

Sermon Questions

DATE: April 21st, 2024

SERMON TITLE: World Changers

MAIN POINT: We are given the Spirit of God not so we can feel more spiritual but so we can do the job that Jesus gave the church to do.

Volunteer Opportunities:

Leaders, please share the following volunteer opportunities with your group members each week. Thanks!

▶▶ **Elder Care Team:** Our Elder Care Team is seeking compassionate and committed church Partners who have a gift for cultivating relationships and the desire to genuinely care for the elderly in need of companionship. You can learn more about this opportunity on the App under Serve—> Elder Care Team or by reaching out directly to Gayle at 815-505-6638

Other Serving needs include the Baptismal Team, Production Team, Worship Team, Security, First Impressions and Clean Team.

Scripture: [Acts 1:1-11](#) (Click the links in blue for easy reading!)

Principles for studying a passage of Scripture:

- ✓ **Comprehension:** Asks - What does the passage say?
 - ✓ **Interpretation:** Asks - What does the passage mean?
 - ✓ **Application:** Asks - How should this passage change me?
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Questions:

➤ **Comprehension:** [Acts 1:1-11](#) together. How would you summarize this passage in your own words? What would you say is the main point?

➤ **Personal Reflection:** What sticks out to you most in this passage and why? What causes questions?

➤ **Comprehension:** Who is the Holy Spirit?

➤ **Interpretation:** Together read [John 14:26](#). What is Jesus telling us about the Holy Spirit? Why is this important?

➤ **Interpretation:** What does [Acts 1:3](#) tell us about why Jesus appeared to the apostles during the next 40 days? How do you think the apostles responded during this time verses the time they had with him before the crucifixion?

➤ **Interpretation:** We see in [Luke 24:49](#) and again in [Acts 1:4-5](#) the instruction to stay in Jerusalem. What promise was Jesus talking about? Why do you think the disciples thought they were supposed to stay put?

➤ **Application:** Read together [Acts 1:6-8](#). How is trusting and submitting to God's timing a challenge in your life right now?

➤ **Application:**

1. What does it mean to "witness" or to "be a witness" to someone?
2. Do you struggle with this?
3. Is there a time you stepped out in faith to someone?
4. How did your/their life change?
5. Who has the Holy Spirit put on your heart to love and introduce to Jesus?

Explore all of these questions together and allow opportunities for everyone to share.

➤ **Group Prayer:** Take turns praying aloud for the person on your left. Use this opportunity to love one another well.

Personal Questions (for monthly breakouts):

- What life challenges are you facing this week?
- How are you responding to those challenges?
- How can we pray for your heart in those challenges?
- What sins are you holding onto right now?
- How can we help keep you accountable?
- How can we be praying for you personally this month?
- Share one way God has been working in your heart and life this past month!