Acts – Birth of the Church There is Power in the Name of Jesus!

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Introduction:

- Acts 18:24-26
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- Acts 2:38
- There is Power in the Name of Jesus!

1. John's Baptism:

- a. Acts 19:1-7
- b. Isaiah 40:3-5
- c. Malachi 4:5-6
- d. Luke 1:12-16
- e. Matthew 11:13-14
- f. Matthew 11:11
- g. Acts 19:2
- h. Acts 19:3
- i. When you repent and are baptized, you receive two things:
 - i. The forgiveness of your sins.
 - ii. The gift of the Holy Spirit.
- j. Faith is the <u>Means</u> through which God's Grace, which brings forgiveness, is released.
- k. Baptism is the Occasion upon which we receive Grace.
- l. Acts 19:5
- m. Acts 2:38
- n. 1st Peter 3:18-22
- o. Baptism is more than just "An outward expression of an Inward Faith" as some would say ... It is a necessary and essential Term in the Terms of Pardon, as laid out by the Holy Spirit to the Apostles, for the forgiveness of your sins and to receive the Holy Spirit's presence in your life.



2. The Way:

- a. Acts 19:8-12
- b. Romans 1:16-17
- c. **Romans 9:3**
- d. The Gospel changes everything ... But it must first change us.
- e. Acts 19:9
- f. Greek <u>Skleryno</u> (Skill-Ru-No) ... English <u>Obstinate</u> ... "Stubborn in the sense of 'Refusing to believe."
- g. Matthew 7:6
- h. Matthew 10:14-15
- November 4, 2021, article with <u>Church and Culture</u> a whopping 70% of "Born Again" Christians ages 18-39 said, that Jesus is <u>NOT</u> the only way to God ... Muhammad ... Buddha, and Jesus all taught Equally valid Truths and Paths to God.
- j. Acts 19:11-12

3. The Pretenders:

- a. Acts 19:13-16
- b. John 3:16-17
- c. John 14:6
- d. John 8:31-32
- e. **Romans 8:1**
- f. Acts 19:13-16
- g. The church needs to be the change the world is waiting for!

