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Dunamis is a Greek word. It means power. In scripture, it is usually used to describe the power of God working through His people. That power still exists and it lives inside of followers of Christ. Christ has empowered us to live with power in this big playground called earth. When you look at our world, it is not hard to see we are in need of a great move of God's power again. The problem is many people don't think this is possible anymore or maybe ever. But it has happened before.

The book of Acts is the historical account of the birth of the early church and the spreading of the Gospel all over the world. It is an incredible book and the stories in it could not be made up. You cannot study them without getting excited and dreaming of what God could do through us to change our world.

This is why we are going to study through a short section of this book. We will not come close to covering all of it, but I want to use a few sections of it to inspire us and make us dream of what could be. I want us to be challenged to be a part of the mission God has called us to so we can see our churches, families, schools, communities, and world changed.

Here is how the study will unfold:

Lesson 1: The Mission

Lesson 2: The Message

Lesson 3: The Response

Lesson 4: The Fallout

My goal in writing this study is to awaken the hearts of adults and young people alike to what could be. We have work to do and it is time we go to it. God is powerful and He has instilled some of that power in us. It is time we unleash that power. It is time we see a mighty move of God that we have not seen in a while and maybe never before. It is time for us to let God work in us and through us to change our world. Join with me as we embark on this life-changing journey.

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LESSON 1: THE MISSION

BEFORE WE READ, WHAT DO YOU THINK THE MISSION IS THAT CHRIST HAS FOR OUR LIVES?

Read Acts 1:1-8

1. **SOMETIMES WE HAVE TO _____.**

2. **WE HAVE A _____.**

   A. **WE ARE TO _____.**

   B. **WE SHARE THE GOSPEL IN OUR _____.**

   C. **WE SHARE THE GOSPEL IN OUR _____.**

   D. **WE SHARE THE GOSPEL TO THE _____.**

3. **_____WORKS.**

Read Acts 1: 9-14

4. **WE CANNOT DO THIS _____.**

Read Acts 1:15-26

LESSON 1
DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. Is there ever a time you have had to wait for God? What happened? What did you learn?

2. What is the mission of your church? Your youth group? Your small group?

3. Does it need to change in light of this lesson? How?

4. Have you ever shared the Gospel before? What happened?

5. If you have not shared the Gospel, why not? If you have, why have you not done it more?

6. Who do you need to share the Gospel with in your Jerusalem?

7. What would it look like for you to share the Gospel in your Samaria? What group or person would that involve?

8. What ways is your group involved in sharing the Gospel to the ends of the Earth?

9. Do you have community or are you doing the Christian life alone?

10. Take sometime to talk about community and maybe finding accountability/ministry partners. Then take a few moments to pray like you never have before for each other, for the lost, for your community, for your church, for the world, etc.

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