

# ACTS

Jesus still matters

SERMON OUTLINE

Sunday October 20th, 2019

## **ACTS - When God Isn't In A Hurry**

Pastor David Cooke - Acts 24: 22-27 (ESV)

- **Things Take** \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_ **In The In-Between**
- **Finding** \_\_\_\_\_ **In The Midst of the Waiting**  
Acts 24:22–23



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• **Talking About Jesus In A \_\_\_\_\_ World**

Acts 24:24–25

- Righteousness
- Self-Control
- Coming Judgment

• **When God Isn't In a Hurry**

Acts 24:26–27

- A) You are not \_\_\_\_\_
- B) God can be \_\_\_\_\_
- C) You probably won't \_\_\_\_\_
- D) This is where \_\_\_\_\_ is built
- E) If you allow it, God will \_\_\_\_\_

Answers: Time, Stuck, Grace, Hostile, forgotten, trusted, understand, faith, redeem the time



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# LIFE GROUP STUDY GUIDE

## We meet in Life Groups to:

- **Connect with God and each other**
- **Connect the Bible to life**
- **Connect with the community through serving together**

## OUR VISION

**Our Bold, Daring, Audacious Dream and Prayer:** *By 2028 Cold Springs Church will raise up 10,000 local, national and international leaders who live and lead out of the overflow of a Jesus-trusting life resulting in restored and strengthened families. (Check out our Vision Wall in the lobby)*

**ICE BREAKER :** What is the first thing you think of when you wake up in the morning?

**PRAYER:** Our desire is that you give 10% of your time to God in prayer. Take time to pray together in your group.

## **THIS WEEK: “When God Isn’t In A Hurry” Acts 24**

In Acts, the Bible captures the story of how a crucified Jesus challenged a hostile and disinterested culture with a message of hope, grace and love that continues to transform lives today. The Book of Acts. Jesus still matters. Jesus still transforms. Jesus still challenges culture. Jesus still saves.

1. Looking back at your notes from this week’s teaching, what particularly caught your attention, encouraged, challenged or confused you?
2. After hearing this week’s message, how would you describe the idea that “God is in the details?” How have you found this to be true?
3. Think about a time or season in life in which you had to wait a long time for resolution. What was challenging about the wait? What was helpful?

## **TAKING IT HOME**

Throughout the Acts sermon series, we have seen that what qualifies us to be used by God in the world is to be a disciple of Jesus. At Cold Springs Church we describe a disciple of Jesus as, “someone who follows Jesus in an ever-deepening relationship of love.”

This weekend we heard about the fact that God can be trusted in the waiting. At Cold Springs our vision revolves around *living out of the over-flow of a Jesus-trusting life, resulting in restored and strengthened lives.*



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4. What does a *living out of the over-flow of a Jesus-trusting life* look like for you?
  
5. What is going on in your life right now that God may be working to stretch your faith? What will move you towards Jesus in this area?
  
6. What is your response to the Tim Keller video we saw this weekend? What did or did not resonate with you?
  
7. Take some time to read the below weekly “On Mission” section. Share experiences you have had in talking about faith with others — both positive and negative.

## **ON MISSION**

Acts shows what it means to be part of Jesus’ mission to the world. The apostles set the example of what it means to be fully devoted to Christ and enveloped by the Holy Spirit.

At Cold Springs Church we talk about being “on mission.” Jesus was sent by his Father on a mission. And so are we. We are “on mission with Jesus” when we integrate our changed hearts (through Jesus) into our everyday lives – bringing God’s Kingdom to earth as it is in heaven.

In order to receive the power of God, one does not need a religious formula, but rather a relationship with a person... Jesus.

Join in our ***Restoring & Strengthening Prayer*** (on our lobby wall):

*“Jesus, today I pray you would help me to see things the way you see them. I pray I would feel about people the way you feel about them. I pray for the courage to say “Yes” to the adventure you invite me to live with you today. I pray for the strength to go the extra mile. Forgive me and forgive your people where we have failed to trust and love each other. And I pray for your Kingdom to come, for your will to be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Please start with me. Amen.*



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