

# Renewal & Prayer CG

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## Flow:

- Song & Dismissal (10 min)
- Mingle (5 min)
- Conquer Series promo (5 min)
- Preach (25 min)
- Sing (15 min)

## Mingle Question: What are your Spring Break plans?

We're bringing Tallgrass Prayer to Central Gathering!

What we long for:

- If you're a part of Tallgrass Church my guess is that you either a) have a relational connection here and/or b) you are longing for something different than the traditional Western church you've been exposed to at some point in your life.
  - We care about authentic community where we dig into each other's lives in the context of small groups and discipleship. We care about neighboring, meeting the people we live and work next to and desiring so much more for their lives than they are currently experiencing. We desire ever member a minister of the Gospel philosophy of ministry.
  - We want to be an awesome church.
  - We see the small growth that could blossom to be a beautiful and strong plant in the middle of our country.
  - **Story:** Maddox is always looking for new growth and then he points it out to me because he knows I love it.
    - Micro movements
    - Internal, spiritual growth is usually slow
    - But are we growing? Are you growing? Are you actually taking steps towards growth?
    - Or, are we subtly living out the Prosperity Gospel, you can tip your hat to spirituality but then live the American Dream (whatever that is to you) however YOU determine to live it?
    - As a culture, our self-care and me time IS NOT working.
- We see the beginnings of so many things in our church that could blossom to be amazing over time...but we're still in a struggle for survival as an almost two-year-old little church plant.
- We don't just want to survive, we want to thrive, but not just with people in the pews and money in the bank, or nickels and noses, or bucks and butts, as they say. We want to thrive by being about God's Kingdom advancing into this broken and hurting world. We want to thrive by living out the acts of Jesus in our place and time in history.
- We, our Elder Team, are longing for something different than we're experiencing now as a church. We are longing for much more than we are experiencing as a church right now. Unless God shows up our church will fail. Unless God shows up the mission in our city will fail. God will not fail. The Kingdom of God is advancing across the world. The gates of hell WILL NOT prevail against the Gospel. That's promised. However, the question is, "Will WE be a part of it? Will YOU be a part of it?"

## RENEWAL & PRAYER CG

- What we have found ourselves really longing for is RENEWAL. RENEWAL has been called REVIVAL or AWAKENING throughout church history. We're calling it RENEWAL.
- We want a church that will thrive and not just survive. Right now, we are in the midst of a question on whether or not this little, precious church plant will even survive...and that's ok. Actually, that's par for the course with a two-year-old church plant. This is tough work. This is God's work. This type of work is actively opposed by spiritual forces of darkness that are more real than most of us in this room have ever begun to imagine.
- My first task as a preacher is not to FEED the sheep but to help create HUNGER—so you will be motivated to find food and feed yourself. My task now is to help stir up HOLY DISCONTENT within you so you will be motivated to cry out to the Living God for help.

## HOLY DISCONTENT

- It has to be HOLY discontent. If it's just discontent it turns into self-righteousness and judgment and inaction and it looks like what you seen in your Facebook feed. But if it's HOLY discontent, meaning it's God-led and spiritually minded, then it leads to compassion and action.

### 1. With Culture

- Sexual confusion and immorality is shocking.
  - Several in both of my kids' classes are saying they are trans or bi or gay or gender fluid
  - God has a path for our sexual flourishing!
- Political correctness—We live in an ironic culture that says anything goes but if you offend me that's not ok. Such a fragile culture.
  - Pastor friend who tried to say, "Happy Valentine's Day!" to a woman and she got offended and he's saying, "I just want to love people and people are so easily offended that you can't hardly do anything to love people these days."
- Mental health crisis—Anxiety and depression
- Drug overdoses, suicide rates, inability to sleep, obesity
- We could tell story after story. And they hit close to home.
- Abortion epidemic
  - 46,413,319 between 1970 and 2016
  - Pro-life Super Bowl ad rejected—"We are the survivors of choice. We are the faces of choice."
  - Watch the movie *Unplanned*
- So I need to take my discontent with the culture and make it holy and have it drive me to my knees in prayer for Manhattan, KS, my city, my culture.

