

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES 1.

Read the chapter. **Acts** is the WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. I said in **John 21** *The cross is now VICTORY.*” Verse **1 of Acts...***of all that Jesus began both to do and to teach. Until the day in which He was taken up, after that He through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles...* From now on the apostles are to wait on the Holy Ghost to be baptized with the Holy Ghost. Then Jesus left for Heaven. The two angels told the apostles *this same Jesus, which is taken up from you to Heaven, shall so come in like manner as you have seen Him go into Heaven.*

The apostles return to Jerusalem (120 of them) and they look back what Judas did, the baptism of John and they appointed Matthias as the twelfth apostle. We all like to do that; churches do that all the time. Unfortunately Matthias did not count. Jesus chose Paul. At this point I want to say that no one should go out into the mission work unless they have had a clear direction and voice of the Lord Jesus. No one patriarch did anything for God until they had an encounter with The Holy One of Israel, the Messiah, not one.

ACTS 2.

Read the chapter. The promised Holy Spirit arrives. He comes as tongues of fire and they are filled and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. See **Holy Spirit** on the workings of the Holy Spirit. *And how hear we every man in our own tongue, wherein we were born.* Then Peter preaches under the unction of the Holy Spirit and quotes Joel *And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy: And I will shew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke: The sun shall be turned into darkness and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come: it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the NAME of the Lord shall be saved. HIS NAME IS JESUS!* Peter preaches about David and David's words about the resurrection and exaltation of Christ *that His soul was not left in hell, neither His flesh did see corruption,* David proving the Lordship of Jesus in **Psalm 110**. So? **REPENT AND BE BAPTIZED EVERY ONE OF YOU IN THE NAME OF JESUS CHRIST FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS, AND YOU SHALL RECEIVE THE GIFT OF THE HOLY GHOST.** Three thousand souls were saved. *And all that believed were together, and had all things common; And sold their possessions and goods, and parted them to all men, as every man had need...Praising God...* **ACTS IS THE WORKS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT THROUGH MEN IN JESUS' NAME.**

ACTS 3.

Read the chapter. The reason I put my photo I took of the Gate Beautiful opening the TeleGospel web site is because it is so a part of our hope of Jesus' return through it. Peter and John BELIEVED God and started to go out in the HOLY SPIRIT *In the Name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth rise up and walk* and healed the lame man there. The Gate Beautiful is where Jesus the Messiah will walk through to fulfill all the prophecies from Samuel... *And in your seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed*. To the Jew first, that he may turn away from his iniquities, then to the Gentile. Peter and John now are forerunners of the Christian walk (like Jesus, do what He did, say what He did, act like He did—like God) salvation, healing, deliverance, now the children's bread.

ACTS 4.

Read the chapter. With salvation, healing, and deliverance also comes persecution. But Peter, full of the Holy Spirit, preached *...This (Jesus) is the stone which was set at nought of you builders, which is become the head of the corner. Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved*. The persecutors decided that the name JESUS cannot be spoken of nor taught. *Neither was there any among them that lacked...lands or houses sold them...And laid them down at the apostles' feet: and distribution was made unto every man according as he had need*. This liberality is between a grateful man and his God.

ACTS 5.

Read the chapter. A couple conspired to withhold an amount of money and to lie to the Holy Spirit and to Peter. Both dropped dead and the fear was so dreadful that many received Jesus for their sins and many miracles were wrought even by Peter's shadow passing by the multitudes who came from Jerusalem and cities, sick folks and them with unclean spirits and they were all healed.. These apostles were thrown in prison and encountered angels who opened the prison doors setting them free to preach in the temple. Now the whole city council and temple priests know of Jesus' work. The council of course had forbidden the apostles to speak in *that Name (Jesus)*. They were going to kill them but Gamaliel, a doctor of the law, with a good reputation spoke to the council *If this counsel or this work be of men it will come to nought; But if it be of God, you cannot overthrow it; lest haply you be found even to fight against God*. (Many today are coming against God's beloved and are found fighting against God. They cannot prevail.)

ACTS 6.

