

## THE LETTER OF ACTS

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### Bible Readings

Take a few minutes to read the Bible verses listed and ask the Holy Spirit to lead you in how this verse applies to you this week.

Acts 1:1-5

### Memory Verse

<sup>28</sup> Paul said, "You may be sure that God wants to save the Gentiles! And they will listen."

Acts 28:28



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Have you ever written a letter? Maybe you've written to a friend who moved away or your grandparents who live far from you. If not, imagine what it would be like to send one. What would you want to tell them? Maybe you'd fill them in on something important in your life. Whatever you shared with them, you'd want them to know all the details. You'd share these details so they could feel like they were there with you. You'd want them to know how special that moment was.

Now, imagine writing a whole *book* to someone! That's what Luke did for his friend Theophilus. Luke is the author of the book of Acts in the Bible. He also wrote another book called Luke, which is also known as the gospel of Luke. Why did Luke write these super-long letters to Theophilus? He wanted Theophilus to know that everything he had learned about Jesus was true. He wanted him to believe that the good news of Jesus was for him.

That's also why we read the book of Acts today. We need to know that Jesus' message is for all of us. It doesn't matter who we are or where we come from. Jesus came to live, die, and rise from the dead for you. He came to forgive your sins. He also promised to give you the Holy Spirit. And now he sends you into the world to share this good news with everyone you meet. When you read the stories about the early church in Acts, remember this: It's not just a book written to someone long ago. The book of Acts is also for you and me. It helps us see that God's gift of salvation is for everyone.

## Prayer

God, thank you for this letter and all its stories. Thank you for the message that Jesus is for me today. Help me believe! Amen.

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