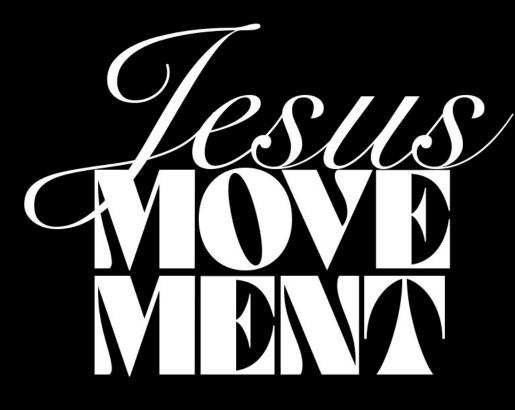
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"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."





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"Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I am going to the Father."



# "What is living rent free in my head and heart?"



# Do I live in a world where Jesus lives, and does His word live in me?





Now in these days when the disciples were increasing in number, a complaint by the Hellenists arose against the Hebrews because their widows were being neglected in the daily distribution.



#### Jesus movement requires:

• repositioning our <u>focus</u>

**ACTS 6:1** 

And the twelve summoned the full number of the disciples and said, "It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. 3 Therefore, brothers, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we will appoint to this duty."



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**ACTS 6:1** 

• repositioning our <u>priorities</u>

ACTS 6:2-3

I have stored up your word in my heart, that I might not sin against you.



Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart, for I am called by your name, O Lord, God of hosts.



The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.



But he answered, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'"



"But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." 5 And what they said pleased the whole gathering, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch.



6 These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands on them.



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- repositioning our <u>roles</u>

ACTS 6:2-3

**ACTS 6:1** 

ACTS 6:4-6

All Christians without exception, being followers of him who came 'not to be served but to serve', are themselves called to ministry, indeed to give their lives in ministry. But the expression 'full-time Christian ministry' is not to be restricted to church work and missionary service; it can also be exercised in government, the media, the professions, business, industry and the home. We need to recover this vision of the wide diversity of ministries to which God calls his people.

John Stott

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# SPIRITUAL GIFTS & BEGIN TO USE THEM

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And the word of God continued to increase, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests became obedient to the faith.



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- repositioning our <u>roles</u>
- repositioning our <u>goals</u>

- **ACTS 6:1**
- ACTS 6:2-3
- ACTS 6:4-6
- **ACTS 6:7**

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. 2 Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. 3 Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you.

## JOHN 15:1-4 ESV

4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me."



And Stephen, full of grace and power, was doing great wonders and signs among the people. 9 Then some of those who belonged to the synagogue of the Freedmen (as it was called), and of the Cyrenians, and of the Alexandrians, and of those from Cilicia and Asia, rose up and disputed with Stephen. 10 But they could not withstand

## ACTS 6:8-15 ESV

the wisdom and the Spirit with which he was speaking. 11 Then they secretly instigated men who said, "We have heard him speak blasphemous words against Moses and God." 12 And they stirred up the people and the elders and the scribes, and they came upon him and seized him and brought him before the council,



13 and they set up false witnesses who said, "This man never ceases to speak words against this holy place and the law, 14 for we have heard him say that this Jesus of Nazareth will destroy this place and will change the customs that Moses delivered to us." 15 And gazing at him, all who sat in the council saw that his face was like the face of an angel.

## ACTS 6:8-15 ESV

And the high priest said, "Are these things so?" 2 And Stephen said: "Brothers and fathers, hear me. The God of glory appeared to our father Abraham when he was in Mesopotamia, before he lived in Haran,

# ACTS 7:1-2 ESV

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- repositioning our <u>goals</u>
- repositioning our <u>life message</u>

ACTS 6:8-7:2

**ACTS 6:1** 

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#### **NEXT STEP QUESTIONS**

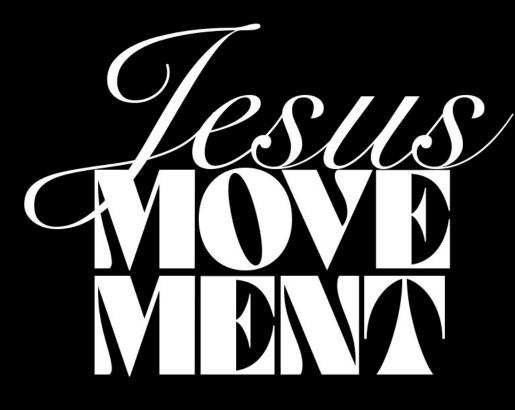
What is God showing you that He wants to reposition in your life?

Are you participating in God's repositioning or rebelling against it?

If Pathway is your home church, will you share His goals and play your role?

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