

Preaching: Prayer and Power  
(Study of Acts #3)  
Acts  
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Introduction:

The essential elements of the Church that Jesus is building are:

- Jesus, The Cornerstone : *Ephesians 2:19-22*
- Witnesses (You and me) - Acts 1:8
- Spirit Filled Preaching – Isaiah 61:1

How does God do it?

- 1) When Prayer goes up **power comes down**
  - a) All of them **prayed** Acts 1:14
  - b) All of them **were filled** Acts 2:3-4
- 2) When Power comes down **people go out**
  - a) The witnesses **go out** – Acts 1:8; Acts 2:32.
  - b) The crowd **comes together** - Acts 2:5-6
  - c) The word **goes forth** – verse 13-40
    - i) In **Powerful** preaching
    - ii) In **Pointed** preaching
- 3) When we go out **people get saved**
  - a) Deep **conviction** - verse 37
  - b) Open **confession** – verse 37
  - c) Clear **instructions** – verse 38-39
  - d) Joyful **reception.** – verse 41

*Ephesians 5:18 And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit...*

*Luke 11:13 If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!"*