

The Book of Acts:

*The Birth, Growth, and
Expansion of the Church*

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Immortal, Invisible, God only Wise

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Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
in light inaccessible hid from our eyes.

Most blessed, most glorious,
the Ancient of Days,
Almighty, victorious,
Thy great name we praise.

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Unresting, unhasting, and silent as light,
nor wanting, nor wasting,
Thou rulest in might;

Thy justice, like mountains,
high soaring above
Thy clouds, which are fountains
of goodness and love.

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To all, life Thou givest,
to both great and small,
in all life Thou livest, the true life of all;

We blossom and flourish
as leaves on the tree,
and wither and perish,
but naught changeth Thee.

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Great Father of glory, pure Father of light,
Thine angels adore Thee,
all veiling their sight;

All praise we would render,
O help us to see
'tis only the splendor of light hideth Thee!

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- Acts 1:8– “ . . . And you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”
 - I. The Witness of the Church in Jerusalem (chaps. 1–7)
 - II. The Witness of the Church in Judea & Samaria (chaps. 8–12)
 - III. The Witness of the Church to the Ends of the Earth (chaps. 13–28)

The “Prologue” (Acts 1:1-5)

- *3 Significant Points:*

1. It is a sequel to his former book.
2. Jesus’ life & ministry would be continued through the apostles in the power of the Holy Spirit.
3. The ministries of the apostles & the future disciples would be empowered by the Holy Spirit in witness of Christ.

The Day of Pentecost in Acts 2

- *3 Phenomena Occurred:*

1. They heard a sound like the blowing of a violent wind.
2. They saw what seemed like “tongues of fire.”
3. They were filled with the Holy Spirit and were speaking in different languages.

Peter's Sermon on the Day of Pentecost in Acts 2

- His 2 Major Points:
 1. God does pour forth His Spirit upon man.
 2. Anyone who will call upon the risen Lord through repentance would be saved.

Meaning of “Repentance”

- “Repentance”—n. (Gk. *metanoia*)
- “Repent”—v. (Gk. *metanoēō*)
- “Change of Mind & Heart”
- Change of mind & heart—*emphasis*
- Change of conduct—*result*
- Acts 2:38; 3:19; 5:31; 8:22; 11:18; 13:24; 17:30; 19:4; 20:21; 26:20