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Introduction and Lesson One

La Mirada Christian Church
a Dwelling Richly Bible Study

Welcome!

Power...confidence...deep, strong, crazy-bold faith – Want it? Missing it? This study through Acts will open your heart and mind to what God has done, is doing, and will do through Christians who get it – the truth of the gospel. *Acts: Seeds of the Gospel* is a verse by verse study through the real lives of men and women like you who wanted more and got more than they ever imagined.

I started writing Bible studies so I could have focused time in God's Word. First, I wrote for my own personal time, then began to share them with others, and now, here you are! So, welcome!

In 1993 inspired by the words from Colossians 3:16 to "Let the Word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs." I began writing songs from Scripture and now have written over 30 Scripture-based songs and two dozen Bible studies that help us all to fulfill this verse. My desire is to help others engage in God's word through reading, writing, memorizing, sharing, singing, and of course, studying its truths. I want to help you out what it means to truly let the Word dwell in you deeply and to help others do the same by encouraging women to love God and His Word with heart, soul, mind, and strength.

This study is designed to offer daily time and structure through the Word of God for the purpose of understanding better who God is and in so doing knowing ourselves and our purpose better. We read, think, pray, write, consider, and apply the truths and concepts we find in the Word of God. But here's the big goal, it's great to grow personally, but we need more than grow...we must go!

I pray to help equip you to be "able to teach" so you can in turn equip others. Join the online Bible study community, or study on your own. Amazing rewards await those who take the time to read and study God's Word. You can complete the study on your own through these pages, or join the community and study together with a friend - either way, welcome!

Let's dive in and let God's Word dwell in us richly!

In Christ,

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... Dwelling Richly Bible Study...

Who we are...

...real women in every stage of life who are finding true hope in Jesus Christ

What we do...

- ...encourage one another to seek God for wisdom and hope
- ...support one another in life's challenges and blessings
- ...share our strengths and weaknesses
- ...provide a haven of hope and encouragement, fun and friendship, and real answers based on the truths of God's Word

What to Expect...

- ...Make friends and deepen relationships
- ...Bible-based teaching
- ...Faith-building personal Bible study
- ...Daily Devotional Teaching to help you through each lesson in community
- ...Home Study Men and Women in every lesson to guide you through the scripture.

We Meet...

- ...Tuesdays, 9:30-11:30am – September 24, October 8, 22; November 5, 19
- ...Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30pm – September 25, October 9, 23; November 6, 20
- ...Weekdays - 9am on Facebook – join Jennifer as she goes through each day of the lesson.
- ...Missed a talk? Want to join the daily Bible study? It's all available at on the Dwelling Richly podcast – download any podcast app, the LMCC Women and Dwelling Richly Facebook pages, and YouTube.

...Bible Study Tips...

1. Read and take notes in a Bible – a good 'ol fashioned paper Bible...
New International (NIV), English Standard (ESV), or Christian Standard (CSB) versions – each of these are written at about a 6th grade reading level

Avoid studying from a paraphrase -- The Message, Living Bible, etc. are all great for helping understand, but do your study and note-taking from a translation instead.

NOTE: We will use the ESV for this study.

2. Use colored pencils to mark in your Bible --

yellow -- key ideas

orange -- memory verses

blue -- God/Holy Spirit

brown -- people

green -- places

pink -- prophecy

red -- Jesus

3. Pray before you read the Bible. Ask God to help you understand what you are reading. It's amazing what happens when we just do that... pray. God is faithful.

4. Do your own thinking before looking to commentary or study notes in your Bible. Do not just use the cross-reference verses if you're not sure what something means or you want more information.

Join in our daily studies with Jennifer! You can follow along to every day of this study...

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...[Facebook.com/JenniferRichmondBlog](https://www.facebook.com/JenniferRichmondBlog)

...[Facebook.com/LMCCWomen](https://www.facebook.com/LMCCWomen)

...the [Dwelling Richly](#) podcast



Lesson One — Day Two

Meditate & Memorize the Word - Acts 4:12

...Dwell in the Word...

Scripture Focus [Acts 1:1-4:37](#) — Tip: Read each question before beginning.

1. Write Acts 2:15-16 on your "Write the Word" pages at the end of this lesson.
2. Read Acts chapter one.

I found it interesting that...

Key people in this chapter are...

3. Read Acts chapter two.

What is "the day of Pentecost?" (look in your study notes or other resources)

Describe the tone of Peter's sermon in three words:

4. Read Acts chapter three.

What did Peter offer instead of gold or silver?

What is Peter's admonition AND promise in verses 19 and 20?

5. Read Acts chapter four.

How were the religious leaders responding to their preaching? Who was preaching?

How were Peter and John described by the leaders?

What does Barnabus' name mean? _____

In these chapters, what do you learn about...

God

Jesus/Lord

Holy Spirit

Spiritual Life

Other

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Lesson One — Day Nine
Meditate & Memorize the Word - Acts 4:12

...Dwell in the Word...

Tip: Read with your heart as well as your mind. Connect to your emotions to help you relate to the people and events.

1. Write Acts 2:27-28 on your "Write the Word" pages at the end of this lesson. Congratulations! You wrote the first sermon from the book of Acts! Great job!
2. Looking back over your notes from Acts, what is something you already knew a little bit about but now have a better understanding of?

3. What encounter was the most emotionally compelling to you? Why?

If you could journey with Paul, which one of his missionary trips would you most like to have been on? Why?

5. As we move forward, we'll be digging deeper into Acts, connecting each chapter with the epistles that Paul wrote as well as looking back to the Old Testament and the foundation for all that happened. What are you most interested in learning more about?

