

# The Week in the Word

## Overview of the Book of Acts

Study Period: October 14-19

Link Group Meetings: October. 20-26

In just a few weeks we will begin an exciting study through the Book of Acts.

There are really **four** parts to the Study:

1. Your personal time in the Word, studying the worksheets each week.
2. The sermon
3. Your Link group discussion
4. Your personal application of the things you learn.

As you apply yourself in the months ahead, this book will become a source of joy and encouragement to you, as you see the wonderful things God is able to do through his servants.

1. **This week, read Acts chapters 1-12. A couple of chapters a day is a good pace.**
2. **Look at these passages to learn about Luke, the author of Acts: Colossians 4:14, 2 Timothy 4:9-11, Philemon 23-24, and Luke 1:1-4. Describe him from the things you discover.**
3. **What do you know about what the world was like at the time this book was written?**
4. **What previous impressions, if any, have you had about the book of Acts in regard to (a) its content, (b) its level of difficulty, and (c) its importance?**
5. **In Luke 1:3-4, notice how Luke indicates his *purpose in* writing his gospel. Compare that passage with the opening verses in Acts, where no such direct statement is made. If Luke *had* written a clear statement of the purpose for this book, what do you think it might have said?**

**6. Extra Credit Blessing: Give a one-sentence summary of each chapter.**

Ch. 1

Ch. 2

Ch. 3

Ch. 4

Ch. 5

Ch. 6

Ch. 7

Ch. 8

Ch. 9

Ch. 10

Ch. 11

Ch. 12

**7. How can you make sure that your study in the book of Acts is not just theoretical and intellectual, but truly practical and helpful to you? What can you do to help keep the process alive and interesting?**