

## UNSTOPPABLE: Daring to Be the Church On Mission

Lesson One • Acts 1:1-2

### The Mission Continues

#### The Acts of the Apostles

Tells the adventure of how the Church SPREAD from Jerusalem to Judea and Samaria to the end of the earth through ordinary people like us.

*"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*

*"I will build My church, and the gates of hell will not prevail against it." Matthew 16:18b*

#### The Mission of the Church

The Church is to CONTINUE the mission Jesus began.

*The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, until the day in which He was taken up, after He through the Holy Spirit had given commandments to the apostles whom He had chosen. Acts 1:1-2*

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## 1. Jesus' Mission Was to Bring SALVATION to the Lost!

*"For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost." Luke 19:10*

*In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God...*

*And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. John 1:1, 14*

*The next day John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold! The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world!" John 1:29*

*"I have glorified You on the earth. I have finished the work which You have given Me to do." John 17:4*

*So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit. John 19:30*

*But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, He sat down at the right hand of God. Hebrews 10:12*

#### Is Jesus' Work Finished Or Not Finished?

The work of Jesus on the CROSS is finished, but the work of Jesus through the CHURCH is not finished.

## 2. Jesus' Mission CONTINUES through His Church!

*"Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in His name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem." Luke 24:46-47*

*"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20*

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#### What Kind of People Does Jesus Use?

Jesus uses ordinary people captured by the MESSAGE of the Gospel.

Jesus uses ordinary people clothed with the POWER of the Spirit.

#### What This Means for Us

One Truth: God is at WORK through His Church.

One Question: Am I committed to God's work through His Church at Glenwood?