

Living as a Follower of Jesus

As a follower of Jesus you will want to grow in your ability to live in a lifestyle that pleases Jesus. Reading the Bible and studying it is the best way to grow in this process. A good place to start this process is by reading the book of Acts. The book of Acts was written by the apostle Luke and is a record of the history of the early Christian church. Although you will want to read the whole book, to begin with we will simply look at a few sections.

ACTS 1:1–11

What do you learn about Jesus in these verses

ACTS 1:12–23

What important things happen in these verses?

ACTS 2:1–13

What unusual things happened in these verses?

Peter's Powerful Message:

ACTS 2:14–37

Verses 22–24. *What do you find here about Jesus?*

Verses 29–36. *How is Jesus different from David?* (Note: David was the greatest king in the Old Testament)

Verse 36. *What did God make Jesus?*

Verse 37. *How did the people feel when they heard Peter's message?*

What did the people ask Peter?

ACTS 2:38–47

Verses 38–41. *What was Peter's answer to the question, "What shall we do?"*

Why should they be baptized?

What gift would they receive?

Who is this promise for?

Verse 42. *What did these new followers of Jesus spend their time doing?*

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- 2.
- 3.
- 4.

Verses 43–47. *How else did these new followers of Jesus live?*

The followers of Jesus are called Christians.

ACTS 11:26. Later in the book of Acts the followers of Jesus are called Christians. In the Bible, the word meant "Christ's Person" or "Little Christ." Today people who believe Jesus Christ is God's Son and follow His teachings are called **Christians**. (*What the Bible is All About for Young Explorers*, Ventura, CA: Regal Books, 1986, p. 326)

Would you call yourself a "Christian?" Yes No

If you are able to call yourself a Christian, why do you think you are able to do this?

If you are not able to call yourself a Christian, why do you think you are not able to do this?

What things do you think you need to learn about Christianity, Jesus, or the Bible? The answers to this question will help you as you study the Bible in the future