### 2. With the Church—The state of the Western Church should lead us to HOLY DISCONTENT!

- Conquer Series is geared towards men AND WOMEN who are IN THE CHURCH...struggling with the same things that people outside of the church are into.
- We prayed for lots of messy, cynical, and skeptical people. And now we have some. And now we are some. Now what? What are we going to do about our mess, our cynicism, and our skepticism together? What are we going to build together?
- I shared this with LIFE Group briefly on Wednesday and I'll share it here. I get so frustrated with people, even people in our own church but then I'm reminded of Dietrich Bonhoeffer's words in *Life Together*: "A pastor should not complain about his congregation, certainly never to other people, but also not to God. A congregation has not been entrusted to him in order that he should become its accuser before God and men." (p. 29)
- So I need to take my discontent with the church at large and my church in particular and make it holy and have it drive me to my knees in prayer for you, the church, our church, my church.

### 3. With Myself

- Holy discontent with the state of my own faith in relation to what God wants to do in this time in history.
- Am I comparing? Am I comparing myself to those around me? To the person next to me in the pew? To the typical person out there at the gym who's not honoring God? To the pastor of the large church that I harbor critique of their philosophy of ministry?
- Or am I comparing myself to the mighty men and women of God who have been used to spark renewal throughout history? Now that comparison is quite humbling...
- Holy Discontent with myself leads to conviction and response, not condemnation and shame.
- What's the role God has for me in this renewal we cry out for?
- Our self-care and our me time is not producing the abundant life we desire. Human flourishing comes through a life of sacrificial, self-giving love. At least that's what God thinks.
- So I need to take my discontent with myself and make it holy and have it drive me to my knees in prayer for me to love God and His way more than anything else.
- How do we get to RENEWAL? Renewal is born out of HOLY DISCONTENT that drives God's people to their knees in prayer. This has been true throughout history. And RENEWAL always begins with a REMNANT!

#### RENEWAL begins with a REMNANT.

- Remnant—a small remaining quantity of something; residue; leftovers
- When culture goes bad, a remnant remains. When the people of God go bad, a remnant remains.
- Abraham is called...
- Elijah is called...
- Jeremiah is called...
  - There's a fire shut up in his bones... Just turning, just turning. (Jeremiah 20:9)
- The Twelve are called...
- The 120 are called...
- Early church of Rome... **Romans 11:5** So too at the present time there is a remnant, chosen by grace.
- And so on and so forth...
- Consuming to contending—Consuming the things of this world to contending for the things of God.
- Is our church a remnant within Western Christianity? Are you part of a remnant within the church that God wants to use to bring about renewal, first renewal of you, then the church, and then our culture?
- Deep before wide so we can go wide with authority!
  - When we go deep in the quiet places eventually we will be able to go wide with the authority of Jesus.

### Acts 1:8—Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria, End of the Earth

**DEVOTED TO PRAYER—Acts 1:14a** All these with one accord were devoting themselves to prayer...

- Jerusalem, Judea and Samaria, End of the Earth—Holy Discontent with Culture, with Church, with Myself
- “For church leaders and for the church as a whole, prayer is not a duty – it is a joyful privilege; it is not a chore that can be taken care of by one-liners between praise songs, but a passionate desire for the presence of God.” –Schnabel, Eckhard J. *Exegetical Commentary on the New Testament*. Zondervan, 2012, p. 89.

## Prayer Logistics:

- Small groups with facilitators—Group of 5-7 people
  - Amalie Greeve, Dave Geldart, Dilan and Crystal Oglesby, Paxton LeMoine, Matthew Schmitz, Ron Goodman
- Read *Group Prayer Basics* by Tim Keller in your small group by going around the circle. This should take about four minutes.
- Please write down specific prayer requests as we go and turn them in to me or the Black Box. We'll revisit these in six months. These will be shared with our Tallgrass Prayer Team and Servant Leadership Team which is our LIFE Group leaders (which includes all our Elders and spouses) and Staff Team.

## Pray prayers that do three things (if answered):

1. Brag on God.
2. Encourage the saints.
3. Make the jaws of non-believers drop. We want to be a place that people come to get prayed for.

## Honor the King with the magnitude of your requests!

- You walk into Warren Buffet's house and he says, "What can I do for you?"
- You approach the Throne of grace and the Creator says, "What can I do for you?"
- Go big or go home! And God cares MORE about these things than you do. He wants to give good things to a people who are in relationship with Him.

