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No? or Yes!

"But Moses said to God, 'Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the children of Israel out of Egypt?'" (Exodus 3:11)

In the Bible, when God calls someone to a task, a common response is to decline. This may shock some of us, but it happens again and again. Moses claims he is not a good enough speaker (Exodus 4:10). Jeremiah tells God he is too young (Jeremiah 1:6). Jonah runs away (Jonah 1:3). These are typical human responses. We do not like change. We avoid having our lives altered, even if God is the one asking.

What do we miss when we tell God no? Abraham would have never left his home. Moses would have never become a leader. David would have never been king. Paul would have never planted all those churches. When we look back at the lives of the people we read about in Scripture, we can say one thing for sure. God knew best! None of those individuals understood their potential, but God did. God pursued them because He knew what they could become.

What are we saying no to? Is it helping to serve the poor, teaching a Bible class, inviting someone to lunch, or something else? Do we believe we're not qualified? That is what Moses thought. Are we afraid of getting out of our regular routine?

God is at work in this world. He presents us with many opportunities to serve him, but we have to say yes. We have to ignore our fears and trust God. We will never experience our full potential if we keep telling God no. God wants us to grow into faithful followers like Moses, David, Paul, and others, but we must be willing to follow his lead. God is inviting. It's up to us to say yes.

- Scott Elliott

*Just a
thought...*

"Great things can be accomplished by doing little things excellently."

- Anonymous

"Faith is the bridge between where I am, and the place God is taking me."

- Anonymous

Acts Class - Chapter 2 Questions

1. Was there a physical wind that people could feel that lead them to the upper room?
2. Was the sound of the wind local or general?
3. What was the purpose of the tongues of fire, what verse do the fulfill from chapter 1?
4. In what way and were they baptized? The word used here is baptizmo, which means to immerse, what was immersed?
5. Why were so many Jews from other nations in Jerusalem?
6. What is said of the crowd (vs 5)?
7. What does it mean to be devout?
8. What was some in the crowd's response? Why might they claim what they did?
9. Describe speaking in tongues in this context.
10. What time is the third hour?
11. Who does Peter quote starting in vs 17?
12. Why use this quote?
13. What verse starts Peter's sermon?
14. Whom does Peter quote in his sermon?
15. How does Peter use the words of David?
16. What was the response of the crowd?
17. Why is it important? How are we saved?
18. What are we baptized into? What happens at baptism?
19. What do we receive at baptism?
20. What were the early converts doing?
21. Who are the saved from vs 47?

Our Prayer List

- Pray for Wayne Hammock and his grandchildren Colby Shawnee and Charlie all who have Covid.
- Tom Sibley and his wife Sandra were scheduled to fly home to Croatia in two days however Tom has tested for Covid and Sandra will be tested today. Both are fully vaccinated and boosted. Pray for their healing and they will be able to find a place to stay until they can fly home.
- Pray for the McDaniel's granddaughter Aschlyn who has Covid and for their daughter Kerri who is very sick and whom the doctor feels does have Covid.
- Sharon McDaniel will meet with her doctor on Jan 25th to go over the results from her camera swallow test.
- Nancy Armenta will have surgery on March 22nd to remove a stage 3 cancerous cyst on her kidney to prevent it spreading any further.
- Karen Taylor's friend JC Pate has stage 4 cancer in his throat, lungs and liver. Keep JC and his family in your prayers.
- Karen also requests prayers for their friends Linda Jennings and her family whose husband and father Ben passed away today.
- The Fry's request prayers for Linda to be able to eat and be nourished in her body and for the family to be able to manage her pain. Pray for any roadblocks to be removed from the referrals for her medical treatment so that she can get those referrals to move faster than they are. Pray for Linda and Roger and their children, and the Fry family who are there to help minister and help in any way they can.
- George Bradburn's father recently passed away. Pray for the family as they make the arrangements and close out the apartment.
- Pray for George and Cindiann as they work through all their difficulties at this time.
- Pray for Darrell and Laura Fry who are spending some time with Roger and Linda Fry in Arizona.
- Linda Fry's oncologist believes that Linda has stage 4 pancreatic cancer but can't officially diagnose until she receives the biopsies of her liver and pancreas. Linda will be having an endoscopy on Wednesday (Jan 12th) to obtain those biopsies. Linda is very weak. Please pray for God's intervention in Linda's situation.
- Praise Bonnie's nephew Gary's cardiac ablation and pacemaker procedures went well and he is at home now recovering.
- Jon Powless received the results of his biopsy. It is cancer. Plans are now being made for the next step.
- Continued prayers for René Powless and her sister Kay over the passing of their mother. Cards may be sent to the family at: René Powless, 6870 SW Old Clifton Rd, Port Orchard, WA 98367.
- Pray for Bonnie's son-in-law Tony, who will have a procedure to hopefully input a stent where there is a blockage.
- Sharon McDaniel continuing to work with the doctors
- Carol Henry Smith's son Steve treatment for his cancer.
- Our medical personnel and also first responders and all they are dealing with because of the problems associated with Covid.
- Our nation and leaders. Port Orchard Church of Christ and our deacons, our leadership team and brothers and sisters.
- Pray for those who experience feelings of anxiety, stress and even depression loss of jobs normally and additionally from Covid.
- Praise to God for all he provides to care for our needs.

