

Living as a Minority 1: Power Promised

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Living as a Minority: Week 1
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Mk 16:15-16, 19-20; Acts 1:1-26 (Focus: Acts 1.6-8)

Introduction

CCT: Christ's saving mission _____
through His beloved, the Church.

Acts 1:6-8

As we live out our lives in Christ in these challenging times, what can we learn from this?

I. Don't Freak Out

Acts 1:6-7 (ESV)

II. You Will Be of Me Witnesses

Acts 1:8

A. Jesus is the Author and Content of The Mission

1. He presented himself alive

Acts 1:3

2nd Article of The Creed: Explanation (LSB, 322-323)

2. *My* witnesses

A typical Greek construction:

“witnesses of me you will be.”

As found in Acts 1:8:

You will be of me witnesses

What’s the focus of the witness?

B. What is a Witness?

Greek word for witness = *martyres*.

C. The Holy Spirit is the Power

John 16:13–14 (ESV)

¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth, for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴ He will glorify me, for he will take what is mine and declare it to you.

Please join us for an enriching experience at the
2016 St. Paul's Marriage Retreat

November 11 – 13, 2016

Love, Respect & Forgiveness



Cost per couple:

- + \$325 (**Early Bird Special**- If booked and paid **prior to 7/1/16**.
The first 25 to register are also guaranteed Lake View Rooms)
- + \$350 (If booked **after 7/1/16**)
- + This low cost includes 2 nights stay and a Dinner Buffet for two on Saturday night!

Where: Blue Harbor Resort

725 Blue Harbor Drive, Sheboygan, WI 53081

<http://www.blueharborresort.com>

www.visitsheboygan.com

The **Registration Form** can be found on www.splco.org.

Questions?

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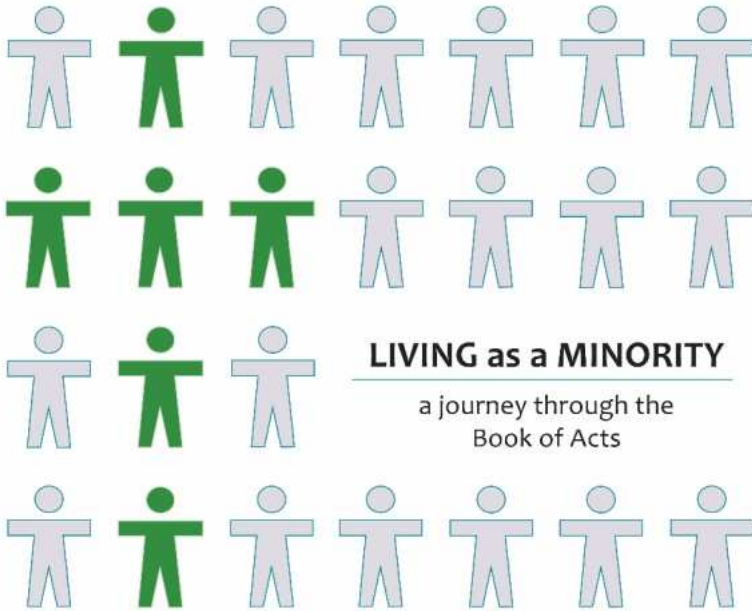
June 9th - 11th

Start collecting all of those items that are no longer needed, no longer fit or no longer are used!

Bring your donations to St. Paul's starting Sunday, June 5th from 12:00 pm – 2:00 pm. You can also drop off items Tuesday the 7th and Wednesday the 8th from 9:00 am until 11:00 am. If you are unable to bring larger items in such as tables, couches, etc..., call Ben Mueller (262-370-6575) and we can arrange a pick-up from your home. Your donations are needed and are very important!

Please support the Youth Program!

Begins this week!



Small Group Bible Studies

Small group studies correspond to each week's sermon, providing additional opportunities for fellowship, learning, and growth.

See back of this announcement for more details.



Small Group Bible Studies

During the summer months, at present, three small groups will meet. We anticipate at least two more groups beginning after Labor Day.

Each week small group leaders will dialogue with the preaching pastor and prepare to lead discussions in their homes or other locations.

DATES, TIMES, AND LOCATIONS

Tuesdays, 10:30 a.m.

