

# **UNSTOPPABLE**Unstoppable Partners

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Week 3 3 of 4

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Bottom Line: You will be my witnesses.

**Icebreaker:** What book have you read or movie you've seen in the last year that you would recommend? Why?

**Key Verse:** "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." Acts 1:8

The founder of the church is Jesus, and His story is told in the four gospels. The story of His followers is found in Acts. That story shows the agenda God had for them and for us: We are to finish what He began. The focus is to fulfill His mission for the world, the global mission, not their national political interests. That was a huge assignment for them and for us as well, but Jesus told them their assurance of success was the indwelling of the Holy Spirit and the certainty of Jesus' return. It would be the Spirit of God in them. They responded with obedience.

We have the opportunity to do the same thing, to be unstoppable partners with God. To do that, we must . . .

**Be confident in Jesus' presence and purpose.** We begin to live in a way where we expect God to do supernatural things. The key is FAITH.

**Be clear on your calling.** We must be missional—live free of the cubby-hole protective mentality. The key is MISSONAL.

**Be dependent on the Holy Spirit.** Apart from Him, we can do nothing. Only what is launched in the Spirit is maintained and sustained by the Spirit. My prayer life is vital. The key is PRAYER.

**Be obedient.** God's will is always to obey the next thing. We can do many good things without obeying the thing in front of us that He has told us to do. The key is APPLICATION.

Those of us who call Christ our Lord must understand that the game plan for the first century is the same for us today. We are partners together with Him to be the unstoppable tsunami force of His grace and love to all the world. They must know there is hope and deliverance in Him. As the Holy Spirit fills us, we will feel and care for the world the way Jesus did when He was here. We will finish what He began to do.

## THINK IT OVER 🎇

What impacted you most from the message?

In the book of Acts the phrase "Holy Spirit" occurs 70 different times. What might that indicate?

What does it mean to be a witness? What are the requirements for a witness? What do you think the 12 disciples might have thought/felt when Jesus said they would be His witnesses to the ends of the earth? What do you think about Him calling you to that partnership of finishing what He began?

The two things Jesus gave to empower us and give us hope is the gift of the Holy Spirit to live within us, and the certain promise that He is coming again. How do those gifts make a difference to you right now?

You will be able to endure anything with the Spirit of God in you because life is not about just now. Reflect. Discuss. Does that seem to be an accurate description of your experience? Why or why not?

### LOOK IT OVER

How do we finish what Jesus began? How do we become unstoppable partners? Consider together how effectively you are living these principles and how you could encourage each other.

I am confident in Jesus' presence and purpose. His kingdom will come and His will be done on earth as it is in heaven. I have faith.

I am clear in my calling. Every believer is a full-time missionary bearing witness to Jesus' supernatural life in them. I am missional.

I am dependent on the Holy Spirit. I recognize that apart from Him I can do nothing, so my prayer life is vital.

I am obedient to today's truth from God. I respond to the light God gives me, and I get more. I apply God's truth.

The power of spiritual growth is not knowledge, it is application. What did you hear from God today that is truth you must apply?

#### **NEXT STEPS**

- 1. Identify one of the four areas where your partnership as a witness for Christ is not as powerful as it could be. Plan how you can improve in this area.
- 2. Identify the truth for today, each day, and obey.

#### **EVALUTION/ACTION**

Realizing and reaching your full potential in Christ

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Rate yourself from 1 to 10 1 (never), 10 (always)	1	2	3	4	6	7	8	9	10
Why did you give yourself this rating?									
What benefits will you obtain by raising your rating?									
Do you know someone who demonstrates this bottom line well? What do you admire about that person?									
What specific action can you put into practice to raise your rating?									
At the end of this week, reflect - where did you see the bottom line show up in your actions throughout the week?									

#### **PRAYER**

List group members and their prayer requests for this week:

#### **DAILY STUDY**

Want to dig deeper? Check out **The Daily** this week at newpointe.org/daily:

Monday: John 1:6-8 Tuesday: Acts 22:15

Wednesday: 2 Timothy 2:1-2 Thursday: Philippians 2:14-15 Friday: Romans 10:14-15