

Living Your Best Life

Acts 5:12-21

(4:1-22)

1 Corinthians 4:20 For the kingdom of God is not a matter of talk but of power.

A genuine follower of Jesus causes waves.

Question: Is your relationship with Jesus disruptive? How has your life been disrupted by Jesus? How does Jesus through you disrupt the lives of others?

Living in the fullness of Jesus' truth is acknowledging our dependency on the giver of life (our Savior).

The waves are getting bigger!

vs. 12, The restoration of all things has started through Jesus.
The resurrection is real and it has lasting power.

vs. 14-16, The methods of God's miracles are strange and unknown.

In all areas we fall flat on our faces in comparison to King Jesus.
He is infinitely resources, faithful and holy and we are not!

Why are people finding wholeness?
Simply -> because the power of God

A new thing is happening (Apostolic age).

God's power is often most clearly seen when drought is about to be relieved, when the gates holding back the reservoir are opened and refreshment is on its way.

- God is establishing the church.
- Authenticating the word in missional declaration.
- Each follower of Jesus now has the full presence of God in the Holy Spirit.
- The new covenant is at work.

This power is to reveal that Jesus and his message are to be taken seriously.

John 14:12-17 "Truly I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do. And he will do *even greater works* than these, because I am going to the Father. **13** Whatever you ask in my name, I will do it so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. **14** If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it.

15 "If you love me, you will keep my commands. **16** And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever. **17** He is the Spirit of truth. The world is unable to receive him because it doesn't see him or know him. But you do know him, because he remains with you and will be in you.

We have moved beyond a room overcrowded with 120 (1:15).

The activity taking place around and through Jesus followers has gone beyond a pacifying and false accusation that they are simply drunk (2:13).

vs. 17, filled with jealousy

vs. 19-20, An angel of the Lord said, "tell the people all about this life".

Let others know the word of this salvation.

Acts 3:15 You killed the source of life, whom God raised from the dead; we are witnesses of this.

This life.

A way of life.

Breaking through the barrier of death, living a resurrected life.

A life that cannot be lived without being spoken about.

Question: Do you believe that “living your best life” is surrendering to Jesus? How do you each day experience the resurrection? In your normal daily routine are you embracing renewal, forgiveness, new beginnings, humility, sacrifice, service, all in the name of Jesus?