

ACTS – Recap
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Reflection & Discussion Questions

Acts is the origin story of the church...we are their descendants

We are a group of people who believe humans exist for a reason – we are all loved by God and that this world can be better than it is if we turn to God and trust in His love.

*What has been most surprising to you about the early church through studying Acts? Did you have a favorite chapter or scene from Acts?

*What are some characteristics of the early church in our own church? What looks different?

*What would it take for us to live like they did today? How could we recapture some of that purity in our movement now?

The Gospel leads us to expand and include not retreat and protect

In the story of Acts, God leads the church to new people and places, places they never would have gone on their own.

*How does self-protection shut down the movement of God in our life? Why do you think protection is our first inclination?

*What confidence about the Gospel and the future of the church have you gained from studying Acts?

Fear leads us away from the Gospel and the Kingdom of God

In Acts the early church was fearless.

*How have you seen the enemy use fear as a strategy in your life? In the church?

*What courage and comfort have you gained from studying Acts?

Prayer was central to the work of God in the beginning of our movement

Prayer about the Kingdom and mission of God is one of the most powerful tools we have.

*What have you learned or been challenged by in reading about prayer and the early church?

*What is He saying to you about prayer in your own life?

*If comfortable, share some of what you are praying for personally, for Pulpit Rock, for the work of the Kingdom this summer? How can we encourage one another in our prayers?