

The Acts of the Church Empowered By the Spirit Finish Not Ashamed

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Intro and Opening

- Greetings and Prayer
- Not Ashamed Conference Schedule

Opening Statement

- Acts of the Church Empowered by the Spirit of the Holy Ghost
- John 14:11 - 26 Jesus said that he would not leave us comfortless
- What were some of the miraculous event documented in the Bible
- Of course reading about Jesus, but also reading the book of Acts
- It is as simple as hearing from the Word, believing the Word, showing obedience by acting by the Word (empowered by the Holy Spirit).
- Can we see beyond the mountain of our circumstances?
- Can we stay courageous in the midst of opposition?
- Will we not be Ashamed of the Gospel of Christ?
- We have to remember after the disciples walked with Jesus for years, they were scattered when they faced opposition. We have to understand that this was before they were giving the Power of a comforter (the Holy Spirit).
- To stand with Jesus Christ (not like many of the Jews of that time was a true act of faith).
- To truly stand with Jesus Christ, there will be opposition. It will not be popular. Can you imagine standing against the tradition of your nation?
- The Way - Acts demonstrated a movement of the Good news of Jesus Christ. That message is still being delivered today (many many years later).
- Each of us has a journey. Much like what was recorded in the book of Acts.
- Paul used the analogy of a race. We must obtain the prize. (driven by the Love for God, the Love of God through us to our neighbors). Who are our neighbors?
- 1 Corinthians 9:24-27 - **Run the race**

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Some Highlights from Acts

- Acts 1:4 - 8 Promise of the Holy Spirit
 - Being Obedient to the Word of the Lord
- Acts 2:1 - 4 The Holy Spirit (Evidence)
- Acts 2:40 - 47 Growth of the Church
- Acts 3:6 - 8 Lame man healed
- Acts 5:3 - 5 Lying to the Holy Spirit
- Acts 7:59 - 60 Stephen Stoned
- Acts 9:3 - 5, 15 - 16 Saul to Paul life changing encounter with Christ
- Acts 10:15 - 16, 44 - 46 Peter to the Gentiles
- Acts 12:2 - 3, 11 - 12 James killed; Peter rescued by an Angel because of the prayers of the righteous
- Acts 18:9 - 10 - The Lord tells Paul to not be afraid.
- Acts 19:13 - 20 Seven sons of Sceva
- Acts 20:22 - 24 Paul must Go back to Jerusalem where there was known trouble
- Acts 21:30 - 32 They seized Paul after he was ambushed
- Acts 23:11 Testify in Jerusalem and later in Rome
- Acts 24:26 - 27 Corrupt judge Felix left Paul in prison, but did not allow him to be killed
- Acts 25:10 - 12 Paul appeals to Caesar
- Acts 26: 12 - 18, 28 - 29 Paul recounts his testimony
- Acts 27:9 - 12, 14 A Tempest storm Paul's warning. Euroclydon (You Rock La Don)

Acts Chapter 28

- Acts 28:1 The island of Malta
 - <https://i.pinimg.com/originals/1a/f1/d3/1af1d3c3367fee95d57261b72e595b6b.jpg>
- Acts 28:2 - 3 - Hospitality
- Acts 28:4 - No doubt a Murderer? Why?
- Acts 28:5 - Shake it off. Suffered no harm (Mark 16:18)
- Acts 28:6 - 10 - Healed a man
- Acts 28:11 - 13 - Speak to the level of details accounted for in the book of Acts. This shows the documentation of the real events of real people (including Paul). This appears to be minor details, but see this as evidence (not just some story).
- Acts 28:14 - 16 The favor of God upon Paul
- Acts 28:17 - 22 Paul spoke the Jews
- Acts 28:23 - 29 Paul gave a word, but the flesh allowed those to dispute the words.
- Acts 28:30 - 31 Conclusion to the book of Acts. The Acts of the Church empowered by the Spirit - continues even through today.

Finish Not Ashamed

- Galatians 6:9 - Do not grow weary
- 2 Timothy 4:6 - 8 - Paul finished
- James 1:12