

III. TELL ALL PEOPLE GROUPS THE GOSPEL

“...to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem” Luke 24:47b

Jesus revealed the scope of our witness.

A. We are to begin locally by being ambassadors.

“Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ,...”

II Corinthians 5:20a

B. We are also to expand globally by sending missionaries.

“14 How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher?

15 And how shall they preach unless they are sent?...”

Romans 10:14-15a

IV. RELY ON THE POWER OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

“Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high.”

Luke 24:49

Jesus revealed the Spirit of our witness.

A. The Spirit’s power convicts of sin.

“7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth. It is to your advantage that I go away; for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, I will send Him to you.

8 And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment:”

John 16:7-8

B. The Spirit’s power provides boldness.

“...and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness.

Acts 4:31b

DO YOU NEED TO POWER UP WITH WITNESSING?

Witnessing Power Charge:

_____ Share The Gospel With One Person Each Week

POWER UP!

5G Coverage With Witnessing

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INTRODUCTION

A. Drained? Depleted? Running on low? It’s time to power up! Attend the Power Up! Teaching Series and learn how to gain power from God in a world where everything and everyone seems to drain and deplete your energy.

“He gives power to the weak, And to those who have no might He increases strength.”

Isaiah 40:29

B. This teaching series will be a deep dive into Luke 24:11-53. It will be case study of how Jesus powered up the disciples and took them from being “sad” (Luke 24:17) to “great joy” (Luke 24:52). I will reveal five chargers that Jesus used to power up the disciples and how He can do the same for you.

The messages include:

Apr 4 Plug Into Jesus

Apr 11 Yes, God Can Hear You Now With Prayer

Apr 18 Choose His Plan With The Bible

TODAY 5G Coverage With Witnessing

May 2 Stay Connected With Worship

C. **TEXT:** Luke 24:46-49

God uses witnessing to charge you up.

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

Acts 1:8

HOW TO CHARGE UP WITH WITNESSING

- Scene Four: The Two Disciples Are Now In Jerusalem With The Other Disciples.

“Then He said to them, ...” Luke 24:46a

“Therefore comfort each other and edify one another, just as you also are doing.” I Thessalonians 5:11

- This passage contains Luke’s version of the Great Commission.

“and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.” Luke 24:47

See also Matthew 28:19-20; Mark 16:15; John 20:21-22.

- Jesus once again gives the promise of the coming of the Holy Spirit.

“Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high.” Luke 24:49

*“16 And I will pray the Father, and He will give you another Helper, that He may abide with you forever—
17 the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees Him nor knows Him; but you know Him, for He dwells with you and will be in you.”*

John 14:16-17

- Every Christian is called to be a “witness” for Jesus which means to share what we have experienced.

“And you are witnesses of these things.” Luke 24:48

“For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard.” Acts 4:20

I. KNOW THE NECESSITY OF JESUS’ SACRIFICE

“Then He said to them, “Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day,” Luke 24:46

Jesus revealed the seriousness of our witness.

- A. His sacrifice was necessary to bring us to God.

“For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit,”

I Peter 3:18

- B. His sacrifice was necessary to give us abundant and eternal life.

“The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly.”

John 10:10

II. PREACH REPENTANCE AND FORGIVENESS IN JESUS NAME

“and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name...” Luke 24:47a

Jesus revealed the substance of our witness.

- A. Repentance is required for forgiveness.

“I tell you, no; but unless you repent you will all likewise perish.” Luke 13:3

“Repentance” is a change of mind that leads to a change of direction. It is admitting your sin and turning by faith to Jesus.

- B. Salvation only comes through the name of Jesus.

“Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved.” Acts 4:12