Praise for what Jesus has done. Jesus, we thank You and we give You praise. Thank You for Your obedience not only in Your death, but also in Your resurrection and ascension. You said, "It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you" (John 16:7). Because You left, now the Spirit of God can live in us. You are not just with us, but You are in us!

Worship Jesus for who He is. Jesus, we worship You, the baptizer of Spirit and fire. We worship You for fulfilling what You spoke in the gospel of John. "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. ³⁸"He who believes in Me, as the Scripture has said, 'From his innermost being will flow rivers of living water'" (John 7:37-38). You made this possible, Jesus, by sending the Holy Spirit. Forever we will worship You for this and so much more!

Pray/Intercede for what He alone can do. Jesus, we pray for every believer to walk in the power of the baptism of the Holy Spirit. We ask for those who have desired the baptism of the Holy Spirit to experience an encounter they will never forget. We cannot follow, preach the gospel, or advance Your kingdom on our own. We need the power of Your Spirit. Humble us. We pray for hunger, dependence, and a fresh filling of Your Spirit Jesus. Amen!

Response Verse: Acts 11:18 *When they heard this, they had no further objections and praised God, saying, "So then, even to Gentiles God has granted repentance that leads to life."*

Jesus, we are expectant for encounters with You that remove our objections and produce praise as we respond to how You are moving on the earth!

Day 12 (1.20.23)
Read Acts Chapter 12

Focus Verse: Acts 12:7-11 Suddenly an angel of the Lord appeared and a light shone in the cell. He struck Peter on the side and woke him up. "Quick, get up!" he said, and the chains fell off Peter's wrists. ⁸ Then the angel said to him, "Put on your clothes and sandals." And Peter did so. "Wrap your cloak around you and follow me," the angel told him. ⁹ Peter followed him out of the prison, but he had no idea that what the angel was doing was really happening; he thought he was seeing a vision. ¹⁰ They passed the first and second guards and came to the iron gate leading to the city. It opened for them by itself, and they went through it. When they had walked the length of one street, suddenly the angel left him. ¹¹ Then Peter came to himself and said, "Now I know without a doubt that the Lord has sent his angel and rescued me from Herod's clutches and from everything the Jewish people were hoping would happen."

Give Thanks/Praise for what Jesus has done. Jesus, we thank You and we give You praise. You are the One who sends angels to assist and minister to those inheriting salvation (Hebrews 1:14). We praise You for sending supernatural assistance when we need it in our lives. We thank You, Jesus, for the power of heaven manifesting in our lives as we follow You and wholly submit to Your leadership.

Worship Jesus for who He is. Jesus, we worship You, the commander of heaven's armies. We worship You Jesus, the One with all power and authority in heaven and on earth. We worship You for never leaving us nor forsaking us. We worship You, Jesus, Emmanuel, God with us, no matter the circumstances or conditions. We worship You, the only One who can break our chains!

Pray/Intercede for what He alone can do. Jesus, we pray for those we know, and for those we don't know, facing impossible situations. We pray they would cry out to You. Jesus, You are able to set the captives free, to loose the chains of injustice. You are able to liberate the persecuted, bound, and oppressed. Would you release and dispatch angels, supernatural answers, solutions, and make a way where there is no way for Your people? In Jesus' mighty name, Amen!

Response Verse: Acts 12:12-16 So, when he had considered this, he came to the house of Mary, the mother of John whose surname was Mark, where many were gathered together praying. ¹³ And as Peter knocked at the door of the gate, a girl named Rhoda came to answer. ¹⁴ When she recognized Peter's voice, because of her gladness she did not open the gate, but ran in and announced that Peter stood before the gate. ¹⁵ But they said to her, "You are beside yourself!" Yet she kept insisting that it was so. So they said, "It is his angel." ¹⁶ Now Peter continued knocking; and when they opened the door and saw him, they were astonished.

Make us a praying people. A people who pray for the supernatural, for the impossible. For nothing with You is impossible!

