

Things to Pray for:

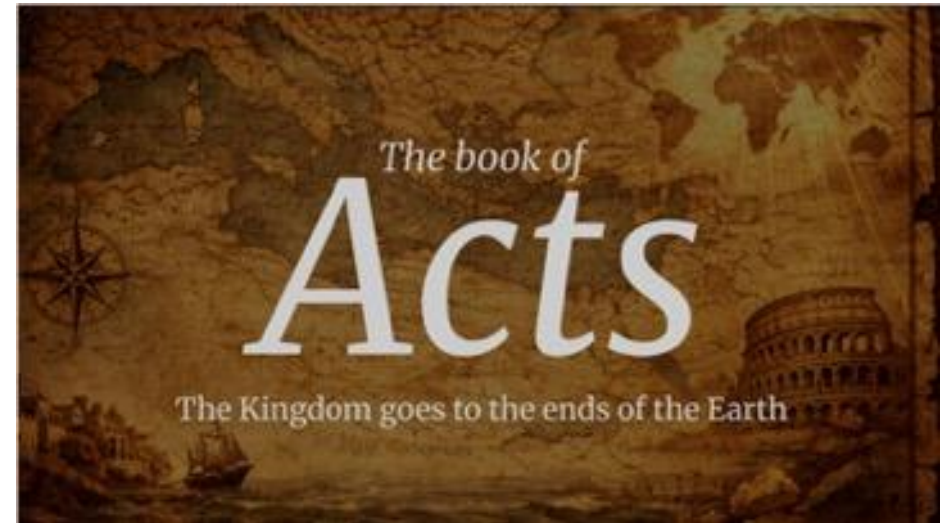
CHURCH FAMILY NEEDS: Please continue to pray for our pastoral transition and the leadership team as they help lead during this time.

MISSIONARIES: This month pray for the Bellas.

FAMILY OF THE WEEK: Each week we'll pray for a different family in our church. This week, pray for the Fishers.

HILLSIDE HAPPENINGS: Pray that the church would continue to stay unified under Christ. Pray for our livestream and for the people joining us there. Pray for Casa Del Alfarero, the Spanish-speaking Missionary Church 5 minutes from our building.

CURRENT HAPPENINGS: Pray for the war in Ukraine and Iran.



Numbers

Attendance

In-person on 5/3/26: 34

Online views: 11 (through 5/4/26)

Giving

Online: 4/26/25 - 5/2/25: \$65 for general

In-person on 5/3/25: \$320 for general, \$100 for foster closet



Give Online

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always have the QR code posted at the main
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Acts 6:8

And Stephen, full of grace and power, was doing great wonders and signs among the people.


Hillside
MISSIONARY CHURCH

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Welcome!

Happy Mother's Day!

Whether you're a guest or a long-time attendee we're glad you're here with us. We're a friendly and caring group of Christians who are here to help people be **CONNECTED** with Jesus, **CHANGED** by Jesus, and **COMMITTED** to the mission of Jesus.

GUESTS: Thanks for joining us today! We truly believe that you're not here by accident and that God has some amazing plans for your life. If you'd like some information about who we are and how to get plugged in here at Hillside, please fill out the "I'm New" page on our website, which can be found by the QR code to the right.



EMAIL LIST: If you would like to receive prayer requests, announcements, and our weekly email, feel free to scan the QR code above. It will take you to the "I'm New" page on our website, where you can fill out your name, phone number, and email.

SERMON SERIES: We're currently in a sermon series through the book of Acts. Today we'll read Stephen's story.

Announcements

BAPTISM: Are you interested in getting baptized? We would love to celebrate with you! Please talk to Pastor Josh for more details.

PASTORAL TRANSITION: Pastor Josh's last Sunday with us will be June 14th. Please pray for the Fishers, our next pastor, and our leadership team! If you have any questions or would just like to chat about this transition, please feel free to reach out to our leadership team members: Bill Walter: (574) 274-0909, Matt Dodd: (574) 344-8692, and Sam Bely (574) 309-6389.

