

# The Acts of the Non-Apostles

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## Lesson 3 – The Means God Provided

Reviewing lessons 1 and 2:

Who has been empowered and instructed by God to carry out His work?

What is the work that God wants us - “the Church” - to do?

How does our congregation undertake this work? How does our church help each member recognize their part in the mission?

### Read Isaiah 55:11; Romans 10:13

1. What *resource* has God provided for us to carry out His mission?

### Read John 1:1-18

2. What *facts* do we learn about the Word from verses 1-5 and 10-18?
3. According to this passage, how can a person come to know God?

### Read Acts 1:8; 8:1b; 13:1,2; 2 Cor. 4:6-7

4. To whom has this powerful resource been entrusted?

### Read 2 Timothy 3:15-17

5. Describe what God’s Word has the power to do.
6. *How* does the Word “equip” us?



7. Think about an experience when you did something you know the Word equipped you to do. If you are willing, share this with the group.

**Read Acts 8:1-3, 4**

8. Contrast how human assessment would view this situation (vv. 1-3) with how God viewed it (v. 4).

What life lessons does this suggest to you?

**Read Romans 10:8-17**

9. What is the process God has laid out for reaching people with His message of salvation?

What steps are involved, according to this passage?

What is the “bottom line” in verses 14-15?

**Read Acts 12:21-24; 13:48-49; 14:21; 16:30-34**

10. What do these passages clearly demonstrate about God’s Word?
11. How does seeing the power of the Holy Spirit in the resource of God’s Word and in the lives of the non-Apostles in the early church encourage you to “speak the Word boldly”?

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