

5. If we're going to make an impact—putting our words to work and meeting needs with deeds—we'll have to have a "How can I help?" mindset. How do you think you might be able to help in word or deed in this phase of our church's ministry?



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Growth Guide

FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 2, 2020

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We want to welcome you personally! Text NEW to 603-225-2550 right now wherever you are. Cornerstone is a group of Jesus' followers who aim to honor God by showing what he can do with and through lives surrendered to him. We believe following Jesus makes life better, and makes you better at life—and brings glory to God in the process. Let us show you how!

MORE PEOPLE SAYING "YES!" TO
JESUS MORE OFTEN

TODAY'S MESSAGE

ASSUMPTIONS

WEEK ONE: UPENDED • TODAY: ASSUMPTIONS

ACTS 1:1-8

THE BOTTOM LINE

LET'S HOLD OUR ASSUMPTIONS LOOSELY SO
GOD CAN USE US PROFUSELY

...you will be my witnesses,
telling people about me everywhere—
— Acts 1:8 NLT

REMEMBER...

Put your words to work and
meet needs with deeds.

IN YOUR GROUP

TALK IT OVER with friends right now, using the **bold** questions above. In your Cornerstone Community group this week, discuss your answers to the ON YOUR OWN questions. In a one-hour online group session, you might spend a 10-15 minutes catching up, 40 minutes talking through the discussion questions above, and 15-20 minutes praying for one another and planning ways the group can meet needs and serve others.

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"WHEN ARE YOU...?"

"Lord, has the time come for you to free Israel and restore our kingdom?" – Acts 1:6 NLT

"WHAT AM I TO DO?"

...you will be my witnesses,
telling people about me everywhere—
– Acts 1:8 NLT

HOLD LOOSELY OUR ASSUMPTIONS...

ABOUT WHAT GOD WOULD DO

During the forty days after he suffered and died, he appeared to the apostles from time to time, and he proved to them in many ways that he was actually alive. And he talked to them about the Kingdom of God. – Acts 1:3 NLT

Saying "YES!" to Jesus? Text **YES!** to **603-225-2550**

*Let us celebrate with you
& resource you for your new life in Christ.*

ABOUT HOW GOD WOULD DO IT

Once when he was eating with them, he commanded them, "Do not leave Jerusalem until the Father sends you the gift he promised, as I told you before. John baptized with water, but in just a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."
– Acts 1:4-5 NLT

ABOUT WHEN GOD WOULD DO IT

"Lord, has the time come for you to free Israel and restore our kingdom?" He replied, "The Father alone has the authority to set those dates and times, and they are not for you to know. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." – Acts 1:6b-8 NLT

THE CHALLENGE:

PRAY: "I'm willing to have my assumptions upended."

ON YOUR OWN

Answer these questions this week to reflect and go deeper.

- 1. Brian gave several examples of when his assumptions were overturned. When have you experienced something similar?**
2. The disciples' question in Acts 1:6 was about Jesus' timing. What were they expecting? How was it different from Jesus' idea about the Kingdom of God?
3. In Acts 1:8, Jesus directs the disciples attention away from the timing of his future actions and towards what? What does he tell them they will become? Where will they do it?
- 4. Restate the Bottom Line in your own words. If you have to guess, which of your assumptions do you think God may challenge in order for him to take you where he wants you to go?**