### THE MESSAGE

#### **Running With The Giants**

Matt Price

Acts 6:1-15 (CSB) - <sup>1</sup>In those days, as the disciples were increasing in number, there arose a complaint by the Hellenistic Jews against the Hebraic Jews that their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution. <sup>2</sup>The Twelve summoned the whole company of the disciples and said, "It would not be right for us to give up preaching the word of God to wait on tables. <sup>3</sup>Brothers and sisters, select from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Spirit and wisdom, whom we can appoint to this duty. <sup>4</sup>But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." 5This proposal pleased the whole company. So they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, and Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a convert from Antioch. <sup>6</sup>They had them stand before the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

<sup>7</sup>So the word of God spread, the disciples in Jerusalem increased greatly in number, and a large group of priests became obedient to the faith.

<sup>8</sup>Now Stephen, full of grace and power, was performing great wonders and signs among the people. <sup>9</sup>Opposition arose, however, from some members of the Freedmen's Synagogue, composed of both Cyrenians and Alexandrians, and some from Cilicia and Asia, and they began to argue with Stephen. <sup>10</sup>But they were unable to stand up against his wisdom and the Spirit by whom he was speaking.

"Then they secretly persuaded some men to say, "We heard him speaking blasphemous words against Moses and God." <sup>12</sup>They stirred up the people, the elders, and the scribes; so they came, seized him, and took him to the Sanhedrin. <sup>13</sup>They also presented false witnesses who said, "This man never stops speaking against this holy place and the law. <sup>14</sup>For we heard him say that this Jesus of Nazareth will destroy this place and change the customs that Moses handed down to us." <sup>15</sup>And all who were sitting in the Sanhedrin looked intently at him and saw that his face was like the face of an angel.

Acts 7:54-60 (CSB) - <sup>54</sup>When they heard these things, they were enraged and gnashed their teeth at him. <sup>55</sup>Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven. He saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. <sup>56</sup>He said, "Look, I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!"

### **MESSAGE NOTES**

<sup>57</sup>They yelled at the top of their voices, covered their ears, and together rushed against him. <sup>58</sup>They dragged him out of the city and began to stone him. And the witnesses laid their garments at the feet of a young man named Saul. <sup>59</sup>While they were stoning Stephen, he called out, "Lord Jesus, receive my spirit!" <sup>60</sup>He knelt down and cried out with a loud voice, "Lord, do not hold this sin against them!" And after saying this, he fell asleep.

Acts 1:8b (CSB) - 8b"...You will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth"

Acts 8:1, 4-5 (CSB) - ¹Saul agreed with putting him to death. On that day a severe persecution broke out against the church in Jerusalem, and all except the apostles were scattered throughout the land of Judea and Samaria. ... ⁴So those who were scattered went on their way preaching the word. ⁵Philip went down to a city in Samaria and proclaimed the Messiah to them.

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#### **Financial Update**

2023 General Budget: **\$8.500.000.00** 

YTD 03.31.2023 - Requirement:

\$1,961,538.46

YTD 03.31.2023 - Offering: **\$2,174,406.92** 

March Kingdom Offering: \$53,671.96 YTD Kingdom Offering: \$155,911.95



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Service Times:

- Saturdays | 6pm (south)
- Sundays | 9am & 11:15am (south)
- Sunday [Fusion, 18-35] | 6pm (north)

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Welcome



### **WELCOME!**

# **INFORMATION**

## **OPPORTUNITIES**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

We're so glad you've chosen to join us!

Christian Assembly (CA) is a community started in response to God's grace shown to us through Jesus Christ. That grace compels us to lead spiritually convinced and unconvinced people to complete commitment to Jesus Christ.

We don't profess to have all the answers. but we do believe there is a God who is worth knowing and following. Whether you are simply curious about Jesus or have been a long-time follower of Christ, we welcome you and are excited you are with us todav.

Enjoy the service!

Tom Hughes & Mark Pickerill Co-Lead Pastors

## NEW?

- We'd love to meet you! Stop by our **New People's Table** in the lobby where we have a welcome gift for you.
- There is a Connection Card in the seatbacks that you can use to ask questions, submit a prayer request or just let us know you're visiting. Fill it out and drop it in the dropbox at the New People's Table.
- If you have an infant or you'd like your child to be with you during service, there is a **family room** that is equipped with a live feed of the service as well as a private nursing room for mothers. The courtyard is also available with a live feed. Just ask an usher!



The Bible is filled with the true stories of the "giants of faith" who were simply real people who faced these same challenges and more. God has a good race set out before each one of us. The good news is that you don't have to run your race alone. Invite a friend and join us next weekend as we continue in our new series Running With The Giants and see how God will use their faith then to build your faith now! Next weekend is a Kingdom weekend.



Whether you are newer to CA or have been here for years, join us for our 1-day Partnership class (normally done over 4 weeks), on Saturday, June 3 (9am to 3pm). Partnership is an important step towards belonging where you will get to meet some of our pastors and learn our church history, values & beliefs. Lunch included. No childcare. For more info and to register, please visit: cachurch.com/partnerhsip



Our Kids Church Program is offered during all services for children from birth to 5th grade. For more information stop by CHURCH the Kids Church tent or visit: cakidschurch.com

We offer programs for both middle and high schoolers. For grades 6th-8th, we meet on Saturdays (6pm-7:15pm) and for grades 9th-12th, we meet on Wednesdays (7pm-8:30pm). For more info, please visit: castudents678.com





Fusion is one of our weekend services and is specifically geared toward 18-35 vear olds. We meet on Sunday nights 6pm at 2435 Colorado Blvd. (north). Join us! For more info. visit: cafusion.com

MAY 19TH-20TH, 2023

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### **Mexico Trip with La Roca**

We are sending a team to partner with La Roca in Tijuana, Mexico on May 5-7. We will do work projects and help with outreach events in the community. The cost is \$60/person. For more info and to register, please visit: cachurch.com/ kinadom

#### **Women's Bible Study**

Join us for our next session of Women's Bible Study as we finish up the Gospel of John. We meet on Tuesday nights (7pm) and Wednesday mornings (9:30am) at 2435 Colorado Blvd. (north sanctuary) for worship, a teaching time and discussion groups. For more info and to register for free childcare, please visit; cachurch.com/wbs

#### **Conversations About Jesus**

We invite you to the table for authentic Conversations About Jesus as we discuss His relevance today and His impact in our own stories. Thursday nights (7pm) - May 4, 11, 18 & 25 at Lucky Baldwins in Pasadena. Bring a friend, a coworker, a family member and any questions you have. You are welcome to the table. For more info. please visit: cachurch.com/conversations

#### **Women's Bunco Night**

Ladies, join us on Monday, May 8 (7pm-9pm) at 2435 Colorado Blvd. (north). for Bunco May-nia! Bunco is a fun and simple dice-rolling game and a great way to connect with other women. Invite some friends and join us! Cost is free. Please RSVP at: cachurch.com/buncomavnia

#### Audition For The Worship Team

All vocalists and instrumentalists are invited to come audition to join the CA Worship Team on Saturday, May 6 (1pm). For more info. location and to secure your audition slot, please email: worship@cachurch.com

#### **Hurting Moms. Mending Hearts**

No one understands the pain of having a child who is making destructive decisions like another hurting mom. Hurting Moms, Mending Hearts is a safe place for moms to share their heartache with other women while working through a process that will start them on a path toward hope and healing. This 10-week Thrive Growth Group will meet on Thursdays, starting April 27 (7pm) at 2435 Colorado Blvd. Rm 21 (north). For more info and to register, please visit: cachurch.com/thrive