

## 2015 “The Jesus Year”

### “Church Photos... Past Present & Future!”

(Week #4)

### “A Planet Of Photographers!”

#### Acts 1:1-8

In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach <sup>2</sup>until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. <sup>4</sup>On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: “Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. <sup>5</sup>For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.” <sup>6</sup>Then they gathered around him and asked him, “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?” <sup>7</sup>He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

#### “You Will Be My Witnesses”

A Witness Is 1. Someone Who Sees Something &  
2. Someone Who Says Something.

To Witness Also Means To Give Testimony

I See Something And Then I Talk About It...

I Saw Him Dead/Alive & Now I’m Telling You About It.

### You Will Be My Photographers...

#### \*Capture & Create “God Moments”!

“Stop asking God to bless what you're doing.

Find out what God's doing. It's already blessed.”—Bono

“Instead of imposing new obligations, (Christians) should appear as people who wish to share their joy, who point to a horizon of beauty and who invite others to a delicious banquet.”

—Pope Francis

#### \*Keep Your Batteries Charged!

He says, “Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth.”—**Psalm 46:10**

Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.

—**Galatians 5: 25**

#### \*Use My Wide Angel Lens!

“Have you no wish for others to be saved? Then you're not saved yourself, be sure of that!”—**Charles H. Spurgeon**

“You never know what’s going to come from one conversation!”

—**Mark Helsel**

#### Acts 16:11-15

From Troas we put out to sea and sailed straight for Samothrace, and the next day we went on to Neapolis. <sup>12</sup> From there we traveled to Philippi, a Roman colony and the leading city of that district of Macedonia. And we stayed there several days. <sup>13</sup> On the Sabbath we went outside the city gate to the river, where we expected to find a place of prayer. We sat down and began to speak to the women who had gathered there. <sup>14</sup> One of those listening was a woman from the city of Thyatira named Lydia, a dealer in purple cloth. She was a worshiper of God. The Lord opened her heart to respond to Paul’s message. <sup>15</sup> When she and the members of her household were baptized, she invited us to her home. “If you consider me a believer in the Lord,” she said, “come and stay at my house.” And she persuaded us.

#### This Week’s Verse To Memorize...

#### Acts 1:8

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”