Read the chapter. With so many disciples, it was necessary to delegate some disciples to looking after widows, some to feed the brethren and do the usual daily chores, and seven were appointed and anointed for prayer and ministry of the Word. Stephen, full of faith and power, did great wonders and miracles among the people. The devil was

mad and set up persecution against Stephen.

ACTS 7.

Read the chapter. What preaching! From Abraham to Isaac, to Jacob (Israel) to Joseph in Egypt, to Moses' fire in the burning bush, to the deliverance, the miracles, the idolatry of the golden calf in the wilderness, the tabernacle built in the wilderness, to Solomon's temple, *Howbeit the most High dwells not in temples made with hands; as said the prophet, Heaven is my throne, and earth is my footstool: ... Stephen continues: Which of the prophets have not your fathers persecuted?...slain them...betrayers and murderers...received the LAW ...and have not kept it...* Stephen, full of the Holy Ghost, looked up and saw JESUS standing on the right hand of the Father. Stephen was stoned. He fell asleep as he is calling out to Jesus. Like Jesus, Stephen cried with loud voice *Lord, lay not this sin to their charge.*

Watching this AND CONSENTING TO THIS was SAUL. We are introduced to the future, now named Paul, who was given the privilege of writing about Jesus to the Jews and to the gentiles and about the work of the Holy Spirit.

ACTS 8.

Read the chapter. The Church started in violence and so it will end with beheadings, etc. In violence. Saul threw men and women into prison; many of the disciples went abroad preaching the word. Philip went to the city of Samaria and preached Christ *...Philip spoke, [the people] hearing and seeing the miracles which he did. For unclean spirits, crying with loud voice, came out of many that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame, were healed.* Peter and John were sent to Samaria to help Philip. Peter and John laid hands on the people and the people received the Holy Ghost. Simon (the sorcerer) wanted to buy this Holy Spirit power with money but Peter and John rebuked him. Peter and John returned to Jerusalem but Philip, sent of the Lord, went toward Gaza, south, meeting an Ethiopian eunuch of great authority, preached to him Jesus. Philip baptized him in water after the eunuch confessed Jesus is the son of God. Philip was translated (caught away by the Lord) to Azotus preaching to all the cities and up to Caesarea. I'm telling you everything that the disciples did, you can, as a disciple of Jesus that is full of the Holy Spirit.

ACTS 9.

Read the chapter. Saul's plans to kill more disciples came to an end when Jesus came to him. Ananias in Damascus, heard of the arrival of Saul and Saul's reputation. Ananias questioned the Lord but Jesus told him that *he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel: FOR I WILL SHOW HIM HOW GREAT THINGS HE MUST SUFFER FOR MY NAME'S SAKE.* Ananias laid his hands on Saul and Saul was baptized in the Holy Ghost and then he was

baptized in water.

So it is hearing the Word, then baptisms; Spirit then water, or water then Spirit; or baptized at the same time like Jesus was by John the Baptist and God the Father. You have two choices, but probably there are more, much, much more ways to be baptized in the Holy Spirit. From Damascus to Jerusalem Saul preached Jesus, but now Saul was chased by killers. When the brethren knew, they brought him to Caesarea and to Tarsus. Peace and rest came to the churches with fear of the Lord and comfort of the Holy Ghost. Peter did mighty miracles in Lydda and Saron many turned to the Lord. He also raised from the dead one Dorcas, much beloved in Joppa. Because of that many came to Jesus.

ACTS 10.

Read the chapter. Knowledge of the scriptures happens this way; line upon line, precept upon precept. My *line* is this: I want you to see JESUS. I cannot know it all but this little bit of WORD or PRECEPT will allow you to know Him better. It will take eternity to know Him; I don't know what eternity is in my time. In this chapter Peter, a Jew, had to learn a valuable lesson: God who sent His Son, Jesus Christ, to Israel for Peace, is the God of ALL.

