

## Based on this week's sermon...

### SCRIPTURE

Write down the scripture verse(s) that caught your attention.

*The Acts  
of the Holy Spirit*

*Big 'C' Church*

Sunday, Jan 31, 2010

Speaker: Doug Rhind

---

Scripture: Acts 1

---

Why should I trust?

### OBSERVATION

What do you think God is saying to you in this scripture?

### APPLICATION

Personalize what you have read, by asking yourself how it applies to your life right now.

What's in it for me?

### PRAYER

Write out your prayer based on what God has said to you today.

What now?

# CLG Notes

Refer back to the questions Pastor Doug raised on Sunday as you work through the following CLG material.



Times of crisis tend to lead us towards isolation and inquiry. We want to be alone because we want answers. Somehow our expectations of what God should have done or should be doing collide with our present experience and we want God to explain himself.

In what ways does being connected to a faith community address our potential drift into isolation and drive towards introspection?

How does being connected to others in our spiritual disorientation and disappointment support and strengthen our capacity to trust Christ?

**Digging Deeper:** Paul could have collapsed in doubt and despair during his imprisonment. Consider the role that his faith community had in sustaining his trust in God (2 Timothy 4:9-18)



From Sunday's message we discovered that God's purposes were at odds with the disciples expectations (Acts 1:6-8).

What changes need to take place in our attitudes, choices, and commitments so that we can be aligned with God's will and ways?

What does God do inside of us to orient us towards seeing things from His perspective?

**Digging Deeper:** Consider God's challenge to Israel in Isaiah 55:8-11.



Sunday we were reminded of God's great plan and purpose for the Church, and the correlation between that plan and the power he is giving us to accomplish it. Yet many find themselves in a holding pattern, waiting for God to do the 'next big thing' before they act.

What role does faith play in moving us out of this 'holding pattern'?

At what point does waiting become detrimental to our faith?

What are the first steps we take to move us out into a lifestyle of acting upon what God has asked us to do?

**Digging Deeper:** Consider the role that faith, obedience and movement play in Peter's experience of having seen God's miraculous power at work (Matthew 14:22-31).

How does God make it possible for us to move ahead in the accomplishing of his intended work for us (Philippians 2:11-13)?

## This Week's Life Journal Readings

### Jan 31

Ex. 28,29  
Acts 7

### Feb 1

Ex. 30-32  
Acts 8

### Feb 2

Ex. 33,34  
Ps. 16  
Acts 9

### Feb 3

Ex. 35,36  
Acts 10

### Feb 4

Ex. 37,38  
Ps. 19  
Acts 11

### Feb 5

Ex. 39,40  
Ps. 15  
Acts 12

### Feb 6

Lev. 1-3  
Acts 13

### Feb 7

Lev. 4-6  
Acts 14