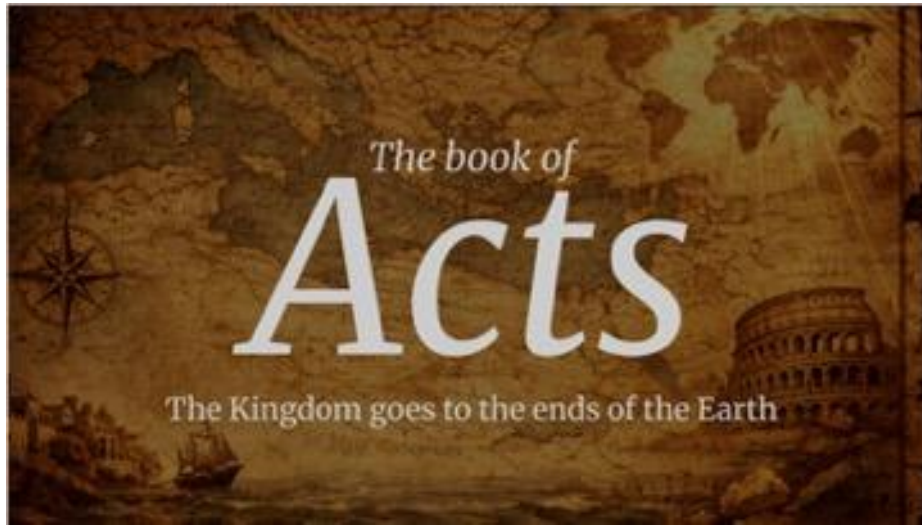
Opportunities to Help

TECH: Our worship team is looking for someone who would like to run sound and/or slides. Please see Pastor Josh.

WORSHIP TEAM: Would you like to help out on the worship team? Please see Carolyn Dodd for details.

PRAYER GUIDE: Will you be in prayer for Hillside? Prayer guides are available at the welcome counter. Also, if you would like to be a prayer advocate, please see Pastor Josh.

MAINTENANCE TEAM: Would you like to help out on the maintenance team? We need help inside and outside the building. Please see Sam for details.



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The enemy's playbook

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2. _____

Acts 6:13, Ps. 120:2, John 8:44, Prov. 12:22, Col. 3:9-10

3. Truth adjacent _____

Acts 6:3, Gen. 3:1-5, 1 Chron. 21:1-6, Matt. 4:5-7

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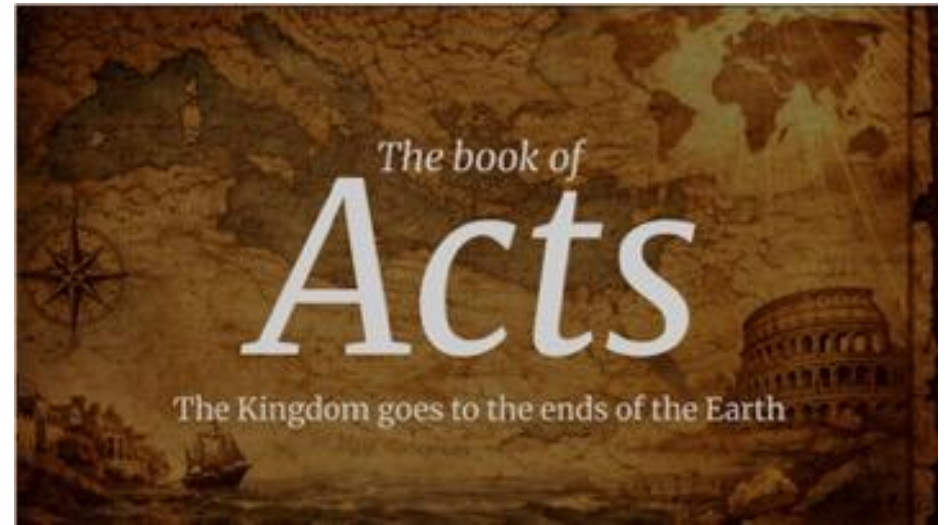
Acts 7:2-53, John 4:24, 17:17, Heb. 4:12, 2 Tim. 3:16-17

2. An _____ mindset

Acts 7:55-59, 2 Cor. 4:18, Matt. 6:33, Col. 3:2, Ps. 90:12, Rom. 8:18

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Acts 7:60, Col. 3:12-14, Eph. 4:32, Matt. 6:14-15, Luke 23:34



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Reflecting on God's Word

Getting Started

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- Have you ever read or heard about this before? What stood out to you as we were talking about it?
- As you think about this sermon series through the book of Acts, what observation do you have?
- As you think about Stephen's story, and what he did, what comes to mind? What observations do you have?

Diving In

1. Read Acts 6:8-15. As you read this, and think about the enemy's tactics against Stephen, which one(s) do you find yourself typically battling against? Why is that?
2. Stephen does a phenomenal job at articulating God's Biblical truth against the lies of the enemy. How well do you do that? How could you improve on that, and what would the outcome be if you were able to do that better?
3. Read 1 Corinthians 4:18. In your everyday living, how much of your thought life is focused on eternity? How would your life change if you were more focused on eternity?
4. Even as they are actively trying to kill him, Stephen is asking the Lord not to hold this sin against them. This shows a radical forgiveness on Stephen's behalf. How well do you forgive? Is there anyone you need to extend forgiveness to?

Applying the Scripture

What are your biggest takeaways from this passage of God's Word?

- What practical step(s) do you need to implement in your life to apply what God has taught you in this passage of Scripture?
- How would applying this affect your life and your relationship with the Lord?
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