THE BOOK OF ACTS DEVOTIONAL

DAY ONE

SCRIPTURE Read Acts Ch1: 1-14

QUESTIONS

- 1. What does Jesus means when he says the disciples will be his witnesses? (1:8)
- 2. Jesus ascends to heaven and leaves the disciples not knowing what to do.
 They are told to wait for the Holy Spirit to come. What do the disciples commit
 themselves to doing whilst they wait? (1:14)
- 3. In what areas of your life are you waiting for God to move? What way could you respond in the waiting?

PRAYER

Lord, please fill me with your Holy Spirit. I need your power in my life to be an effective witness for you. I ask you to help me live the life you have called me to live. Please give me grace to be patient and to wait in this uncertain time for you to move.

I trust you Lord. Have your way with me.

DAY TWO

SCRIPTURE Read Acts Ch 1: 15-26

QUESTIONS

- 1. Who were the disciples trying to replace in the passage and why?
- 2. What method did they use to choose a new apostle (1:26)? Do you think this is a good method of selecting leaders? Why or why not?
- 3. Are there any areas in your life that you need God to raise someone up to help?

PRAYER

Lord, I need you today to show me the areas of my life where I need help. I trust you to speak to me, to lead me and to guide me. Give me the wisdom to choose friends who will help me walk the path that you have called me to walk. Surround me with people who will encourage me in faith and who I can be a blessing to as well.

DAY THREE

SCRIPTURE Read Acts Ch 2: 1-13

QUESTIONS

- 1. The phrase "of one accord" shows that disciples were in complete unity. Why is this so important and what helped them become so united? (2:1)
- 2. What is happening that bewilders some of the people in the crowd? (2:6-7)
- 3. In Ch2:13 some people make fun of the disciples. Have you ever made fun of something you didn't understand? Reflect on this, is there a better way to respond?

PRAYER

Lord, teach me to live in unity with other believers. Help me see the gold in others and to call this out in them. Help me not to reject your ways. Fill me afresh with your Holy Spirit. I receive your Holy Spirit today, fill me and refresh me.

Move in power in my life.

DAY FOUR

SCRIPTURE Read Acts Ch 2: 14-47

QUESTIONS

- 1. Previously in the Old Testament, God acted through His Spirit on only one or two people at a time. What does Peter declare has changed now? (2:17)
- 2. How do the people listening to Peter's sermon respond to his words? (2:37)
- 3. Are there any areas of your life that Jesus is speaking to you about right now? How do you need to respond?

PRAYER

Lord, help me to hear what you are saying to me today. I want to respond to you and I want to do your will. Even when it is hard to hear and it cuts me to the heart, help me to hear your truth and choose to follow your way.

Move in my life and have your way Jesus.

DAY FIVE

SCRIPTURE Read Acts Ch 3 : 1-10

QUESTIONS

- 1. Peter uses the words, "In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth..." as he prayed for the lame man to be healed. Why is this so significant? (3:6) (Rewatch the video if you aren't sure)
- 2. How did the man respond once he had been healed? (3:8)
- 3. What things are you thankful for in your life today? Praise God for these things. You might even want to dance or jump or sing for joy as you give God your praise.

PRAYER

Lord, Thank you for all the good things you have done in my life. I give you praise. I give you what you deserve today. Even when it's hard and the journey is difficult, I look onto the things which are praiseworthy and give you thanks.

Help me become a person with a thankful heart and whose lips are always full of your praise in every season.

DAY SIX

SCRIPTURE Read Acts Ch 3: 11-26

QUESTIONS

- 1. Peter emphasises the name of Jesus isn't some magic spell. What more is needed and what does this mean for how we should pray? (3:16)
- 2. What are the results of repentance? (3:17-20)
- 3. How have you seen the results of repentance in your own life?

PRAYER

Lord, I ask for the faith to believe that you do what you say. I ask you to give me the faith to pray for others and to see them moved, healed and refreshed by the power of your Holy Spirit. Help me to keep fruit in keeping with repentance in my life. I don't want to go back to the life I led before, help me to cultivate the fruit of repentance and to grow in you. Draw close to me today Jesus.

DAY SEVEN

SCRIPTURE Read Acts Ch 4:1-37

QUESTIONS

- 1. Why are Peter and John arrested? (4:1-4)
- 2. What strikes you as the boldest part of Peter's defence? (4:8-12)
- 3. How would you respond if you were banned from talking about Jesus (4:18)
- 4. What do the disciples pray for (4:29) and what extraordinary event happens (4:30-31)?
- 5. In what areas of your life do you need boldness? Ask for the Lord to give you it right now.

PRAYER

Lord, I ask for the same boldness you gave to the disciples. I don't want to be trapped in fear. Help me to stand up in boldness and truth today. Fill me with your Spirit today. Fill me with a fresh wave of passion and boldness to tell people in my life about you. You have created me to be a powerful person. Fill me with the courage and boldness to believe this and to live this today!

