

Waiting for Help

Series: Acts – The Church that Jesus Builds

Acts 1:1-5 – The Promise of the Holy Spirit

- a. Luke states in Acts 1:3 that Jesus gave “many proofs” to show He was alive. From Luke 24:39-43, what proofs does Jesus give to demonstrate that His resurrection was a bodily resurrection?
 - b. Which proof is most meaningful to you. Why?
 - c. In 2021, how do the people of Grace Hills Church act as proof that Jesus is alive? How can this continue?
2. Read Luke 24:45-53.
 - a. After Jesus “opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures”, He informs His disciples that the Gospel “will be preached in His name to all nations.” But before the Gospel is preached, they must wait for the Holy Spirit. When in your life has the Holy Spirit empowered you to share the Gospel?
 - b. Where is the mission field that God has called you to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ?

A group of people living in community, submitted to Jesus and His teaching through the power of the Holy Spirit and taking His Gospel to the whole world

It’s a Hero story

An adventure story.

A travel story.

A conversation story.

A miracle story.

Acts 1:1

- Theophilus (Love of God or Friend of God)

Taking It Home – Prayer

- Missionary of the Week: This week Pray for Barry Maique as he shares Christ in public schools in the Philippines, starts Bible clubs on campuses, and develops youth ministries in churches.
- Pray for one another to proclaim Christ this week.

Acts 1:2-3

- Mary Magdalen (John 20:11-18)
- 2 disciples on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-35)
- All the disciples (Luke 24:36-49)
- Peter on the beach (John 21:1-20)
- He shows up to the 500 people at one time (1 Corinthians 15:6)
- He shows up to them on a mountain (Matthew 28:16-17)
- His brother James (1 Corinthians 15:7)

John 16:7

Matthew 3:2

The church is not a thing that is done but a thing that we are doing

From Sunday's message...

Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there a particular point, verse or comment that caught your attention, challenged you or raised a question?

Getting Connected

1. What is your earliest memory of being in church? What is something you love and appreciate about Grace Hills?
2. Together, read our October Bible verse: Acts 1:8
But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.
 - a. Read Acts 1:4-5. As the text shows, Jesus, risen and alive, commands His disciples to stay in Jerusalem until the Holy Spirit comes. When have you waited on the Lord?
 - b. Read Lamentations 3:25. Why at times does God's timing test our faith in His sovereignty and goodness?
 - c. What might we miss or lack in our spiritual journey with God if we never have to wait on Him?

Going Further – Growing in Christ

1. The book of Acts is written by Luke. Luke wrote Acts after he wrote the Gospel of Luke. Read Acts 1:3 and then read Luke 24:36-44 and answer the following questions.