



**Study Guide for May 18, 2025**  
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***Doing the Gospel-Living Out the Good News***

*In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach*  
**Acts 1:1**

*For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—<sup>9</sup> not by works, so that no one can boast. <sup>10</sup> For we are God’s handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do*  
**Ephesians 2:8-10**

*What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if someone claims to have faith but has no deeds? Can such faith save them? <sup>15</sup> Suppose a brother or a sister is without clothes and daily food. <sup>16</sup> If one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,” but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it? <sup>17</sup> In the same way, faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead. James 2:14-17*

*All they asked was that we should continue to remember the poor; the very thing I had been eager to do all along. Galatians 2:10*

**INTRODUCTION**

We are called not only to believe and preach the Gospel but to *live it out daily* through our actions—just like Jesus.

**The Gospel must be put into action, not just preached.**

1. Reach back to a time when someone told you what **to do** but did not take the time to show you how to **do it**.
  - What were they asking of you and how did that turn out?
  - When have you needed someone to walk alongside of you and teach you how to do something? Why?
  - When have you reversed the roles and become the teacher/leader?
2. Consider these practical ways that you can “*Do the Gospel*”.,
  - **We are called to Love Our Neighbor (Luke 10:25-30)**

- Who in your world is your neighbor and how have you lived out the Gospel in their life in tangible ways?
  - **Jesus served with Humility (*John 13*)**
    - Who have you served in a way that required you to be *less than* the person that you served? How challenging was that for you?
  - **We are called to build *Genuine Community* (*Acts 2:44-45*)**
    - Describe what genuine community looks like in your everyday activities both at work, home and in your neighborhood. \*With whom do you share your resources, provide emotional, physical and spiritual support? How are you each carrying one another's burdens? \*If you are not experiencing this sort of community what is standing in the way?
  - **Jesus Advocated for those in the Margins of Society (*Deut. 27:19; Ps. 41:1; 82:3-4*)**
    - When have you stepped into the life of someone who had no voice, and spoken on their behalf? When have you worked to make changes for someone who was powerless?
  - **We are called to Witness Through Our Actions (*Col. 3:17*)**
    - When and to whom have you shown kindness, honesty, and generosity so that your actions were louder than any words that you could have spoken? \*What was the outcome?
3. Consider who Jesus impacted in extraordinary ways by living out the Gospel rather than preaching a sermon.
- Consider who He healed particularly on the Sabbath.
  - Consider who He feed and why.
  - Consider who He died for and why.
4. Jesus expects *us* to continue His work—even to do more! (*John 14:12*)
- Which of Jesus' actions challenges you the most today?
  - How can you (and your group) genuinely serve the poor, the sick, and the marginalized in your local community?
  - In what ways can you be a part of creating a more genuine and supportive Christian community?

#### TAKE AWAY

- What one action will you take today that aligns with this message?