

## Bible Readings Book by Book week 41 – w/c 14/8/22

### Week 41

**Monday: Acts 2:1-35.** Read verse 32 again. For Peter, the resurrection of Jesus was the thing that he had to tell people about. How important is this to you when you share your faith? Is the fact that Jesus is alive central to why you share, as well as what you share?

**Tuesday: Acts 2:36-47** For these early Christians their faith was a day-to-day reality and not a once-a-week routine. Christ's resurrection power was at work in their lives through the Spirit. What are the primary characteristics of the first church? What can you do to help our church be more like the early church?

**Wednesday: Acts 3:1-26.** The beggar's healing gave Peter the opportunity to share the gospel with the crowd. But how people respond to miracles is not always what we might expect. The right response to answers to prayer should be an increased faith and a closer walk with Jesus. Is this true in your experience?

**Thursday: Acts 4:1-22** Peter and John were unschooled, ordinary men yet they had the courage to stand up for what they believed in. Do you have the kind of boldness to speak for Christ that they had? If so, how did you get it? If not, how can you increase your faith and boldness?

**Friday: Acts 4:23-37.** We can learn a great deal about prayer from the way the Early Church prayed. What principles can you see that speak to you? Notice what they prayed for in v29 – great boldness – and what they didn't pray for – a change of circumstances.

**Weekend: Acts 5:1-16** Ananias and Sapphira were hypocrites. They were trying to make people think they were more spiritual than they really were. Their sin was motivated by pride. We need to remember that whatever we possess has been given to us by God. We are stewards, not owners and we must use what God gives us for his glory. Do you need to adjust the way you view your money and possessions?