

ACTS

God Is Still Working Today

AT A GLANCE:

Our talk series, *ACTS, God Is Still Working Today*, is about the fifth book of the New Testament traditionally called the Acts of the Apostles.

The thesis of the entire series: The great work that God began in Acts continues to this day—and you're part of this story.

AFTER THE SERIES:

What happened to the Apostles is happening to us. Because God has not changed. Whatever God did in the past, He's still doing it today. And if you open your heart to Him, He'll do amazing work in your life.

Talk 3: "Perspective "

WHAT IT'S ALL ABOUT:

The key message of Talk 1, which is titled *Power*, is God's Power Is In You.

Talk 2, titled *Problem*, deals with problems— the bad things that hap-pen to us. The key message of the talk: God will turn your bad situation into your best provision.

Talk 3 is titled *Perspective* because it is about the power of perspective. There are a couple of meanings of the word perspec-tive. For our purpose here, the meaning of the word perspective is this: a particular attitude toward or way of regarding some-thing; a point of view.

Perspective is like the steering wheel of your life. Perspective is so powerful, *if you change your perspective, you change your entire life.*

Here's Bro. Bo's thesis statement: *If you have a real encounter with God, your perspective will gradually but totally change. Your perspective to-wards God, towards others, towards yourself, and towards life—all that will change.*

The key message of Talk 3 is Get a Jesus Encounter.

I. REVIEW THE KEY BIBLE VERSES:

Review the words of Jesus in Matthew 6:22-23 NKJV) :
"The lamp of the body is the eye. If therefore your eye is good, your whole body will be full of light. 23 But if your eye is bad, your whole body will be full of darkness."

Relate the key Bible verse with the story of the apostle Paul:

The explosion of the Jesus movement started with a man who was actually trying to crush it and erase it from the face of the earth. His name was Saul. He was a Pharisee and he hated Christians. He saw the Jesus-Cult as the cancerous tumor in Jewish society, infecting the pure religion of Yahweh. And he believed God had appointed him to be the sharp scalpel that would slice off this tumor before it infects others.

Explain why Saul was renamed "Paul". At the time, Jews usually had two names: their Hebrew name— as in "Saul"— and, since they were under the Romans, their Latin or Greek names, as in "Paul," the Latin version of "Saul".

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Talk 1:
Power

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Big Day

Notes:



