

## Scripture Reading Schedule

### Week 5: April 29-May 5

Monday	Acts 8:1-8
Tuesday	Acts 8:9-25
Wednesday	Acts 8:26-40
Thursday	1 Peter 5
Friday	Galatians 1:1-10
Saturday	Galatians 1:11-24

### Week 6: May 6-12

Monday	Acts 9:1-9
Tuesday	Acts 9:10-19
Wednesday	Acts 9:20-31
Thursday	Acts 9:32-42
Friday	Galatians 2:1-10
Saturday	Galatians 2:11-21

### Week 7: May 13-19

Monday	Acts 10:1-23
Tuesday	Acts 10:24-48
Wednesday	Acts 11:1-18
Thursday	Acts 11:19-30
Friday	Galatians 3:1-14
Saturday	Galatians 3:15-29

### Week 8: May 20-26

Monday	Acts 12:1-25
Tuesday	Acts 13:1-12
Wednesday	Acts 13:13-52
Thursday	Acts 14:1-20
Friday	Galatians 4:1-20
Saturday	Galatians 4:21-31

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### Week 9: May 27- June 2

Monday	Acts 14:21-15:21
Tuesday	Acts 15:22-41
Wednesday	Acts 16:1-15
Thursday	Acts 16:16-40
Friday	Galatians 5:1-12
Saturday	Galatians 5:13-26

### Week 10: June 3-9

Monday	Acts 17:1-15
Tuesday	Acts 17:16-34
Wednesday	Acts 18
Thursday	Acts 19:1-22
Friday	Acts 19:23-41
Saturday	Galatians 6

### Week 11: June 10-16

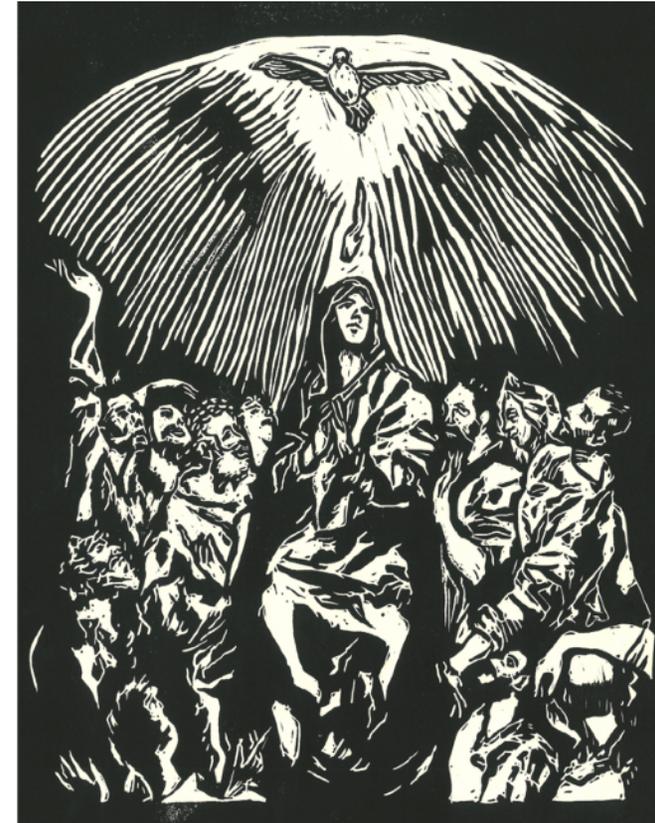
Monday	Acts 20
Tuesday	Acts 21:1-26
Wednesday	Acts 21:27-40
Thursday	Acts 22:1-29
Friday	Acts 22:30 - 23:11
Saturday	2 John 1

### Week 12: June 17-23

Monday	Acts 23:12 - 24:27
Tuesday	Acts 25
Wednesday	Acts 26
Thursday	Acts 27:1-26
Friday	Acts 27:27-44
Saturday	Acts 28

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# Intrusive God Disruptive Gospel



## Stories from the Book of Acts

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*“These are the people who are turning the world upside down...”*

Acts 17:6

The gospel of Jesus Christ changes *everything!*

Frequently those who announce this gospel do things that create or lead to large-scale disruptions. In one instance, they are accused of turning the world *upside down...*

This is news that disrupts the status quo, threatens the powers that be, and even causes riots!

What they teach about Jesus Christ asks people to embrace new religious, social, political and economic values, often putting both the proclaimers and their audiences at odds with the established order.

Author Matthew Skinner writes:

*“The world doesn’t appreciate being turned upside down. So it usually strikes back, not out of bigotry or disagreement or religious conviction but out of a keen awareness of just how influential this news will be if it is allowed to settle into into a community and change how people live, worship, think about themselves and spend their money.”*

The gospel creates new realities among those who join it, even as it occasionally upsets their preexisting convictions about what’s proper. Or what’s possible.

*The gospel is, in a word, disruptive.*

People who live out this gospel say their God is bringing something new into being, something that challenges “the world” the prevailing sense of “the way things are.” As a result, the same word disruptive applies to God.

In the book of Acts, God intrudes. God breaks in. God interferes with our lives and plans.

Whether by sending people out to declare the good news about Jesus, preserving a shipload of desperate travellers during a violent storm, miraculously freeing persecuted missionaries from imprisonment, or creating communities where people gather together to worship, learn and care for one another, the intrusive God who is at work in the stories of Acts repeatedly likes to disturb our lives and upend our world.

Which begs the question: What would it look like for God to disrupt our lives and societies today?

As the good news of Jesus Christ spreads, we wonder? We, the readers of Acts and followers of Jesus wonder:

*Just how far will the mercy go?*

Adapted from  
*Intrusive God, Disruptive Gospel: Encountering the Divine in the Book of Acts*  
Matthew L. Skinner

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### Week 1: April 1-7

Monday	Luke 24:13-35
Tuesday	John 21:1-14
Wednesday	John 21:15-25
Thursday	Luke 24:36-49
Friday	Acts 1:1-11
Saturday	1 Peter 1:1-12

### Week 2: April 8-14

Monday	Acts 1:12-26
Tuesday	Acts 2:1-13
Wednesday	Acts 2:14-41
Thursday	Acts 2:42-47
Friday	1 Peter 1:13-25
Saturday	1 Peter 2:1-10

### Week 3: April 15-21

Monday	Acts 3:1-10
Tuesday	Acts 3:11-24
Wednesday	Acts 4:1-31
Thursday	Acts 4:32-5:11
Friday	1 Peter 2:11-25
Saturday	1 Peter 3

### Week 4: April 22-28

Monday	Acts 5:12-42
Tuesday	Acts 6:1-15
Wednesday	Acts 7:1-53
Thursday	Acts 7:53-8:1
Friday	1 Peter 4:1-11
Saturday	1 Peter 4:12-19