I was in Jerusalem once at the Wailing Wall when a lady from New York introduced herself to me. With her was a young man dressed in black with curls on the side of his face, like our son had but cut them off. I extended my hand to shake his and this young rascal refused my hand in friendship. I thought to myself: God chose Israel; He committed to them the oracles of God, this young man should have welcomed me and ALL mankind in a hand of friendship. God is the Lord of ALL. Now I realized that only through the Holy Spirit's vision to Peter (because Peter had the same attitude) through revelation knowledge can ALL of God's creation be accepted and led to the Prince of Peace, Jesus. Cornelius, a Roman centurion of the Italian band, was received by God, and so was his household.

ACTS 11.

Read the chapter. The followers of Jesus, who were Jewish, did not know that God, who had given the oracles of His Word to His chosen, would now include the gentile. God had always warned His chosen, the Jews, not to associate themselves with the others, *the gentiles*, but now Peter tells them how God showed him *Then remembered I the word of the Lord, how that he said, John indeed baptized with water; but you shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost.* One other point I want to mention, a prophet, Agabus, said that there was going to be terrible famine throughout all the world. It happened. Into Judaea, Barnabas and Saul brought relief from the brethren in Antioch. So here we have the work of the Holy Spirit through the disciples in prophecy.

ACTS 12.

Read the chapter. The persecution of the church by King Herod saw James the brother of John killed by a sword. Peter was picked up and put into prison but the Angel of the Lord freed Peter while the Church was praying. Even the church had a hard time believing but Peter assured them that it was the truth. Herod was angry and when the people started calling Herod a god, the Lord killed him because Herod did not give God the glory.

ACTS 13.

Read the chapter. Barnabas and Saul (Paul) are sent away in the work of the Lord; the Church fasted and prayed and laid hands on Barnabas and Saul. After much travel they came to the isle of Paphos where Saul rebuked a sorcerer for offering money for the power of the Holy Spirit. Paul said: *O full of all subtilty and mischief, you child of the devil, you, enemy of all righteousness, will you not cease to pervert the right ways of the Lord? And now, behold, the hand of the Lord is upon you, and you shall be blind, not seeing the sun for a season.* Through more travel they came to Antioch and went into the Synagogue and preached on the forefathers and Kings that Israel had and how Jesus Christ, the Saviour, is the One that forgives all sins and justifies all things from which you could not be justified by the law of Moses.

The rulers of the synagogue invited them to speak; *... You men and brethren, if you have any word of exhortation for the people, say on.* Then Paul stood up, and beckoning with his hand said "Men of Israel, and you that fear God, give audience. The God of this people of Israel chose our fathers, and exalted the people when they dwelt as strangers in the land of Egypt, and with a high arm brought He them out of it. And about the time of 40 years suffered he their manners in the wilderness. And when He had destroyed seven nations in the land of Canaan, He divided their land to them by lot. And after that He gave them judges about the space of 450 years, until Samuel the prophet. And afterward they desired a king; and God gave unto them Saul the son of Kish, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, by the space of 40 years. And when He had removed him, He raised up unto them David to be their king; to whom also He gave testimony, and said *I have found David the son of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfill my will.* Of this man's seed has God according to His promise raised unto Israel a Saviour, Jesus: When John had first preached before His coming the baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel. And as John fulfilled his course, he said 'Who do you think that I am? I am not He. But, behold, there comes one after me, whose shoes of His feet I am not worthy to loose'. Men and brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and whosoever among you fears God, to you is the Word of this salvation sent. For they that dwell in Jerusalem, and their rulers, because they knew Him not, nor yet the voices of the prophets which are read every sabbath day, they have fulfilled them in condemning Him. And though they found no cause of death in Him, yet desired they Pilate that He should be slain. And when they had fulfilled all that was written of Him, they took Him down from the

tree, and laid Him in a sepulchre. But God raised Him from the dead: And He was seen many days of them which came up with Him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are His witnesses unto the people. And we declare unto you glad tidings, how that the promise which was made unto the fathers, God has fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that He has raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in second psalm, *You are my Son, this day have I begotten You.* And as concerning that He raised Him up from the dead, now no more to return to corruption, He said on this wise, *I will give you the sure mercies of David.* Wherefore He said also in another psalm *You shall not suffer your Holy One to see corruption.* For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption: But He, whom God raised again, saw no corruption. Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren, that through this Man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins; And by Him all that believe are justified from all things, from which you could not be justified by the law of Moses. Beware therefore, lest that come upon you, which is spoken of in the prophets; *Behold, you despisers, and wonder, and perish: for I work a work in your days, a work which you shall in no wise believe, though a man declare it unto you.* Many believed but others expelled them from the city and the disciples shook off the dust off their feet against them and went to Iconium full of joy and with the Holy Ghost.

ACTS 14.

Read the chapter. In Iconium there was persecution in spite of all the signs and wonders done with their hands. Because they knew the unbelievers were going to stone them, they fled to Lystra and Derbe where they preached to them and a man impotent in his feet was healed, and he was leaping and walking as a sign of faith. The people in their superstition said that Jupiter and Mars were Barnabas and Paul so their priest was going to sacrifice oxen but the apostles ran into the crowd preaching *Sirs, why do you do these things?...you should turn from these vanities unto the living God which made heaven and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein:...* Then from Antioch and the unbelievers from Iconium came and stoned Paul and drew him out of the city supposing he was dead but as the disciples stood around him, he rose up. He then went to Derbe AND RETURNED AGAIN TO LYSTRA, ICONIUM AND ANTIOCH. Don't you think there was fear in those that stoned Paul? But he went *confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting...and that we must through MUCH TRIBULATION ENTER INTO THE KINGDOM OF GOD.*

ACTS 15.

Read the chapter. There was dissension about circumcision. Circumcision was a *sign* of righteousness that Abraham believed God. Now the elders knew that JESUS IN US was our righteousness. Circumcision was under the Law. The elders wrote to the church to that effect. Paul and Barnabas separate with much contention but God was going to use them in different parts of the world.

ACTS 16,

Read the chapter. So why did Paul circumcise Timothy? He probably did it because Timothy was among the Jewish people more than the gentiles. I'll have to ask him when I see him in Heaven. Paul and Timothy, under the direction of the Holy Spirit, went from city to city, but were not allowed to go to Asia or Bithynia by the same Holy Spirit. He, the Holy Spirit, gave Paul a night vision, a dream, to go to Macedonia. Paul by the riverside, spoke to Lydia, a merchant, and she and her household got saved and water baptized. Paul DELIVERED a psychic-reading demon, a girl; this brought beatings and jail term. At jail when Paul and Silas were praying and praising, Would to God that when Christians are persecuted that they would pray and praise God instead of wailing and carrying on as if they had no hope. Whether in the body or out of the body, we are to pray and praise God. God opened prison doors by an earthquake. The keeper would have killed himself but instead he got saved, took them to his house and washed their wounds. We need more earthquakes to put the fear of God into us!

ACTS 17.

Read the chapter. Paul is persecuted AFTER going into a synagogue in Thessalonica. They followed him to Berea so Paul had to go to Athens. Paul noticed Athens was idolatrous, but because the Athenians were always into new things, Paul preached about their UNKNOWN GOD, Jesus. God gave Paul wisdom when Paul needed it. I want you to notice this: Paul operated, as did the disciples, in the Holy Spirit, here in wisdom, in **Acts 16** in discernment and in deliverance. All these gifts are available to us NOW.

ACTS 18.

Read the chapter. Paul makes tents with Priscilla and Aquila. Silas and Timothy came and fortified Paul, so to speak, and when Paul declared in the synagogue that Jesus was Christ, the people blasphemed and Paul gave up on them and went to Justus, and Crispus the chief ruler synagogue, who were baptized. It was such a bad time for Paul that the Lord Jesus came to encourage Paul to preach. Jesus did this many times with Paul: so you can imagine how discouraged Paul would get. Come'ona my house!

ACTS 19.

