



“Kingdom Confidence”

Acts 1:1-3, 28:23-31

LISTEN

Record your insights and observations from this week’s sermon:

SHARE

What is something you are hoping for? Explain why.

REFLECT

a) Read Acts 28:17-31. What were the circumstances in which Paul found himself in this passage?

b) In what manner did Paul preach the kingdom of God? (see vss. 23 and 31)

c) How did people react to Paul’s teaching of the kingdom of God? (see vss. 22, 24-27, 30)

d) How would you describe Paul’s demeanor in Acts 28:17-31? What do you think was the source of his attitude?

APPLY

a) Read Acts 1:1-3. How does this relate to what you read in Acts 28:23-31? How does this give you hope?

b) In what ways is God's work at UPC a continuation of what we see happening in the book of Acts?

c) Why are we able to be optimistic that God's mission will be accomplished even when circumstances look grim?

d) God's mission ought to propel us into mission with boldness and optimism. Take some time to dream. How would you like to see God's kingdom come at UPC, in east Orlando and around the world?

PRAY

a) Thank God for specific things you have learned from our study of the book of Acts.

b) Ask God to create a growing spirit of Kingdom confidence at UPC.

c) Pray boldly that God's Kingdom will come, as Jesus taught us to pray in the Lord's Prayer. Be concrete as you ask the Lord to revive the church locally and globally; to transform individuals, families, institutions, and nations for his glory; and to bring people throughout the world into the family of God.

d) Pray for yourself, that you will not let discouragement and fear make you stop sharing the good news of the Kingdom of God.