

THE BEST HAS YET TO COME

Acts 1:1-8

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1. Jesus has empowered us for an unexplainable life.

2. Jesus empowered His church to be pervasive.

Pervasive Hope: For every way someone can be lost, we want to provide a practical way for him or her to be found, in the very place they have ended up.

3. Jesus' power is greatest when we die.

Martyrs - μαρτυρία - marturia /mar-too-ree-ah - witness - testimony

Answer these questions and discuss in your group this week:

1. Read John 14:12-14 as a group. What sort of life is the Spirit calling you to? How is this life glorifying Jesus and proclaiming the gospel? In what areas do you need to be more obedient to the Spirit?

2. Using the definition of Pervasive Hope provided by Pastor Miles, explain how you can provide practical ways for people to come to Jesus. Discuss how you can do that individually and as a group. Discuss some plans for building ministries within your own group.

3. Read 1 Peter 4:13-16 as a group. The idea of suffering as a martyr may be strong in our culture, but being insulted for the sake of the gospel should not be strange for us. How are you a witness for the gospel in the context of your everyday life, and in what ways do you need to step up?

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READ THE BIBLE IN A YEAR.

Don't forget to Read, Reflect and Respond.

MON - Job 40-42

TUES - Genesis 12-15

WED - Genesis 16-18

THU - Genesis 19-21

FRI - Genesis 22-24

SAT - Genesis 25-26

SUN - Genesis 27-29