

HIGHER AIM

Becoming an Acts 2 Believer

Part 4 | Acts 2:14–30; Acts 2:1–4

INTRODUCTION

We are spending some time in Acts Chapter 2. It is important for us to take all the time necessary to unpack what the Scripture says concerning what it means to be an Acts Chapter 2 believer and an Acts Chapter 2 church. This is the model we need to personally emulate, not only in our sharing of Christ but also in how we live. It affects how we look at our church and what we want our church to be in the future. Even in the middle of uncertainty, we can depend upon our Lord to remain stable. We cannot control anything: the weather, natural disasters, political climate, or our economy. However, we can be assured of one thing: Jesus is in charge, and He has a plan. That is why we must look at Acts 2 seriously, because it provides great guidelines.

KEY POINTS

1. Be Scripture Saturated

If we are going to be Acts Chapter 2 believers and an Acts Chapter 2 church, we need to be Scripture saturated. We need to be full of the Word of God. There is a reason the pulpit is in the center of the sanctuary: it indicates that the preaching and teaching of the Word of God are essential and a priority. God's Word is totally inspired, completely reliable, and without error. If a church does not stand on the Word of God, it is just a glorified social club. Jesus is central in our church because He was central in the preaching and teaching of Simon Peter and the other apostles. At Pentecost, the Holy Spirit came and filled believers, and people heard the Gospel in their own language. Peter stood up with great clarity and proclaimed Jesus.

We need to emulate his example. He answered the questions people were asking, he rooted his message in the Word of God, and he focused on proclaiming Jesus. You do not need pop psychology or a motivational speech. You need the Word of God. God wants you to be able to rightly divide the Word of Truth and handle it personally. If you do not know the Word of God, you cannot share it, but when you quote Scripture, God knows how to brand it upon someone's mind and heart. We must be so saturated with the Word of God that when we get squeezed, the pages of Scripture flow out of us. Nothing gives greater peace in the midst of a storm than God's Word. Your pulpit is everywhere you go, and your neighbors, your family, and you yourself need Jesus. How blessed are the feet of those who preach good news.

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QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER

1. What does it practically look like for you to become “Scripture saturated” in your daily life?
2. How has the Word of God brought clarity or stability to you during times of uncertainty?
3. Which environments or habits help you stay rooted in the Word so you can share it like Peter did?
