

## **Acts: The Triumph of the Gospel of Jesus Christ!**

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### **INTRODUCTION:**

#### **I. The basics of Acts.**

- 1. The author, date and title.*
- 2. The purpose.*
- 3. The flow or outline.*

#### **II. The keys to Acts.**

- 1. The key Leaders: The Trinity.*
- 2. The key message: The gospel.*
- 3. The key servants: The witnesses.*
- 4. The key activity: The preaching of the gospel.*
- 5. The key expression: The church.*

#### **III. The theme of Acts.**

The theme = the triumph of the gospel of Jesus Christ! What can't stop the gospel?

- 1. Killing Jesus, Ac 2:23-24; 3:14-15; 4:10-11; 5:30-31; 10:39-43; 13:27-39; 17:3, 31.*
- 2. Lack of power, Ac 1:8.*

3. *Persecution, Ac 4:1-4, 17-21; 5:17-21, 28, 33-42; 6:9-8:1, 4; 9:1-19, 23-25, 29-31; 11:19-21; 13:45-52; 14:1-7, 19-23; 16:22-40; 17:5-9, 13; 18:6-10; 19:9-10, 23-41; 20:18-21, 23-24; 21:10-14, 27-36; 22:3-7, 19-21, 24-23:22; 26:9-23; 28:22.*
4. *Limited education, Ac 4:13.*
5. *Rulers and/or government officials, Ac 4:1, 25-28; 5:17; 6:12; 12:1-24; 13:27; 16:35-36, 38; 17:6-9; 18:12-17; 19:35; 22:4-5; 22:25-30; 23:1-11, 15, 20, 24, 26, 33; 24:1-2, 10, 20, 24-27; 25:1-12, 13, 23, 25-27; 26:1-2, 30-32.*
6. *Bold sin within the church, Ac 5:1-16; 6:1-7.*
7. *Magic, divination and demons, Ac 8:9-24; 13:6-12; 16:16-21; 19:13-20.*
8. *Religious, cultural, racial offenses, Ac 10:1-11:18; 22:21-23.*
9. *Strong disagreement among church leaders, Ac 12:25; 13:5, 13; 15:36-41.*
10. *False doctrine, Ac 15:1-35.*
11. *Mockery, Ac 2:13; 17:18, 32.*
12. *Limited theological understanding, Ac 18:24-28; 19:1-7.*
13. *Mediterranean Sea storms, Ac 27:9-44 (see 27:23-26).*
14. *Poisonous vipers, Ac 28:1-6.*
15. *Israel's hardness of heart, Ac 2:40; 3:17-18; 13:44-49; 18:5-10; 19:8-10; 28:23-28.*