Read the chapter. Paul gives the Holy Spirit to those that were disciples of John by the laying on of hands. For two years Paul preached in Asia about the Lord Jesus Christ with special miracles were wrought, even by handkerchiefs evil spirits and diseases went out. Sceva, a chief priest of a synagogue, with his seven sons tried delivering a demoniac, the demoniac quickly overtook them all saying *Jesus I know and Paul I know, but who are you?* Paul gets in trouble with the Ephesians over Diana, the idol, with a silversmith who made a living making idols. Only the Holy Spirit could deliver this one, continuing the miracles.

ACTS 20.

Read the chapter. Paul, with a few disciples, preaches all over Macedonia, Greece, Asia, Troas, Philippi. In Troas, a man fell off and out the window and died. Paul resurrected him and then they ate together. Paul departed to Ephesus to say goodbye to the elders because he knew he would not see them again.

ACTS 21.

Read the chapter. Paul was on a missionary trip, sailing, going to Lebanon and then Cyprus, landing in Tyre; Paul is warned by the disciples not to go up to Jerusalem. Paul visited in Caesarea with Philip the evangelist and stayed with him. Philip had four daughters, virgins, which prophesied. Again, Paul was warned, this time by Agabus, a certain prophet, not to go to Jerusalem. Thus saith the Holy Ghost, So shall the Jews at Jerusalem bind the man...deliver him into the hands of the Gentiles. The third time the disciples asked him not to go. Dear Paul! *...I am ready not to be bound only, but also to die at Jerusalem for the Name of the Lord Jesus.* Paul and several of the disciples stayed in Jerusalem with friends and brethren, including *Mnason of Cyprus, an old disciple.* There was much sharing of how Paul ministered to the Gentiles and how the Holy Spirit did mighty works among them. Then Paul was accused, thrown out of the Temple, and they were going to kill him just like the Holy Spirit said. And so the Romans saved him from a Temple riot by binding him with two chains, and he asks the captain if he could speak in Hebrew since Paul is a Jew of Tarsus, a citizen. The captain said he could speak. So now Jerusalem knows that the HOLY SPIRIT is saving gentiles and doing miracles with them throughout Asia.

ACTS 22.

Read the chapter. Before I say anything else, here it is: Paul is Rachel's grand child; many grands ago! Do you get it? Benjamin, the second love child (Joseph being the first) of Jacob and Rachel) have brought forth a missionary that filled most of the NEW TESTAMENT of the *New Covenant: Love God and Love Your Neighbour as Yourself*, not just to the chosen people, but to the rest of humanity that God created. (Joseph was a type of Jesus Christ: Joseph saved all of Israel from destruction AND most of the population of EGYPT: a type of the world, the gentiles).

Paul (full of the Holy Spirit) declares in Hebrew how he was saved. Paul is a very educated man, taught by Gamaliel the law of the fathers, very zealous toward God. He told them that he persecuted the Christian (Jews), killing them, sending men and women to prison. On his way to Damascus SUDDENLY there shone from heaven a great light round about me. And I fell unto the ground, and heard a voice saying to me *Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me? And I answered, Who are you, Lord? And He said to me, I AM Jesus of Nazareth, whom you are persecuting.* Those that were with Paul saw a great light but did not hear His voice. *What shall I do Lord? And the Lord said to me, Arise, and go into Damascus; and there it shall be told you of all things which are*

appointed for you to do. Ananias, a devout man according to the law came to Paul. Because Paul had been blinded from the great Light of Jesus, Ananias, in the Holy Ghost, laid hands on Paul and Paul received his sight. Then Ananias said *The God of our fathers has chosen you that you should know His will and see the Just One, and should hear the voice of His mouth. For you shall be His witness unto all men of what you have seen and heard...arise, and be baptized, and wash away your sins, calling on the Name of the Lord...And...again...to Jerusalem..prayed in the temple, I was in a trance; And I saw Him saying to me, Make haste, and get yourself quickly out of Jerusalem: for they will not receive your testimony concerning Me.* Paul answered and said Lord, they know that I imprisoned and beat in every synagogue them that believed on Him (Jews in the Messiah). Then Jesus sent him to the Gentiles. He is bound to prison but the captain found out from Paul that Paul was a Roman citizen.

ACTS 23.