8 seats available.

Chuck & Jan Muecke, leaders

W293 Belleview Ave. Oconomowoc

Thursdays, 7:00 p.m.

6 seats available.

Dina Tanner & Gary Ketchum, leaders

438 River Bluff Circle. Oconomowoc

Sundays (1 week delayed), 9:30 am

Open, with 10-15 seats available.

Pastoral staff, leaders

St. Paul's Library (Room #201)

"1 week delayed" means the small group discussion is based on *previous week*.

Other classes may be announced

Please register with the church secretary, 262-567-5001, to secure your opportunity.

D. The Route is Pre-planned

Jerusalem-Judea, Samaria, End of the Earth

1. Jerusalem and Judea

2. Samaria

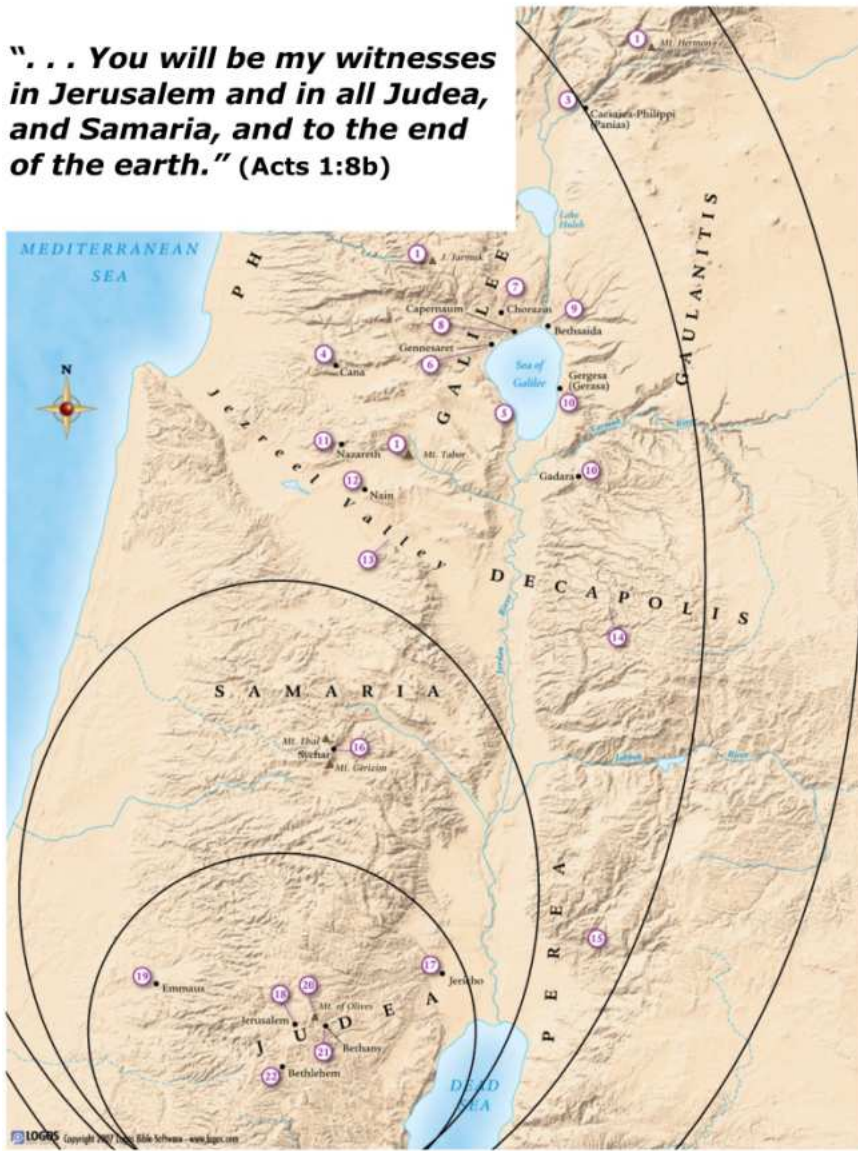
3. End of the Earth

Conclusion

Romans 5:8 (ESV)

⁸ but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

“ . . . You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” (Acts 1:8b)



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