



Sermon Discussion Guide

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Hook - Getting to know one another

- *How is everyone doing this week? Add other questions to get to know one another, especially ones related to the topic in the sermon.*
 - *What is the most unique location you've heard of someone getting baptized?*
 - *What are ways people have shared Jesus with you that have resonated with your heart?*
 - *When you hear the phrase "be a witness" what comes to mind? Something that feels natural or that feels intimidating?*
 - *Who are the people you interact most with in a normal week? (At home, work, the gym, etc.?)*
 - *Have you ever seen someone live their faith out in a way that felt real and relational and not forced? What stood to you about the way they did so?*

Book - Scripture

- *Read the scripture passages and discuss to understand **what the text is saying:***

Acts 1:1-8

- *Each part of the trinity (God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit) are mentioned throughout this passage?*
 - *How do each of them seem to play a role in it? What are they doing? Where are they mentioned? How do they seem to be involved in what is happening? How do they different parts of the trinity interact with one another?*
- *In Acts 1:1-3, What does Jesus Christ do in the 40 days after his resurrection?*
- *What specific instructions does he give his disciples in verses 4-5?*
- *In verse 6, what are the disciples focused on asking Jesus about?*
- *How does Jesus redirect their thinking in verses 7-8?*



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- *According to verse 8, where will the disciples be witnesses? What progression of locations do you notice? (e.g. Jerusalem and outward)*
- *In what ways do you notice the different aspects of the Trinity supporting the disciples as they are sent?*

Look - Connections to our world today

- *This section focuses on implications about **what this text means** about what's wrong in the world, about trusting God, about who God is, etc.*
 - *Why do you think the disciples were concerned about restoring the kingdom to Israel instead of the mission Jesus was giving them?*
 - *What does it mean to receive "power" from the Holy Spirit in the context of being a witness?*
 - *Is it possible to be sent in non visible way? If so, why? If not, why not?*
 - *Why do you think Jesus starts with Jerusalem? Jesus was both rejected and crucified there.*
 - *What does it look like to be a "witness" in contrast to "arguing" or "convincing"?*
 - *How does this passage shape the way you think about where mission begins?*
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Took - Personal Application

- *This application focuses on **how God is calling us to respond**. This could be personally, as a family, small group, or church. It could be something to believe, to meditate on, to say or do this week.*
 - *Who is your Jerusalem? The people most familiar to you in your daily life?*
 - *What are some ways Jesus is inviting you to be visibly sent? What would it look like to be a visible, relational expression of the gospel with those people this week?*



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- *What are some practical ways you can live out your faith naturally and (not performatively) in your everyday environments?*
- *Is there someone specific God may be prompting you to invest in or reconnect with?*
- *What fears or barriers seem to keep you from living as a witness to the people closest to you?*
- *In what ways might you recognize the different aspects of the Trinity supporting you as you are sent?*
- *How can you rely on the Holy Spirit instead of your own effort when it comes to sharing your faith?*

Time of Prayer