



ANLI

Bridging the gap leadership

The Book of Acts,  
2021  
Pastor Francek Strlek  
Session 2: New Birth

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ACTS  
== CHURCH ON ==  
FIRE

**Key Scripture (Acts 1:8 NKJV)**

“But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be [a]witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

**Instructional Overview**

**Big Ideas**

- Acts 1:8 provides the journey of ministry campaign from Jerusalem to Judea.
- Persecution resulted in church scattered to Samaria.
- Holy Ghost revival produces church growth.
- This church growth requires believers to address needs of the current needs of the body of Christ.
- The growth experienced in Acts removed barriers and opened the door to salvation to the Samaritans.

**Essential Questions**

- What impact does revival have on the church?
- How should a Christian respond to modern day persecution?
- Showing kindness to those formerly hated produces what outcome?

**Think and Share****Directions**

- **Prompt:** What did you learn from Session 1 regarding the purpose of the Church?
- Work in pairs within your assigned group and respond to prompt.
- Pastor Francek will call on select groups to report out.

**Notes****Lecture Review: Purpose of the Church**

- His witnesses everywhere in the world (Acts 1:8)
- Teach others whatever Jesus commanded the apostles (Matt 28:20)
- Signs will follow believers (Mark 16:17)
- Repentance and remission of sins preached in His Name (Luke 24:47-49)
- Proclaim the simplicity of the Gospel message (2 Cor 11:3)

### Small Group

#### Directions

- Read the following verses.
- Discuss in group.
- Report to class.

**Prompt:** Why is it necessary to structure leadership in preparation for growth?

- Group 1-Acts 1:22-26
- Group 2-Acts 6:1-7
- Group 3 Acts 2:41, 47; 4:4
- Group 4-Acts 2:41, 47; 4:4

### Notes

**Overview**

Directions:

Pastor Francek will provide an overview of the various locations and people involved in the early church and revivals in the book of Acts. Students will look up the corresponding scriptures listed below to secure a solid understanding.

**Verse Lookup**

1. Jerusalem
  - a. Acts 2:41-47 (3,000+) The Lord added to the Church daily
  - b. Acts 4:4 (5,000+) After the healing of the lame man
  - c. Acts 4:33; 5:28-32 With great power gave the apostles witness
  - d. Acts 8:1 The Church scattered through persecution
2. Samaria - Acts 8:5-17 Repented, baptized, received the Holy Ghost
3. Ethiopian Eunuch - Acts 8:27-39
4. Saul at Damascus
  - a. Acts 9:1-22
  - b. Acts 9:31 The Church had rest
5. Lydia and Joppa - Acts 9:32-43 (Peter)
6. Caesarea
  - a. Acts 10:1-48 Cornelius
  - b. Acts 11:12-18 Peter recounts Gentiles getting saved
  - c. Acts 13:38-40; 15:7-10 Forgiveness of sin
7. Ephesus Acts 19:1-6

**Notes**

**Small Group**

**Directions**

- Read Acts 5:28-29, 38-42
- Discuss in group.
- Respond to the following questions:
  - How did the disciples respond after being beaten for preaching the name of Jesus?
  - How does this influence one's perspective on modern day persecutions?
- Report to whole group.

**Notes**

## Closing

(9:15-9:25pm)

## Activity 6

- Closing thoughts
- Homework
- Prayer

## Book of Acts, FALL 2021 — Homework, Session 2

Due September 2, 2021

### Essay

- Read the following scriptures: Acts 2:39, 47, 1 Cor 3:6-11
- Essay: 500-600 words, typed
- Prompt: Based on these scriptures, explain the steps involved for church growth.

Please review the writing rubric and the writing handbook on the ANLI website as a guide when writing your essay. E-mail a copy to Pastor Francek at (pastorfrancek@gmail.com) before class on September 2, 2021.

### Directions:

- Write tight, but with depth.
- Follow APA guidelines for writing format and SBL for Scripture citations found in the ANLI writing manual.
- Staple all pages together with a cover page.
- The cover page title should include a running head, page number, and below paper identifier. Begin the identifier halfway down the paper. Double space it. Do not bold.

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- Make sure you include a thesis statement and key points in your opening paragraph, and then break out each key point into subsequent paragraphs.
  - A thesis statement articulates the subject (or claim) of your essay; and concisely summarizes the position you will take.
  - The body of your essay will support your thesis statement and persuade the reader you interpreted the information correctly and presented a valid position
- Add a closing paragraph that sums up your thesis statement.