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Witness to the Ends of the Earth

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Acts 1:6-8

Main Point

The Holy Spirit empowers believers to be witnesses locally and globally.

Part 1: Master Teacher (10 Minutes)

Introduction

What would change if you truly believed the Holy Spirit empowers you to be a witness?

God equips every believer to participate in His mission.

Biblical Teaching

1. The Promise of the Spirit (v. 8)
   - The Spirit empowers believers.
   - We are not left alone.
   - Power comes from God.
2. We Are Called to Be Witnesses (v. 8)
   - Every believer has a role.
   - Witnessing is both local and global.
   - The message must be shared.
3. The Mission Expands Outward (v. 8)
   - Jerusalem to the ends of the earth.
   - Mission begins where you are.
   - God's plan includes all people.

Takeaway

The Holy Spirit empowers believers to share the gospel wherever they are.

Part 2: Group Discussion (25 minutes)

Facilitator Guidance

- Help participants see their everyday life as the starting point for global impact.

Discussion Questions

1. Depending on the Spirit
    - How does the Spirit empower believers?
    - Why is dependence on the Spirit important?
    - How can you grow in reliance on Him?
2. Living as a Witness
    - What does it mean to be a witness?
    - Where are you called to be a witness?
    - Who needs to hear your story?
3. Starting Where You Are
    - Why does mission begin locally?
    - Who is in your immediate circle?
    - How can you engage them?
4. Expanding Your Vision
    - How can you think beyond your immediate context?
    - What role can you play in global mission?
    - How can your relationships create gospel opportunities?

Next Steps & Call to Action (5 minutes)

Facilitator Closing Thought:

The Spirit empowers ordinary people to make an eternal impact through faithful witness.

Action Step:

Share your story or faith with one person this week.

Prayer Focus:

- Pray for empowerment.
- Pray for boldness.
- Pray for opportunities.