

Acts study #1



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Acts Of the Apostles Study #1

The book of Acts (of the Apostles) has also been referred to as the Acts of the Holy Spirit. While the gospels exhibit or display the Ministry/ works of Jesus the Messiah, and His death, burial, and resurrection; the book of Acts displays the works and power of the Holy Spirit in the lives of the Apostles and disciples of Jesus. At least, this is the way we might see it without a little deeper look. If we take a little deeper look in the Gospels, we see that Jesus didn't start His ministry until He was baptized by John and the Holy Spirit descended upon Him. Looking at the 1st chapter of Acts in comparison to this we can then see that Jesus Modeled and championed the very thing He was calling for from His followers, to be empowered by submersion in and under the influence of the Holy Spirit. We really can't get a proper view of the book of Acts without having the working of the Holy Spirit as the underlying theme. As we study Acts lets ask ourselves what work the Spirit of God is doing in and through the lives of the disciples. It Might help to look at the following references before we begin looking at the Book of Acts: Luke 4:1, John 1:29-34, John 14:16-17, and John 14:25,26

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3. Do you see a connection in this event and the Feast of Pentecost/First Fruits?
4. What was the people's reaction to the things they observed.
5. Who did Peter quote in his sermon and what are the 3 main points Peter made?

Main take aways from today _____