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https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URAkOYw7JOR9ZIQ then click on the video.
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- Pre-Covid audio sermons are also still online – Click on **Teachings**
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Sunday Worship for JANUARY 16, 2022 (10:30 am – 12:00 – noon) (Children are dismissed after communion for Children’s Church) Watch live stream or after our worship time: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URAkOYw7JOR9ZIQ				
Speaker: Mark McLean	Singing: Jon Powless	Scripture:	Prayer: TBD	Communion: Mark McLean
9:30am Adult Class: Auditorium Jim Snead / Trent Herbert			Children Class: Downstairs Combined Class	
Call Laura Fry or the Church Office (360-876-2604) for Zoom Meeting ID				
Acts Class (Zoom) Sundays: 6:00 – 7:00 pm			Prayer Meeting (Zoom) Wednesdays: 5:00 pm	
Men’s Fellowship Downstairs Fellowship Room Tuesday, 10:00 am			Ladies Prayer Group (Zoom) Tuesdays: 10:00 am	

Communion and Tithes & Offerings

We are meeting inside the building, but we are still not passing trays row by row. Be sure to pick up your communion supplies as you enter the auditorium. It contains both the juice and the bread.

There are a few options for giving your tithes & offerings:

- 1) The collection box is in the foyer at the entrance to the auditorium.
- 2) Online bill-pay with your bank or credit union. Your bank will mail your check for you.
- 3) Mail your tithe/offering check directly to the Church address. We have a lock mailbox.

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If you have any questions, please give me a call. God bless you. Gary Chasteen (cell) 360-731-4104	

Happy Birthday!

January: Isaiah Zepf – 13, Karen Taylor – 18, Caleb Smith – 23, Tammy White – 29, Myron David – 30

February: Christopher Hill – 7, Melvin Byrd – 9, Terri [Hall] Whallon - 9, Zari Keagle – 9, Deloris Lawler – 9, Jason Hall – 20

We Believe

Verse 1

In this time of desperation
When all we know is doubt and fear
There is only one foundation
We believe we believe
In this broken generation
When all is dark You help us see
There is only one salvation
We believe we believe

Chorus

We believe in God the Father
We believe in Jesus Christ
We believe in the Holy Spirit
And He's given us new life
We believe in the crucifixion
We believe that He conquered death
We believe in the resurrection
And He's coming back again
(We believe)

Verse 2

So let our faith be more than anthems
Greater than the songs we sing
In our weakness and temptations
We believe we believe

Bridge

Let the lost be found and the dead be raised
In the here and now let love invade
Let the church live loud our God will save
We believe we believe
And the gates of hell will not prevail
For the power of God has torn the veil
Now we know Your love will never fail
We believe we believe

Ending

He's coming back again
He's coming back again
We believe we believe



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WjZ01FcK0yk>

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