

LESSON 1: THE CHURCH PRAYS – Acts 12



1. **Intro** to class plan

2. **ACTS 4:23ff**

- a. Background
- b. The Church prays Scripture (Ps. 2) (vv. 25-26)
- c. The Church states facts (*remind God?*) (vv. 27-28)
- d. The Church makes their plea/request. (vv. 29-30)
- e. Results: earthquake; Holy Spirit; boldness

3. **ACTS 12** “about this time” Herod Agrippa (d. 44 C.E.)

- a. The church prays (vv. 1-5)
- b. Angelic deliverance (vv. 6-10)
- c. Peter's reaction (v. 11)
- d. Result: believers "astonished" (vv.12-16)
- e. Epilogue: Herod's demise (vv. 18-24)

4. **WVPC prays**

- a. Praise for progress (session; staffing needs, YAF; Jesse, youth, other?)
- b. Scripture
- c. Facts & needs: Pastor; Session leadership: wisdom; music leadership; young families; other, etc....
- d. Plea/Request(s)
- e. Results

5. **Conclusion/Assignment:** pray Scripture