



# encounter.

a step-by-step guide through Scripture

## disciple:

// someone who follows Jesus and leads others to do the same.

Studying God's Word is one of the best ways to grow your relationship with God, be tuned to the Holy Spirit, and get to know Jesus intimately. John 1 tells us that the Word is God, the writer of Psalms tells us it will light our path, and Jesus tells us in John 8 if we abide in His Word, we are truly His disciples.

This tool is just one of the many ways to study the Bible and dive deeper into the passages we will be studying each weekend together. Our hope is that you begin to deeply understand the scripture we will be unpacking and allow God to speak to your heart before you even walk through the doors on Sunday.

This tool is designed to help guide you as you seek to understand the context of each verse, what it meant to its original audience, and what it means to us today.

There are a few ways you can utilize this PDF.

- 01** Print the PDF.  
-or-
- 02** Download the PDF, open in a notes app (GoodNotes, Notability, etc), fill it out digitally.  
-or-
- 03** Use the PDF to transcribe into a notebook or journal.

### 5 Marks of a Disciple

- Know Jesus Intimately
- Follow the Holy Spirit Relentlessly
- Obey God's Word Completely
- Love His Church Wholeheartedly
- Seek the Lost Intentionally



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Week of January 21<sup>st</sup> // Conversation January 28<sup>th</sup>

## **Mobilize Sunday**

This coming Sunday, we're going to be celebrating Mobilize Sunday! We're going to have the opportunity to meet our Mission Point Partners and explore ways that we can make every effort to go and reach the lost in our community.




Let's take a look at the beginning of Acts where Jesus sends His disciples out to reach the lost.

## **pray.**

Psalm 55:22 says, "Give your burdens to the Lord, and He will take care of you. He will not permit the godly to slip and fall." Whatever burdens you're carrying today, take some time to drop them at the feet of the Lord. His Word says that He will take care of you! Talk to God and praise Him for not allowing your feet to slip and fall.

## **observe.**

Marking key words in passages of Scripture helps to draw your attention to the main ideas/themes. It causes you to slow down and absorb what you're reading.

- 01** Put a  over every reference to the Lord and God.
- 02** Draw a  over every mention of Jesus including "Lord" and pronouns.
- 03** Put a  over the Holy Spirit
- 04** Double-underline all of the places that are mentioned, like Judea.

## Acts 1:6-8 (NLT)

<sup>6</sup> So when the apostles were with Jesus, they kept asking him, “Lord, has the time come for you to free Israel and restore our kingdom?”

<sup>7</sup> He replied, “The Father alone has the authority to set those dates and times, and they are not for you to know. <sup>8</sup> But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

## interpret.

**01** What were the apostles asking Jesus about in v. 6?

**02** Did Jesus answer their question directly? Why do you think He answered the way He did?

# interpret.

**03** What will the apostles receive in v. 8? When will it come? What will be the result of it?

# apply.

**01** Do you feel like you have the power of the Holy Spirit inside of you to be a witness for Jesus? Why or why not? Spend some time praying about this and talk to God about what you feel.

# bring it together.

The book of Acts opens up with Jesus promising the power of the Holy Spirit to His apostles. He says that they will be His witnesses to Judea (which is the immediate area), Samaria (which is the larger region in general) and to the ends of the earth. The reach of the influence of the apostles was going to be quite extraordinary!

Did you know you have the same Holy Spirit inside of you, if you are a believer in Christ? God doesn't change. His Holy Spirit is the same today as it was in the days of Jesus. That power is available to you too!

Take some time to pray about how you can be reaching your versions of Judea and Samaria. Think about school, work, places where you shop, vacations you take, etc. Be bold and ask God to make you a witness for Him!

## connect.

We are available to answer any questions you might have.



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