

SPIRITUAL JOURNEY

PRESENCE, UNITY, FORMATION, WITNESS

Sermon Discussion Guide

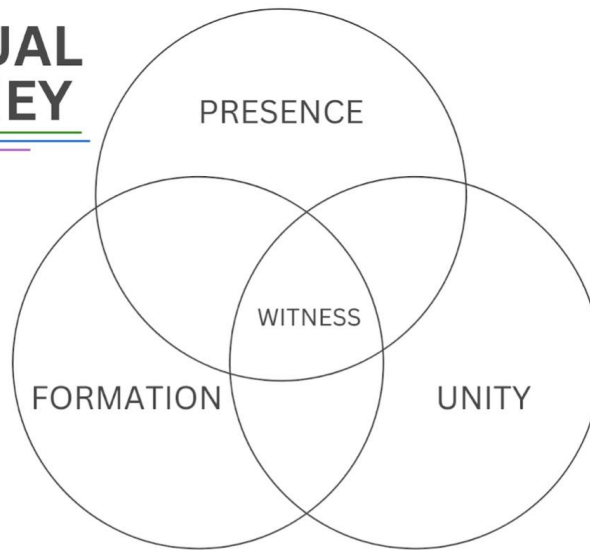
01.26.25 Message | Tyler Myers | Acts 1:8

Key Scripture (ESV):

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

- Acts 1:8

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Message Highlights:

1. Biblical witness moves us from telling *a story* to proclaiming *THE STORY* of Jesus.
2. The Holy Spirit empowers us to live within God's eternal story.
3. Witnessing is pointing to the truth, even when it is costly.
4. Following Jesus involves a commitment to spiritual practices like prayer, accountability and generosity.
5. Our witness has eternal implications, calling us to faithful perseverance despite challenges.

Conversation Starter:

What's the most memorable story you've ever shared or heard? What made it stick with you?

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DISCUSS THE MESSAGE

1. How does a biblical witness differ from simply telling a personal story?
2. Why is the Holy Spirit's empowerment essential to living within God's eternal story?
3. What are some ways the speaker suggested witnessing might be costly? How can we prepare for that?
4. How can regular practices like prayer and generosity strengthen your ability to witness effectively?
5. In what ways does the idea of eternal implications for your actions inspire or challenge you?

THINK DEEPER (Does your group understand the passage?)

1. How does Acts 1:8 challenge your understanding of being a witness for Christ?
2. In what ways does the Holy Spirit empower believers to make an eternal impact? (Acts 1:8; John 14:26)
3. What does it mean to take the message of Jesus to "the end of the earth" in today's context? What does this look like in the context of your life? (Acts 1:8)

THINK LIFE CHANGE (Does your group recognize the personal implications for them as individuals?)

1. What story are you currently living out and how does it align with God's eternal story?
2. How can embracing the Holy Spirit's power transform your approach to challenges? What does this look like in your life context?
3. Where in your life is God inviting you to greater faithfulness and perseverance?

THINK ENGAGE (Does your group know how to apply the challenge?)

1. How can you be a witness of truth in your workplace or community this week?
2. Discuss practical ways to start conversations about Jesus with those around you.
3. How can generosity and accountability enhance your credibility as a witness? What might this look like in your context?

THINK KINGDOM (Does your group understand the overarching Kingdom, that the work we do is bigger than ourselves?)

1. What is a Kingdom perspective in light of what we learned today? How does living with a Kingdom perspective influence your daily decisions?
2. Do you believe the Lord is using you to advance the Kingdom? Why or why not?
3. In what ways does your witness advance the Kingdom of God?