## Cry out for Cultural Renewal

- **Psalm 66:3-4** <sup>3</sup>Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! So great is your power that your enemies come cringing to you. <sup>4</sup>All the earth worships you and sings praises to you; they sing praises to your name."
- **Ephesians 6:12** For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood enemies, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.
- What holy discontent is stirring in you with our culture?
- What is breaking God's heart in our culture?
- What wrongs do you want to see righted?

## Cry out for Church Renewal

- **Ephesians 5:13-16** <sup>13</sup> But when anything is exposed by the light, it becomes visible, <sup>14</sup> for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, “Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.” <sup>15</sup> Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, <sup>16</sup> making the best use of the time, because the days are evil.
- What holy discontent is stirring in you with our church?
- What is breaking God’s heart in our church?
- What great opportunities are before our church?
  - Cry out for more of what God wants in our church.
  - Implore God to help us move from consuming to contending.
- Ask God, “How do YOU long to use TALLGRASS CHURCH to advance YOUR Kingdom?”
- Ben’s Specific Prayer Requests (this is all I have faith for right now):
  - **75 average at Central Gathering by Easter:** We average 40-50 adults on a Sunday afternoon. Let’s pray that we get to an average of 75 adults. What would it take for Tallgrass Church to average 75 adults at our Central Gathering? How would that impact the overall experience and feel of our time together?
  - **Move to Sunday mornings by summer:** We’ve met at 5pm on Sundays and we now meet at 4pm on Sundays. All data that we’ve looked at and our own experience is increasingly telling us that it is imperative that we get to Sunday mornings for our Central Gathering.

## Cry out for Personal Renewal

- **Jeremiah 20:9** If I say, “I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name,” there is in my heart as it were a burning fire shut up in my bones, and I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot.
  - Cry out for a holy discontent like Jeremiah had for the things of God.
- What holy discontent is stirring in you with yourself?
- What is breaking God’s heart with your lack of response to Him?
- What great opportunities are before you?
- Where are you struggling? Where do you need God to show up?
- What affections do you desire to have?
- What are you passionate about?
- Ask God, “How do YOU long to use ME to advance YOUR Kingdom?”

PRAY Ephesians 3:14-21

The acts of Jesus continued...

# The Chopping Block:

## Ideas:

- Specific Prayer Requests
  - **75 average at Central Gathering by Easter:** We average 40-50 adults on a Sunday afternoon. Let's pray that we get to an average of 75 adults. What would it take for Tallgrass Church to average 75 adults at our Central Gathering? How would that impact the overall experience and feel of our time together?
    - When we met with College Heights Baptist Church we had just under 70 adults in here but it felt so much fuller. Maybe it was because we met on a Sunday morning. Maybe it was because I was rockin' the organ.
    - *Leadership and Church Size Dynamics: How Strategy Changes with Growth* by Dr. Timothy Keller—<https://seniorpastorcentral.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/11/Tim-Keller-Size-Dynamics.pdf>
    - Famous "200 barrier"
    - Dunbar's number
  - **Move to Sunday mornings by Summer 2020:** We've met at 5pm on Sundays and we now meet at 4pm on Sundays. All data that we've looked at and our own experience is increasingly telling us that it is imperative that we get to Sunday mornings for our Central Gathering.
    - How would things change if we met on Sunday mornings?
    - What will it take to get to Sunday mornings? What might we need to give up to get there? Sprouts class? Perhaps we'll need to do some setting up of chairs for awhile! I just triggered most of you who helped launch this church in April of 2018. Perhaps we'll have to give up green space for awhile.
- City-wide Renewal, Corporate Renewal, Personal Renewal
- World renewal, Church Renewal, Personal renewal
- Dave's talk, *First of All, Pray* on 1 Timothy 2:1-10 from August 5, 2018 at Tallgrass Church
- Prayer Movements through History
  - *Prayer Meetings That Made History* by Basil Miller—[https://tallgrass.church/sites/default/files/uploads/2018/08/Prayer\\_Meetings\\_That\\_Made\\_History-Basil\\_Miller.pdf](https://tallgrass.church/sites/default/files/uploads/2018/08/Prayer_Meetings_That_Made_History-Basil_Miller.pdf)
  - <https://www.24-7prayer.com/24-7PrayerDownTheAgesPart2>
- Call to prayer and fasting
  - *Prayer, Fasting, and the Course of History* by John Piper—<https://www.desiringgod.org/messages/prayer-fasting-and-the-course-of-history>
- A-Z Attributes of God
- Napoleon Story: Napoleon and his soldiers overcame an island in the Mediterranean Sea. They had fought for many days to take the island and finally succeeded. After the capture of the island at the price of many lives, Napoleon and his generals gathered for a celebration. As they were sitting around a great table, talking about the victory, they were interrupted by a young officer. Napoleon looked at him and said, "What do you want?" The young man looked at Napoleon and said, "Give me this island!" The generals began to laugh. They could not believe he was forward enough to ask Napoleon for the island that they had fought so hard to win. They thought to themselves, Who does he think he is? Anyone with the audacity to make such a request of Napoleon was certainly putting his own life at risk. But then Napoleon turned to one of his aides and asked for a pen and paper. He wrote out a deed to the island, signed it, and gave it to the young man, leaving his generals stunned and amazed. "How could you do it?" one of the generals asked Napoleon. "What made him worthy to receive this great island?" "I gave him this island," Napoleon replied, "because he honored me by the magnitude of his request."
- Oppressed by what we COULD be doing. Paralysis

