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## Old Testament

*Psalms 47:5-8 | NIV*

**5** God has ascended amid shouts of joy, the Lord amid the sounding of trumpets.

**6** Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises

**7** For God is the King of all the earth; sing to him a psalm of praise

**8** God reigns over the nations; God is seated on his holy throne.

## New Testament

*Acts 1: 8-11 | NIV*

**8** “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.”

**9** After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

**10** They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them.

**11** “Men of Galilee,” they said, “why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.”

# **May 2026 - Weekly Witness Guide**

## **Scripture Readings and Devotional**

### *WEEK 1 - May 3, 2026*

Theme: "The Risen Christ Commissions Imperfect People"  
Matthew 28:19-20

Jesus gave the Great Commission to disciples who were worshiping Him while some still doubted; He commissioned them anyway. Your imperfections, your inconsistencies, and your unanswered questions do not disqualify you from being used by God. The risen Christ has always worked through imperfect people, and He is not about to stop now.

### *WEEK 2 - May 10, 2026*

Theme: "Love Opens the Door"  
John 21:15-17

When Jesus restored Peter He connected love directly to purpose, "If you love Me, feed My sheep." Genuine witnessing is never a religious obligation or a spiritual technique but simply love for Jesus overflowing into love for people. When people feel truly cared for and genuinely noticed, they become open to hearing about the One who taught you to love them.

# **Weekly Witness Guide**

## **Scripture Readings and Devotional**

*WEEK 3 - May 17, 2026*

Theme: "The Unlikely Witness"

John 9:20-25

The man born blind could not answer every theological argument the Pharisees threw at him, but he could say with absolute confidence, "I was blind and now I see." Nobody could take that from him. Your history, including the parts you are most ashamed of, are often the most powerful evidence that Jesus Christ is alive and still changing lives. The people who knew you before Christ are watching you after, and that contrast is a sermon no one can argue with.

*WEEK 4 - May 24, 2026*

Theme: "The Holy Spirit Makes You a Witness"

Acts 1:1-11 - Ascension Sunday Week

Before Jesus ascended He made an extraordinary promise, that His disciples would receive supernatural power to be His witnesses in the world. You are not sent out expected to witness in your own strength. The same Holy Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead goes before you, speaks through you, and seals the results after you. Your responsibility is simply faithful availability - the Holy Spirit handles everything else.

*Thank You for Worshiping With Us Today*

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