



# BelPres Church

## Vision Sunday

**Ice-breaker Question:** When was the last time you tried something for the first time?

**Opening Prayer:** Jesus, make our lives look like Your good news. We're listening. Help us find a moment to share about you gently and honestly.

### Practice Reflection Questions:

What stands out from your prayer or journaling time this week? Did you pursue a nudge or prompt to action? What did you do and how did it go? Did your family try the family practice? How did that go?

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### This Week's Scripture:

Acts 1:1-8

"In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach <sup>2</sup>until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. <sup>3</sup>After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. <sup>4</sup>On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. <sup>5</sup>For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

<sup>6</sup>Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

<sup>7</sup>He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. <sup>8</sup>But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

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**Scripture Reflection Questions:** Read this week’s scripture together and discuss the following (note: we use the same scripture reflection questions each week so that we can practice using the same tools over time as we examine different scriptures)

- What do we learn about God’s story in this passage?
- What do we learn about our story in this passage?

**Talk:**

- Keep it simple. If someone asked, “Why Jesus?” what 90-second story would you tell?
- What really holds you back: fear of awkwardness, not knowing enough, worrying how you’ll sound?

**Action Plan:**

Review the action prompt below, share any initial ideas of how you might pursue this practice this week.

- When the moment opens, don’t explain Christianity. Simply tell your true story: “Here’s what Jesus did in my life...”

No pressure to convince. Just witness.

**Closing Group Prayer:**

Spend a few minutes together in your group sharing prayer requests and then praying together for each other. Take the challenging parts of your conversation to Jesus. Thank God for the time together, the conversation shared, the other people in the group, and for encouragement for the week ahead.