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The Daily Bible Reader 2023

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AUGUST 2023 ACTS

Acts

Memory Verse: "But you shall receive power when the Holy Spírít has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaría, and to the end of the earth." - Acts 1:8

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August 1-5 Chapters 1-5

August 6-12 Chapters 6-12

August 13-19 Chapters 13-19

August 20-26 Chapters 20-26

August 27-31 *Chapters 27,28* We will be reading through Acts this month. Our schedule is divided into weekly readings. By reading, at least one chapter each day you should be able to finish the readings each week. May God bless you as you feast on his word each day!

The last words of Jesus are called the Great Commission. The Apostles were instructed to preach the gospel of Christ to the World. Acts is essentially the fulfillment of that commission. Jesus instructed his Apostles to be "witnesses to me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." Acts is the story of the gospel spreading to the remotest parts of the world.

Acts is the sequel to Luke's Gospel. Both were written to the Theophilus. Both were written by Luke, the beloved Physician, and traveling companion of Paul. Both books have been hailed as having remarkably accurate descriptions of the people, places, and culture of the ancient Roman world.

Acts may be divided did into three sections (Ch. 1-7;8-12;13-28). Each section focuses on a particular audience, a key personality, and a significant phase in the expansion of the gospel. The Old Testament scriptures, the resurrection of Christ, the eyewitness testimony of the Apostles, and the power of the Holy Spirit are God's means of convincing man that Jesus Christ is the only way to salvation. Acts is commonly called the book of conversions, because several examples of conversion are noted.

The beginning and growth of the early church is highlighted in Acts. Much may be learned about God's mission for the local church. Throughout the book emphasis is placed on the activity of the Holy Spirit. Important discourses of Peter and Paul are recorded. The life of Paul is highlighted by four missionary journeys.

I hope you will enjoy reading this book of conversions.

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