

The Church Grows – Epic Church Week 2

2/11/18

I. 3 Things the New Testament Church Had

A. Risen Savior, Baptism in the Holy Spirit, Commitment to the Great Commission

1. Read Acts 2:42-46
2. The disciple's life included Temple worship AND house to house meetings

B. Three Transferrable Things To Any Culture

1. Consistent and systematic study of God's Word
2. Commitment to the community of believers
3. Prayer: Remind people of our 7 prayer points.
Laborers Open Doors Lasting Fruit Supernatural Resources
Return of the Miraculous Divine Protection Great Awakening

II. The 4th Transferrable Element – Baptism of the Holy Spirit

A. Salvation and Baptism are two distinct events in a believer's life.

1. Acts 2, Acts 4:8, Acts 4:38, Acts 9:17, Acts 19:2

B. Miracle Power

1. Man crippled from birth, what a miracle!

a. Jesus never did anything without a purpose. Miracles were done to lead people to a saving knowledge of who He was.

III. Peter and John's Boldness

A. They faced the very people who allowed Christ to be crucified.

1. The Sanhedrin (Jewish Supreme Court) recognized that these were just common, ordinary men. (Greek word: idiots)

B. Review the 4 Transferrable Thing

1. Devoted to God's Word
2. Devoted to Prayer
3. Deeply Love One Another
4. Filled With the Holy Spirit

Discussion Questions:

1. Discuss things done in the church in past years and how/if they are still effective today.
2. Is Sunday morning attendance a priority in your life? Is it mandatory according to the scripture?
3. Discuss pros/cons of regular Sunday attendance. Is it relevant to our culture today?
4. Read Acts 19:2 and discuss it.
5. Write down or memorize our 7 Prayer Points and pray for them regularly.
6. If common, ordinary men could be used to perform miraculous signs, what does that mean for us today?