

PARK BAPTIST CHURCH, GREAT YARMOUTH - READING THROUGH THE BOOK OF ACTS – WEEK 1

(try to write at least a short response each day)

<p>Sunday 25th September – Acts 1.1-11 Predicting the future is big business today. How might you respond when someone asks “What is the world coming to? When will it all end?” See verses 7, 8 & 11.</p>	
<p>Monday 26th September – Acts 1. 12-26 How does this way of appointing leaders compare to Park’s? What are the good and bad features? The casting of lots is recorded several times in the Old Testament but never again in the New Testament. Sadly we hear no more of Matthias in Scripture.</p>	
<p>Tuesday 27th September – Acts 2. 1-11 In the Old Testament Pentecost was the Feast of Firstfruits (see Exodus 23.16a) – the first instalment with more to come! Today’s reading is the New Testament Pentecost story. In what ways does the Holy Spirit reveal Himself here? Are you seeking and expecting more of this?</p>	
<p>Wednesday 28th September – Acts 2. 12-21 Here the Holy Spirit is associated with prophecy, visions, signs and wonders, and salvation for the seeker. Ask God to visit us again in power.</p>	
<p>Thursday 29th September – Acts 2. 22-36 Peter speaks powerfully about Jesus – and certainly doesn’t mince his words! See for example vv23 & 36. Why does society not want us to speak about Jesus today? Are you proud to point to the Saviour or cowed into silence by society’s expectations?</p>	
<p>Friday 30th September – Acts 2. 37-47 Peter’s Spirit-filled speech is followed by a rapid expansion of the church. Are we ready for more of this? What is currently most lacking at Park as compared to the description of the early church in vv42-47? Are we prepared to come closer to this example?</p>	
<p>Saturday 1st October – Acts 3. 1-10 In a casual encounter Peter again boldly speaks of Jesus. Let us ask God for confidence to speak His name in the Friendship Centre and other outreach situations.</p>	
<p>Sunday 2nd October – Acts 3. 11-26 As in Acts 2.38 Peter calls on his hearers to repent (3.19) What change has repentance brought about in your life?</p>	

