

Acts

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I. Introduction.

A. Luke wrote the Gospel of Luke and the book of Acts.

1. These books were written to Theophilus. Luke was written about all Jesus did and taught - we are to be people who do not just teach.

2. The key verse in Acts is Acts 1:8 - the last orders of Jesus. Jesus is our life. Our life is Christ and to die is gain.

B. Outline of Acts: Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria, the Ends of the Earth.

II. The Ascension of Jesus and His promised return. (Acts 8, Revelation 11)

III. When the disciples took to the street with the gospel, the Devil lashed out because they were declaring war on his kingdom.

A. If you want to serve God in any way, you have to do something for somebody. (Romans 1)

B. Our life is to be set apart for one thing - the gospel of God. (Acts 26)

C. Paul was converted at the sight of Jesus seeing one whom he thought was dead call him by name.

D. Paul's salvation was also a call to service.

E. The end is to open eyes that men might receive forgiveness of sins. (Philippians 4:6-7)

F. The Christian life was not an easy life, but it was the only life for Paul.

Application questions

1. What was the relationship of Saul's conversion in Acts (Paul) to his call to ministry? What is the significance of this?

2. Should the Christian expect ministry to be easy? Explain why or why not.

3. Why is the gospel a threat to Satan? How can you spread the gospel on a regular basis?