Day 13 (1.21.23)
Read Acts Chapter 13

Focus Verse: Acts 13:20-25 “After that He gave them judges for about four hundred and fifty years, until Samuel the prophet. ²¹ And afterward they asked for a king; so God gave them Saul the son of Kish, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, for forty years. ²² And when He had removed him, He raised up for them David as king, to whom also He gave testimony and said, ‘I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after My own heart, who will do all My will.’ ²³ From this man’s seed, according to the promise, God raised up for Israel a Savior – Jesus – ²⁴ after John had first preached, before His coming, the baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel. ²⁵ And as John was finishing his course, he said, ‘Who do you think I am? I am not He. But behold, there comes One after me, the sandals of whose feet I am not worthy to loose.’

Give Thanks/Praise for what Jesus has done. Jesus, we praise You for being the fulfillment of the promise given to Israel. You are of the seed of David. We praise You, the One who will sit on the throne of David forever. We thank You for being the Savior of Israel. We give You praise, Jesus, for being the One who came after John the Baptist. You are the One John the Baptist preached about whose sandals he felt unworthy to loose. There is no one like You, Jesus!

Worship Jesus for who He is. Jesus, we worship You, the King of Kings. We worship You, the Son of David. We worship You, Jesus, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world. We worship You, Jesus, the One God raised up, the Savior of Israel and the Savior of the nations!

Pray/Intercede for what He alone can do. Jesus, we pray for a generation of “John the Baptists” to arise pointing all people to You. We ask You for a move of Your Spirit that compels and provokes preachers and carriers of the gospel like John the Baptist to make a path for You. Convict us, stirring our repentance, for making ministry and preaching more about ourselves than You. Help us be laid-down gospel carriers who cry out in the wilderness, “Make straight the way of the Lord!”

Response Verse: Acts 13:48-52 Now when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad and glorified the word of the Lord. And as many as had been appointed to eternal life believed. ⁴⁹ And the word of the Lord was being spread throughout all the region. ⁵⁰ But the Jews stirred up the devout and prominent women and the chief men of the city, raised up persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and expelled them from their region. ⁵¹ But they shook off the dust from their feet against them, and came to Iconium. ⁵² And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

We will stay filled with joy and the Holy Spirit as we preach, make disciples, and lift Your name, Jesus. Whether we are accepted or rejected, one thing remains: You are worthy!

Day 14 (1.22.23)
Read Acts Chapter 14

Focus Verse: Acts 14:14-17 But when the apostles Barnabas and Paul heard this, they tore their clothes and ran in among the multitude, crying out ¹⁵and saying, “Men, why are you doing these things? We also are men with the same nature as you, and preach to you that you should turn from these useless things to the living God, who made the heaven, the earth, the sea, and all things that are in them, ¹⁶who in bygone generations allowed all nations to walk in their own ways. ¹⁷Nevertheless He did not leave Himself without witness, in that He did good, gave us rain from heaven and fruitful seasons, filling our hearts with food and gladness.”

Give Thanks/Praise for what Jesus has done. Jesus, we praise You for reconciling us to God. We thank You that, because of Your sacrifice, our eyes are opened. No longer do we serve idols and useless things. We praise You, Jesus. Your blood has cleansed us and brought us newness of life, to serve the living God.

Worship Jesus for who He is. We worship You, the evidence of the Father’s mercy and justice. Jesus, You on the cross make clear that nothing was going to be withheld from us, even in our sin and rebellion. We worship You, Jesus, for being the substance of the new covenant making known, and bearing witness to God who is holy. Your arm is not too short to save, and we were not too far out of reach. Thank you forever!

Pray/Intercede for what He alone can do. We pray that You would expose idolatry in our generation. Jesus, we pray that You would expose idolatry in Your Church. Jesus, we pray for a spirit of repentance from dead works, from worshiping created things, and that your kindness may draw all men to turn to You, the One who loves immeasurably. We are confident in Your desire that everyone be saved and that all come to knowledge of the truth (1 Timothy 2:4).

Response Verse: Acts 14:21-22 And when they had preached the gospel to that city and made many disciples, they returned to Lystra, Iconium, and Antioch, ²²strengthening the souls of the disciples, exhorting them to continue in the faith, and saying, “We must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God.”

We will preach the gospel and make many disciples in Your name. We will press forward and even through many tribulations enter the Kingdom of God!