

Acts: Christ's Continued Mission by the Spirit through the Church

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10:45 am Morning Worship Service

The book of Acts is volume two of a complete but incomplete work on the mission of Jesus (Acts 1:1-2, _____)

- Both volumes were carefully researched and written down by Luke
 - Who wrote Luke and Acts? _____
 - When did Luke write Acts? _____
 - How did Luke write his gospel and Acts?
 - He did so aware _____ had previously written about the life and ministry of Jesus
 - He did so as an inspired _____ generation historical _____, not an eyewitness of the life and ministry of Jesus
 - He did so _____
- Both volumes are addressed to one individual with an intended wider audience
 - _____
 - All _____ of Jesus
- Both volumes are about the mission of Jesus
 - Luke: A record of the birth of _____ to the _____ of Jesus
 - Acts: A record of the ascension of Jesus to the _____ conclusion of Paul imprisoned in Rome
- Both volumes are focused on _____ believers of the truth they have been _____ (see Luke 1:4)

The book of Acts is structured generally around the witness of Christ advancing _____ (cf. Acts 1:8)

- The risen Christ's continued mission by the Spirit through the church in Jerusalem (1-7)
- The risen Christ's continued mission by the Spirit through the church in Judea and Samaria (8-12)
- The risen Christ's continued mission by the Spirit through the church to the remotest parts of the earth (13-28)

The book of Acts can be summarized in this way: _____

- Acts is Historical
- Acts emphasizes God's sovereignty
- Acts records the proclamation and advancement of God's Kingdom
- Acts demonstrates God advancing His kingdom through Jesus
- Acts displays Jesus' continued ministry
- Acts underscores Spirit empowered ministry
- Acts is a history of the Apostolic church and its establishment
- Acts is designed to build certainty about the Truth
- Acts models the need for prayer
- Acts illustrates what it means to be a witness to the truth of Jesus
- Acts confirms that Jesus is the Christ
- Acts proclaims Jesus as the risen Lord