- **Travis Kelce's Super Bowl speech:** How about 21 years? Nah... 21 years, that's how long it's been turning for my guy Andy Reid. It's been turning, been turning...
- ACTS Prayer Acrostic
- This Cultural Moment podcast
  - Feel the urgency and burden
  - Discontent and disconnected
  - Feel the burden
- **Acts 13:2-3** <sup>2</sup> As they were worshipping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." <sup>3</sup> Then after they had fasted, prayed, and laid hands on them, they sent them off.
- **1 Timothy 2:1-4** First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, <sup>2</sup> for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. <sup>3</sup> This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup> who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.
- Dave's thoughts: I think talking more openly and honestly with our church seems good. I do think getting to Sunday mornings would be helpful and important too. But, personally, feel like the bigger need is to throw ourselves together into prayer and fasting. From consuming to contending. And that corporate renewal must begin with personal renewal. So I'd caution against the Main TO DO for our church with this massive issue we're facing to be a change in worship times. Again, I think that's a vital part, but if communicated as the main thing, would seem to miss the thrust of the great need for us together to throw ourselves in desperation onto the Spirit.
- New Nazarite Vow
- Form and fire
- Opinionocracies—Lots of critiques but little skin in the game
- PACT—passive aggressive consumeristic trap
- From Wiki: On average, adjusted for age, the annual U.S. suicide rate increased 24% between 1999 and 2014, from 10.5 to 13.0 suicides per 100,000 people, the highest rate recorded in 28 years.[6][7] Due to the stigma surrounding suicide, it is suspected that suicide generally is underreported.[8] In April 2016, the CDC released data showing that the suicide rate in the United States had hit a 30-year high,[9][10] and later in June 2018, released further data showing that the rate has continued to increase and has increased in every U.S. state except Nevada since 1999.

## Holy Spirit

- **Luke 1:15** for he will be great before the Lord. And he must not drink wine or strong drink, and he will be filled with the **Holy Spirit**, even from his mother's womb.
- **Luke 1:35** And the angel answered her, "The **Holy Spirit** will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be called **holy**—the Son of God.
- **Luke 1:41** And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the **Holy Spirit**,
- **Luke 1:67** [ *Zechariah's Prophecy* ] And his father Zechariah was filled with the **Holy Spirit** and prophesied, saying,
- **Luke 2:25** Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the **Holy Spirit** was upon him.
- **Luke 2:26** And it had been revealed to him by the **Holy Spirit** that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord's Christ.
- **Luke 3:16** John answered them all, saying, "I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the **Holy Spirit** and fire.
- **Luke 3:22** and the **Holy Spirit** descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

