

Sunday – January 28, 2024



"No One Left Behind"
Acts 2:22-47

"The phrase, "No one is left behind" is familiar to many. Used by the military, businesses, non-profits to show they want to help everyone succeed. The last part of the phrase, not as common, "to fall into the hands of the enemy." The early church understood this. Their desire was to proclaim Jesus, because they knew the consequences to others if they did not.

KEY VERSE:

"And Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. *Acts 2:38*

Who may I be leaving behind?

I AM EMPOWERED TO PROCLAIM JESUS _____

Read *Acts 2:22-24*

I can speak with _____.

What aspects of my faith can I speak to someone with confidence? What parts of my faith am I afraid to talk about? Why?

I am empowered to tell people what they _____ to _____.

Read *Acts 2:36-38*

I can call for _____.

In your own words, write down your definition of repentance.

In what areas have I seen repentance at work in my life? Where does it need to be at work?

What is my understanding of hell? How often do I think of it as a real place for real people I may know? _____ How desperate am I not to see people I know there? What am I doing about it? Read *Luke 16:23, Rev. 20:13,14*.

Have I ever prayed a prayer similar to this? Do I need to?

"Dear Lord Jesus, I know that I am a sinner, and I ask for Your forgiveness. I believe You died for my sins and rose from the dead. I turn from my sins and invite You to come into my heart and life. I want to trust and follow You as my Lord and Savior. I pray in Jesus Name. Amen."

I am empowered to _____ with others.

Read *Acts 2:42-47*.

I can _____ with others.

Luke describes life in the early church. This life changed the course of a civilization. As you read this section, what parts of church life stand out to you? Which parts do you see missing? Which parts do you need to step into in your own life?

TODAY:

- Have I repented of my sins and confessed Jesus as Savior and Lord of my Life? What is keeping you from doing so?
- Have I been baptized to publicly declare my allegiance to Jesus?
- Who have I left behind to fall into the enemy's hands? What will I do about it?

Next Week: "Service Above Self"