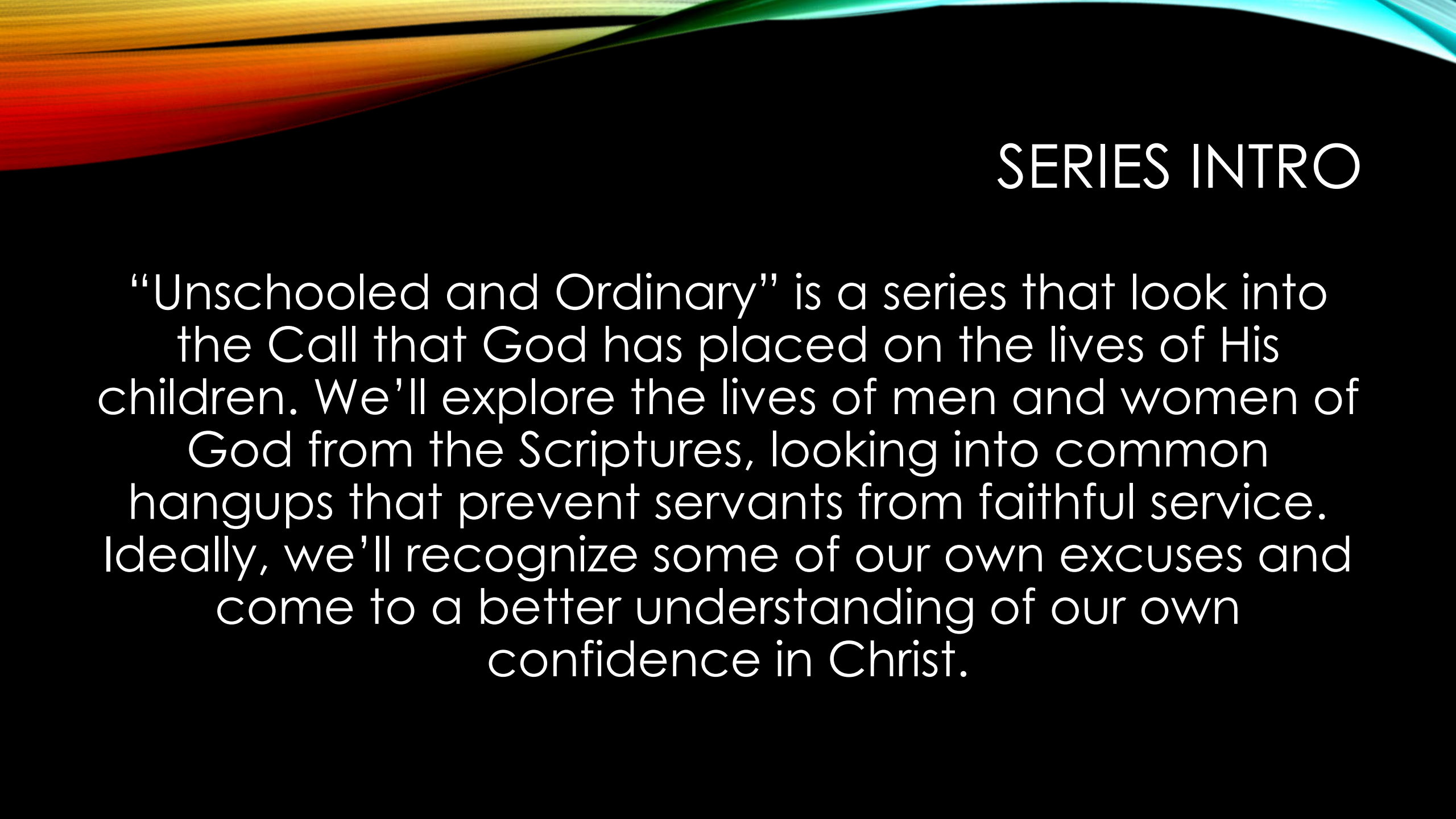
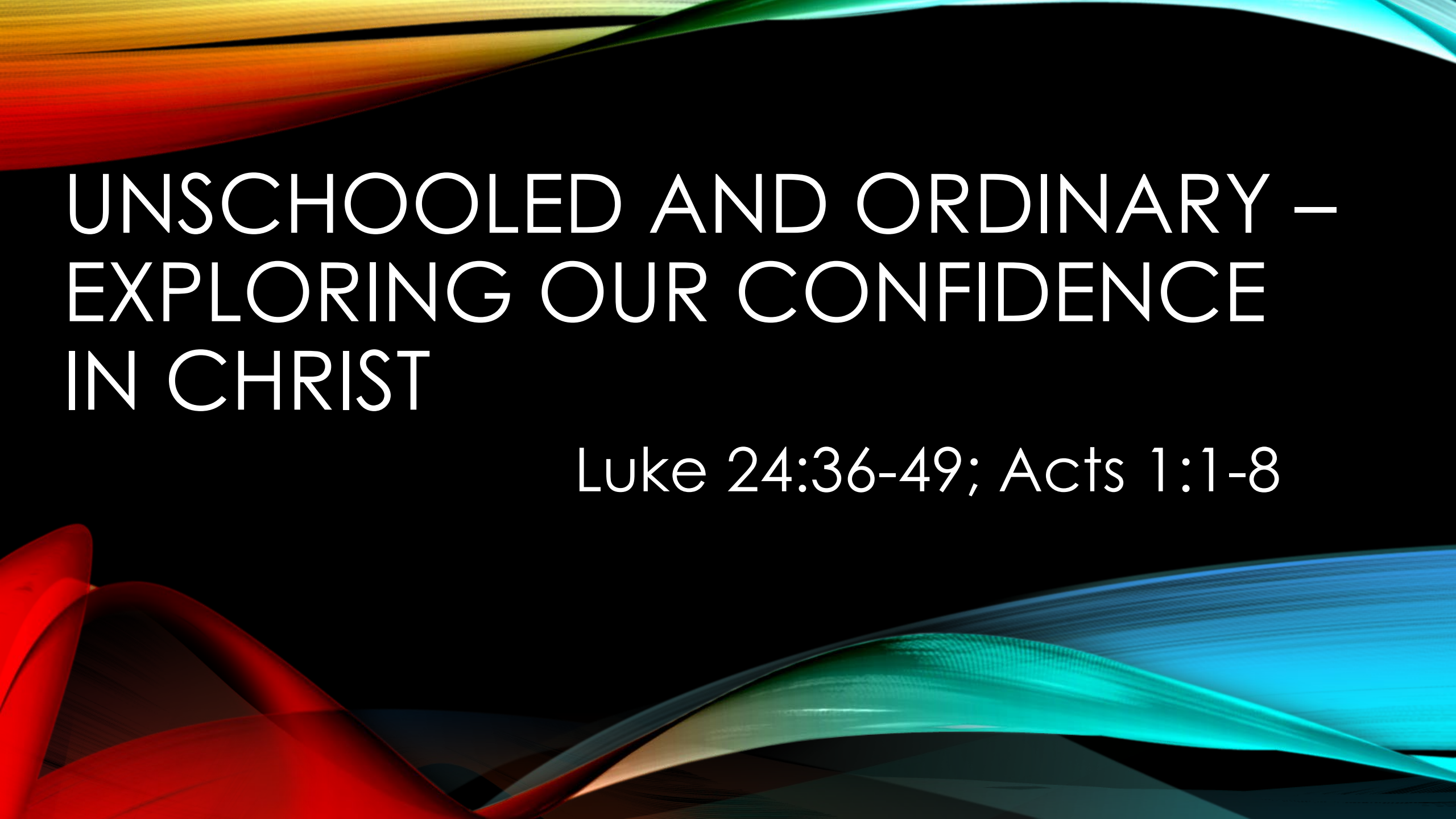




