

Weekend Message Questions
The Bible for Regular People, Week 9
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Connect: Have you ever gone through a situation that seemed like a setback at first, but later you realized God was using it for something good? What happened?

Section 1: God's Mission Continues

Read: Acts 1:8

"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

Discussion Questions

1. What stands out to you about Jesus' final words to His disciples?
2. How does Acts show that Jesus continued His work through ordinary people empowered by the Holy Spirit?
3. What are your "Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria, and ends of the earth" today? Who has God placed in your life to influence?
4. What keeps us from living as witnesses, and how can we rely more on the Holy Spirit instead of our own strength?

Section 2: Trusting God Through the Storm

Read: Acts 27:39-44

Discussion Questions

1. Imagine being on that ship. What emotions do you think the passengers experienced?
2. Paul warned them about the coming danger, yet the storm still came. What does this teach us about following God in difficult circumstances?
3. Have you ever questioned God's presence during a hardship? Looking back, where can you now see His faithfulness?
4. The sermon reminded us: **"Just because something isn't going right doesn't mean God has forsaken us."** Why is that truth so difficult to believe in the middle of suffering?

Section 3: Following the Rabbi

Read: Romans 8:28

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."

Discussion Questions

1. How does Paul's journey to Rome illustrate this promise?
2. Which encouragement from the message challenged you most?
 - Keep praying.
 - Keep worshipping.
 - Keep learning God's Word.
 - Keep working on your own spiritual growth.
 - Stay in biblical community.
3. Why is it so tempting to isolate ourselves during difficult seasons?
4. What is one practical step you can take this week to continue "following the Rabbi," even if life feels uncertain?

Personal Reflection

Take a few quiet moments before sharing.

- Where in your life are you currently saying, *"I've got a bad feeling about this"*?
- What would it look like to trust that God is still working—even if you can't see it yet?
- Is there an area where you need to stop asking, *"Why is this happening?"* and instead ask, *"God, how do You want to shape me through this?"*

If you're comfortable, share your reflection with the group so they can encourage and pray for you.

Prayer Prompt

Spend time praying for one another.

- Thank God that He never leaves us, even in life's storms.
- Pray for courage to keep following Jesus faithfully, even through setbacks and suffering.
- Pray for anyone in the group facing a difficult season, asking God to strengthen their faith, give them hope, and remind them that He is always at work—even when they cannot see it.
- Close by thanking God that His mission continues today, and asking Him to use your group as faithful witnesses wherever He has placed you.

Need prayer outside of the group? [Submit a request here.](#)