Read the chapter. Paul, in great tribulation and distress, again is visited by Jesus who has done this many, many times with Paul because of the distresses and tribulation he's in. *Be of good cheer, Paul: for as you have testified of me in Jerusalem, so must you bear witness also at Rome* There were those that were banded together to kill Paul. However Paul's nephew warned the centurion and Paul's life was spared according to the Word from Jesus.

ACTS 24.

Read the chapter. A certain orator named Tertullus, who informed the governor against Paul, started to accuse Paul that he was a pestilent fellow and a mover of sedition among all the Jews throughout the world (a little exaggeration here), and a ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes...profane the temple: whom we took, and would have judged according to our law. But the chief captain Lysias came upon us, and with great violence took him away out of our hands, (another exaggeration). Paul, in the Holy Spirit, advises Felix that what Tertullus said was false and that Tertullus and his friends cannot prove anything against Paul. Paul said that he believes in the God of his fathers...which are written in the law and in the prophets:...that there shall be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and the unjust. Paul also told him that he brought alms and offerings to the temple. Felix and his Jewish wife Drusilla, after some days, sent for Paul and heard Paul concerning the faith in Christ. Felix was hoping Paul would give him some money but Paul did not. *But after two years Porcius Festus came into Felix' room: and Felix, willing to show the Jews a pleasure, left Paul bound.* Remember Paul must have TIME to write.

ACTS 25.

Read the chapter. Paul is declared innocent by Festus; although the religious ones tried to kill Paul to stop him from witnessing about Jesus, they could not prove it. Paul witnessed to Festus *But had certain questions against him of their own superstition,*

and of one Jesus, which was dead, whom Paul affirmed to be alive. Festus did tell King Agrippa that he did not find any fault in Paul. You will notice here that the prophecy from Jesus was that Paul was going to suffer for His Name's sake.

ACTS 26.

Read the chapter. Now Paul is a witness to Jesus Christ before King Agrippa in Caesarea and as he tells King Agrippa about how he met Jesus and how he was a persecutor of the early Jews who became born-again. Paul told him that Jesus would deliver him from the people, and from *the Gentiles unto whom now I send you to open their eyes and to turn them from darkness to light, to light and from the power of satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.* Whereupon, O King Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto the heavenly vision: But showed first unto them of Damascus, and at Jerusalem, and throughout all the coasts of Judaea, and then to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, and do works meet for repentance. For these causes the Jews caught me in the temple, and went about to kill me. ..that Christ should suffer, and that He should be the first that should rise from the dead, and should show light unto the people and to the Gentiles. As Festus mocked Paul, Agrippa deemed Paul innocent but because Paul appealed to Caesar, Agrippa could not let him go free. The gospel had to be preached to all the rulers and to great and small so that there would be no doubt at all when judgment came.

ACTS 27.

Read the chapter. Paul, on his way to Rome, is looked after by Julius. Paul's warning to the centurion was not heeded and the ship in a terrible storm was lost, but according to Paul's account an angel of God appeared to him and told him no man would be lost. "And so it came to pass, that they escaped all safe to land."

ACTS 28.

Read the chapter. Paul, bitten by a viper. A miracle occurred because the natives knew a man dies when bitten by this particular viper: Paul did not die on that island. He did what the disciples did to preach the gospel: he healed the sick. When Paul got to Rome, he stayed with a soldier for three days, then he met with the elders of the synagogue and they invited him to speak. Paul prophesied from the book of **Isaiah**. He rented a house for two years and he preached the **Kingdom of God** and the Lord Jesus to all those that came to his home.

So far you will notice that EVERYTHING Jesus said to the disciples to do, the Holy Spirit IN THE NAME OF JESUS has done: healed, saved, delivered, whether it was leprosy, fever, withered hand, through handkerchiefs. Demon spirits, or even asps or vipers did not harm Paul. The Holy Spirit baptized them with new tongues. The disciples were subject to the Voice of the Holy Spirit and they did it.

Jesus said Go into all the world, preach the gospel to every creature. He that believes and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believes not shall be damned. And these sign shall follow them that believe; IN MY NAME shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.