SERIES INTRO

“Unschoolled and Ordinary” is a series that look into the Call that God has placed on the lives of His children. We’ll explore the lives of men and women of God from the Scriptures, looking into common hangups that prevent servants from faithful service. Ideally, we’ll recognize some of our own excuses and come to a better understanding of our own confidence in Christ.



UNSCHOOLED AND ORDINARY – EXPLORING OUR CONFIDENCE IN CHRIST

Luke 24:36-49; Acts 1:1-8



LUKE 24: 36-49

Between Christ's Resurrection and His Ascension

Vs. 36 Who are “they?” See Verse 33 and John 20:19ff

Vs. 44 “Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms”
(See also 24:27)

Vs. 45 A worthy prayer “Lord, open our minds that we may understand the Scriptures.”

Vss. 46-47 What is written: “The Christ will suffer and rise from the dead on the third day, and repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in His name”

See also Matt. 28:19-20

Vs. 48 “Witnesses” Not simply one who tells what they saw/heard. The Gr. here is where we get the English word ‘martyr,’ one who dies for his faith. See Acts 1:8



Vs. 49 What did the Father promise? The Holy Spirit
See John 14:15; Acts 2:1-13

“But stay in the city”
Loud and clear

“Until...”



ACTS 1:1-8

Vs. 1 “In my former book” The Gospel of Luke

The books of Luke and Acts dovetail neatly together

Vs. 4 “On one occasion” Our earlier text, Luke 24:42-43

Vs. 8 The indwelling Holy Spirit (1 Cor. 6:19-20) provides the believer with all the power needed to be the people of God, faithful to His mission and purpose.

Power both to live and to die, if necessary,
for the sake of the Gospel.

Power to unashamedly proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ, not only far away but to our neighbors.

So then, what are we waiting for? What is holding us back from serving, proclaiming Christ, testifying to the goodness of God, ministering in Christ's name?

A blinding light on the roadside?

Another seminar on spiritual gifts?

Another leadership workshop?

Another discipleship course?

Another year under our belt as a Christ-follower?

That moment when we are the most obvious choice in the room?



LET US REMEMBER...

“You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses...”

- Acts 1:8

And when was that? Or when will that be?
At the moment of your conversion.

See Acts 2:38