

Concentric Circle Outreach
Beyond Borders – Part 5
Life Church St. Louis – October 29, 2017
Lead Pastor – Dr. Dan Walker

Luke 24:49 (ESV) And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

Romans 10:14 (ESV) How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?

Acts 1:5 (ESV) for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

So _____ Can Hear

- _____ the lost
- _____ churches
- _____ leaders
- _____ the poor

1. Jesus’ mission _____

Acts 1:1 (ESV) In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach,

Acts 1:2-3 (ESV) until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

2. Believers must seek _____ baptism

Acts 1:4 (ESV) And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, “you heard from me;

3. Spirit baptism gives _____ to fulfill the mission

Acts 1:7-8 (ESV) He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

4. Jesus will return when the mission is _____

Acts 1:11 (ESV) and said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Matthew 24:14 (ESV) And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.

Action Plan for This Week

- Have a daily quiet time of Bible reading, prayer & writing.
 - Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat Sun

How will I obey God’s Word this week? _____

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Intro. According to Romans 10:14, how are the spiritually lost to be saved?

How does the AG World Missions purpose of “So All Can Hear” apply to the local church?

How do the AG World Missions statements apply to Life Church?

- Reach the lost
- Plant churches
- Train leaders
- Serve the poor

Why is it so important to interpret the book of Acts as describing normative practice for the church rather than simply church history?

1A. What is the writer of Acts, Luke, saying about the overall theme of the book of Acts (Acts 1:1)?

1B. Why do you think so many churches deny that the supernatural aspects of Jesus’ ministry in the Gospels and the early church’s ministry in Acts are available today?

1C. How did Jesus prove to his disciples that He was alive after the resurrection (Acts 1:2-3)?

1D. What are the implications for us that Jesus’ mission now continues through the church?

2A. Why did Jesus order the disciples to wait for the promise of the Father (Acts 1:4, Luke 24:49)?

2B. How do we know that every believer is not automatically Spirit baptized (Acts 1:4-5, Luke 11:13, Acts 2:4)?

2C. What do you think might hinder a person from being Spirit baptized?

3A. According to Acts 1:8, what is the primary purpose of the baptism in the Spirit?

3B. Describe Jesus’ concentric circle strategy of fulfilling the mission (Acts 1:8).

3C. How do the circles of Acts 1:8 apply to us today? What is our responsibility for each circle?

4A. What is keeping Jesus from returning (Acts 1:11, Matthew 24:14, 2 Peter 3:4, 9)? How can we hasten His return (2 Peter 3:11-12)?