

Title: Church Alive - Beginnings (continued) June 9, 2019
Text Acts 1:7- 14

Walk-in: This study in the Book of Acts will have us on a journey of faith that centers around one person - Jesus. What Luke lays out for us in mission, vision, strategy issues is key to doing church. Today (with a brief review from last Sunday) we continue to explore the early days of the church. So... away we go!

Remember the closer look...

A look at the MISSION? *Matthew 28:19-20*

The Great Commission
Our vision - **All of Jesus for All of the World**

A look at the PLAN? *Acts 1:8 (Strategy)*

A Christ-centered Acts 1:8 family

Serving communities
Multiplying Church Networks
Developing People

A look at the CIRCLE(S) of Acts 1:8

Jerusalem - your hometown/ neighborhood

Start where you are...

Judea - your surrounding community and region

CH 8 across racial, ethnic and cultural boundaries.

Samaria - the tough places that many want to avoid

CH 8

Ends (eschatou) of the earth

- around the nation and world

CH 13-28

A look at the A of Christ. *Acts 1:9-11*
Luke 24:50-52

What it means to Christ:

What it means to us:

So.... what are you W for?

A look at the W of the church. *Acts 1:12-14*

"Prayer is that slender nerve that moves the muscles of omnipotence." - Charles Spurgeon

The Christian church was born not in a preaching service but in a P M.

"We can do many things once we have prayed, we can do nothing until we have prayed." - S. D. Gordon,

Core Value: Prayer is the primary work of the people of God.

A look at the G at work. *Acts 1:13, 14b.*

The eleven remaining apostles
Mary and the other women Luke 8:1-3
Brothers of Jesus Mark 6:3; 3:21

A look at the C of prayer. *Acts 14a*
"They all joined together constantly in prayer..."

Their prayer was:

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C

Wrap-up: The mission, plan and work of the church are clear for us. Until He returns, we are to **GET AT IT!** May His mission and plan and work be ours in the daily stuff of our lives as we share the good news of Christ in each of our own circles of influence.