- **Luke 4:1** [ *The Temptation of Jesus* ] And Jesus, full of the **Holy Spirit**, returned from the Jordan and was led by the **Spirit** in the wilderness
- **Luke 10:21** [ *Jesus Rejoices in the Father's Will* ] In that same hour he rejoiced in the **Holy Spirit** and said, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will.
- **Luke 11:13** If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the **Holy Spirit** to those who ask him!"
- **Luke 12:10** And everyone who speaks a word against the Son of Man will be forgiven, but the one who blasphemes against the **Holy Spirit** will not be forgiven.
- **Luke 12:12** for the **Holy Spirit** will teach you in that very hour what you ought to say."
- **Acts 1:1** [ *The Promise of the Holy Spirit* ] In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach,
- **Acts 1:2** until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the **Holy Spirit** to the apostles whom he had chosen.
- **Acts 1:5** for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the **Holy Spirit** not many days from now."
- **Acts 1:8** But you will receive power when the **Holy Spirit** has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."
- **Acts 1:16** "Brothers, the Scripture had to be fulfilled, which the **Holy Spirit** spoke beforehand by the mouth of David concerning Judas, who became a guide to those who arrested Jesus.
- **Acts 2:1** [ *The Coming of the Holy Spirit* ] When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place.
- **Acts 2:4** And they were all filled with the **Holy Spirit** and began to speak in other tongues as the **Spirit** gave them utterance.
- **Acts 2:33** Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the **Holy Spirit**, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing.
- **Acts 2:38** 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 4:8** Then Peter, filled with the **Holy Spirit**, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders,
- **Acts 4:25** who through the mouth of our father David, your servant, said by the **Holy Spirit**, "'Why did the Gentiles rage, and the peoples plot in vain?
- **Acts 4:31** And when they had prayed, the place in which they were gathered together was shaken, and they were all filled with the **Holy Spirit** and continued to speak the word of God with boldness.
- **Acts 5:3** But Peter said, "Ananias, why has Satan filled your heart to lie to the **Holy Spirit** and to keep back for yourself part of the proceeds of the land?
- **Acts 5:32** And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the **Holy Spirit**, whom God has given to those who obey him."
- **Acts 6:5** And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the **Holy Spirit**, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch.
- **Acts 7:51** "You stiff-necked people, uncircumcised in heart and ears, you always resist the **Holy Spirit**. As your fathers did, so do you.
- **Acts 7:55** But he, full of the **Holy Spirit**, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God.
- **Acts 8:15** who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the **Holy Spirit**,
- **Acts 8:17** Then they laid their hands on them and they received the **Holy Spirit**.
- **Acts 8:19** saying, "Give me this power also, so that anyone on whom I lay my hands may receive the **Holy Spirit**."

- **Acts 9:17** So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him he said, “Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the **Holy Spirit**.”
- **Acts 9:31** So the church throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria had peace and was being built up. And walking in the fear of the Lord and in the comfort of the **Holy Spirit**, it multiplied.
- **Acts 10:38** how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the **Holy Spirit** and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.
- **Acts 10:44** [ *The Holy Spirit Falls on the Gentiles* ] While Peter was still saying these things, the **Holy Spirit** fell on all who heard the word.
- **Acts 10:45** And the believers from among the circumcised who had come with Peter were amazed, because the gift of the **Holy Spirit** was poured out even on the Gentiles.
- **Acts 10:47** “Can anyone withhold water for baptizing these people, who have received the **Holy Spirit** just as we have?”
- **Acts 11:15** As I began to speak, the **Holy Spirit** fell on them just as on us at the beginning.
- **Acts 11:16** And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he said, ‘John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the **Holy Spirit**.’
- **Acts 11:24** for he was a good man, full of the **Holy Spirit** and of faith. And a great many people were added to the Lord.
- **Acts 13:2** While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the **Holy Spirit** said, “Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them.”
- **Acts 13:4** [ *Barnabas and Saul on Cyprus* ] So, being sent out by the **Holy Spirit**, they went down to Seleucia, and from there they sailed to Cyprus.
- **Acts 13:9** But Saul, who was also called Paul, filled with the **Holy Spirit**, looked intently at him
- **Acts 13:52** And the disciples were filled with joy and with the **Holy Spirit**.
- **Acts 15:8** And God, who knows the heart, bore witness to them, by giving them the **Holy Spirit** just as he did to us,
- **Acts 15:28** For it has seemed good to the **Holy Spirit** and to us to lay on you no greater burden than these requirements:
- **Acts 16:6** [ *The Macedonian Call* ] And they went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the **Holy Spirit** to speak the word in Asia.
- **Acts 19:2** And he said to them, “Did you receive the **Holy Spirit** when you believed?” And they said, “No, we have not even heard that there is a **Holy Spirit**.”
- **Acts 19:6** And when Paul had laid his hands on them, the **Holy Spirit** came on them, and they began speaking in tongues and prophesying.
- **Acts 20:23** except that the **Holy Spirit** testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me.
- **Acts 20:28** Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the **Holy Spirit** has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood.
- **Acts 21:11** And coming to us, he took Paul's belt and bound his own feet and hands and said, “Thus says the **Holy Spirit**, ‘This is how the Jews at Jerusalem will bind the man who owns this belt and deliver him into the hands of the Gentiles.’”
- **Acts 28:25** And disagreeing among themselves, they departed after Paul had made one statement: “The **Holy Spirit** was right in saying to your fathers through Isaiah the prophet:

## Acts and Epistles Chronological Reading Plan

- Acts 1:1—11:24
- James
- Acts 11:25-14:28
- Galatians

- Acts 15:1-18:17
- 1 Thessalonians
- 2 Thessalonians
- Acts 18:18-19:10
- 1 Corinthians
- Acts 19:11-20:1
- 2 Corinthians
- Acts 20:2
- Romans
- Acts 20:3-28
- Ephesians
- Colossians
- Philemon
- Philippians
- 1 Timothy
- Titus
- 2 Timothy
- Hebrews

Week	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	Acts 1	Acts 2	Acts 3	Acts 4	Acts 5	Acts 6	Acts 7
2	Acts 8	Acts 9	Acts 10	Acts 11:1-24	James 1	James 2	James 3
3	James 4	James 5	Acts 11:25-12:25	Acts 13	Acts 14	Galatians 1	Galatians 2
4	Galatians 3	Galatians 4	Galatians 5	Galatians 6	Acts 15	Acts 16	Acts 17
5	Acts 18:1-17	1 Thess 1	1 Thess 2	1 Thess 3	1 Thess 4	1 Thess 5	2 Thess 1
6	2 Thess 2	2 Thess 3	Acts 18:18-19:10	1 Cor 1	1 Cor 2	1 Cor 3	1 Cor 4
7	1 Cor 5	1 Cor 6	1 Cor 7	1 Cor 8	1 Cor 9	1 Cor 10	1 Cor 11
8	1 Cor 12	1 Cor 13	1 Cor 14	1 Cor 15	1 Cor 16	Acts 19:11-20:1	2 Cor 1
9	2 Cor 2	2 Cor 3	2 Cor 4	2 Cor 5	2 Cor 6	2 Cor 7	2 Cor 8
10	2 Cor 9	2 Cor 10	2 Cor 11	2 Cor 12	2 Cor 13	Acts 20:2; Rom 1	Rom 2
11	Rom 3	Rom 4	Rom 5	Rom 6	Rom 7	Rom 8	Rom 9
12	Rom 10	Rom 11	Rom 12	Rom 13	Rom 14	Rom 15	Rom 16
13	Acts 20:3-28	Acts 21	Acts 22	Acts 23	Acts 24	Acts 25	Acts 26
14	Acts 27	Acts 28	Eph 1	Eph 2	Eph 3	Eph 4	Eph 5
15	Eph 6	Col 1	Col 2	Col 3	Col 4	Philemon	Phil 1
16	Phil 2	Phil 3	Phil 4	1 Tim 1	1 Tim 3	1 Tim 3	1 Tim 4
17	1 Tim 5	1 Tim 6	Titus 1	Titus 2	Titus 3	2 Tim 1	2 Tim 2
18	2 Tim 3	2 Tim 4	Heb 1	Heb 2	Heb 3	Heb 4	Heb 5
19	Heb 6	Heb 7	Heb 8	Heb 9	Heb 10	Heb 11	Heb 12
20	Heb 13						

## Chronology of Acts and the Epistles

Event	Reference	Year (AD)
Descent of the Holy Spirit	<a href="#">Acts 2:1-13</a>	30
Setting Up of the Church	<a href="#">Acts 2:40-47</a>	30

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Paul Starts for Rome	<a href="#">Acts 27:1-2</a>	60
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Paul Writes Ephesians	Ephesians	62
Paul Writes Philippians	Philippians	62
Paul Writes Colossians	Colossians	62
Paul Writes Philemon	Philemon	62
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Paul Writes Hebrews	Hebrews	63
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