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Wednesday Evening Bible Study 6:00 PM

“Witness”

Part 01

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Empowered For The Work

Acts 1:8

8 “But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”

- Power = (Gk. “dunamis”) force, miraculous ability, dynamic strength, (dynamite power)
- Witnesses = (Gk. “martus”) a martyr, record, a witness
 - Martyr = **1** - a person who voluntarily suffers death as the penalty of witnessing to and refusing to renounce a religion.

2 - a person who sacrifices something of great value and especially life itself for the sake of a principle

- You will have ***dunamis***, dynamic, dynamite, explosive power and ability to sacrifice everything to bear witness to Jesus, even at the cost of your own life as a ***martus***, a martyr!

Romans 12:1

¹ I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, *which is* your reasonable service.

- **In Jerusalem** (the immediate city/area)

- Fort Wayne

- ❖ Relationship Evangelism: “...with lovingkindness have I drawn thee” (Jeremiah 31:3)

- **In Judea and Samaria** (the surrounding areas)

- Indiana

- ❖ ABSA fellowship and support

- **And to the end of the earth** (every other area)

- The entire planet

- ❖ PAW International Missions

- ABSA Global Missions

Called For The Work

Matthew 28:18-20

18 And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. **19** Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **20** teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, *even* to the end of the age." Amen.

- Jesus is, Himself, the central focus and the authorizing figure of the Great Commission
 - "All authority has been given to **Me... Go therefore...**"

○ “and make disciples of all the nations”

- Make disciples = (Gk. “matheteuo”) to teach, to make students
 - Discipleship includes the teacher being a model and the pupil (disciple) learns by following and mimicking what the teacher does.
 - Evangelism involves the element of teaching (pointing out truth), and modeling the truth so that converts have something to mimic and learn...

Hebrews 13:7

⁷ Remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of *their* conduct.

- “baptizing them in the name” – The result should be that souls submit to baptism...
 - We are not speaking aimlessly, but with a goal of conversion in mind...
 - This goal oriented mindset will product more disciples for our Master, Jesus Christ, because the goal of soul winning will influence your everyday behavior and conversation. Living with the **goal** of being a martus (martyr, witness) for Jesus will cause you to seek to lead conversations into the spiritual arena so that people can see their need for the free gift of salvation that is only received through Jesus and act on the need by becoming **disciples** (followers of Christ). 7 †††

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