

The Mission Continues With Us

A One-Week Bible Study

Key Text: Acts 28:30-31

"He proclaimed the kingdom of God and taught about the Lord Jesus Christ with all boldness and without hindrance."

Introduction

The Book of Acts ends in an unusual way. There is no report of Paul's death, no final farewell, and no formal conclusion. Instead, the book ends with the gospel still advancing. The message is clear: the story was never just about Peter, Paul, or the early church. The mission of Jesus continues through every generation of believers. This same mission now belongs to us. This conclusion flows directly from your recent study through Bible Study Participant Handout – Acts 26–28, which highlights the unhindered advance of the gospel despite storms, imprisonment, and opposition.

The Mission Has Not Changed

Scripture: Matthew 28:18-20

The church's assignment today is the same as it was in Acts:

- Make disciples
- Share the gospel
- Teach God's Word
- Live as Christ's witnesses

Technology changes. Culture changes. Methods change. The mission does not.

Discussion Question: What distractions most often pull churches away from their primary mission?

Every Believer Has a Role

Scripture: 1 Corinthians 12:4-7

The mission was not carried by apostles alone.

Some teach. Some encourage. Some serve. Some give. Some pray. Some evangelize.

Every member of the body contributes to the advancement of God's kingdom.

Discussion Question: How has God uniquely gifted you to participate in His mission?

Obstacles Are Opportunities

Scripture: Philippians 1:12-14

Paul faced arrests, shipwrecks, beatings, imprisonment, and opposition. Yet every obstacle became a platform for the gospel. This theme appears repeatedly in your recent Acts study materials.

God often uses difficulties to open doors that comfort never could.

Discussion Question: Can you identify a difficult season that God used for spiritual growth or ministry?

The Power Is Still the Holy Spirit's

Scripture: Acts 1:8

The early church changed the world because of the Spirit of God.

We do not complete the mission through:

- Better programs
- Larger budgets
- Human talent

We complete the mission through dependence upon the Holy Spirit.

Discussion Question: How can our church become more dependent on God's power rather than our own efforts?

The Next Chapter Is Being Written Now

Scripture: Hebrews 12:1-2

Acts could almost be viewed as an unfinished book.

Peter's generation had their chapter. Paul's generation had theirs. Our generation has its chapter.

The question is not whether God is working. The question is whether we will join Him.

Discussion Question: If future generations looked back at our church, what would we want them to say about our faithfulness to Christ's mission?
