

# Small Group Questions

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*Week of Sunday, October 8th, 2023*

## Launch

What's the most adventurous trip you've ever been on?

## Observe (READ Acts 1:1-3)

1. What does Acts 1:1 tell us was the motivation of Luke to write the Gospel of Luke? What does he say in Luke 1:1-4?
2. What is Luke's understanding about Jesus from the events and details that he includes here in these three verses? What, according to Luke, has taken place with regard to Jesus?
3. Who does the text (vs.2) say are the primarily agents of Christ's continuing Kingdom?

## Process (READ Acts 1:4-11)

1. Acts 1:8 is really the theme verse for all of the book of Acts. Combined with the details we looked at in the first three verses, what is the role of:
  1. Jesus
  2. The Holy Spirit
  3. The Apostles

in fulfilling the gospel witness from Jerusalem to the world?

2. What we do not see in these early verses, but which Acts will feature prominently later in the book, is the Church. Looking at verse 5, what role does the Church today play as an extension of the mission given to the Apostles in verse 8?

## Respond

1. How is the Church doing with this mission? How is GBC doing with this mission? Where can we grow? Can you share examples?
2. Many see Acts 1:8 as a repeated Great Commission from Matthew 28:19-20. How is a dependance on the leading of the Holy Spirit clear in both texts? Are you prone to try to obey these verse on your own strength? Can you give examples when you've "leaned" on the Lord to use you?
3. How is this mission given to us, on behalf of the world, the most important thing? Where in your life can you give greater priority to faithfulness to Gospel mission? What other priorities or pursuits may have become more important than they should?