

# JESUS, DALLAS & NT

## *The Book of Acts*



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*A good school*

## **The Course Vision**

Present grace & truth to know life in the gospel of the Kingdom of God to unleash Heaven on Earth.

## **The Course Intention**

- \* Honor Jesus as King.
- \* Teach the gospel of the Kingdom of Heaven on Earth.
- \* Offer practical application for training into *Christlikeness*.
- \* Provide weekly encouragement and accountability.

## **The Course Means**

- \* 4 interactive sessions with optional, extended Q&C.
- \* Study Guide, more teachings and spiritual growth practices.
- \* A Cadre of the Christlike from A-Z — Australia to Zimbabwe



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### **Format - 30 minutes**

- Welcome, Focus & Review
  - Session Highlights
  - Your Q&C's
  - Summary & Blessing
- After: Linger Longer Q&C

# Your Fellow Apprentice

## Doug Webster

- \* Following Jesus since age 14
- \* Vanguard University & Fuller Seminary
- \* Met the Jesus Dallas Knew 16 years ago & NT 10 years ago
- \* Started Jesus College in 2015
- \* Our 15th webinar engaging 1600+ participants from 47 Countries & 43 U.S. states.
- \* New launch of Jesus College's "Master's in the Master" spiritual training
- \* Twice blessed to sit under NT Wright's teaching on Galatians (2021) & Romans 8 (2022)
- \* A Blessed Family



# JESUS, DALLAS & NT — THE BOOK OF ACTS

## Act 1 — “Jesus as King”

- I. The Spirit of Jesus & the Kingdom of God
- II. The Book of Acts - Overview
- III. The Power of the Kingdom of God
- IV. Heaven & Earth Together in Jesus
- V. The Ascension of the King to His Throne
- VI. The Church - Disciples of a Kingdom World Revolution

## Act 2 — “Peter & God’s People”

## Act 3 — “Paul & the Gentiles”

## Act 4 — “Kingdom Beachheads Then & Now”

In the first book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and teach 2 until the day when he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. 3 After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God. 4 While staying with them, he ordered them not to leave Jerusalem but to wait there for the promise of the Father. "This," he said, "is what you have heard from me; 5 for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." 6 So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7 He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. 8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." 9 When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.



## **The Book of Acts — “Jesus: Kingdom Unity”**

“A human organization for world revolution.”

Dallas, “Acts” Talk #1

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“Jesus as King, Messiah & Lord and the new Temple of Heaven on Earth.”

NT, “Acts” Talk #2 (video 8)



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## Act 1 — “Jesus as King”

### Session 1 - Book of Acts Teaching Sources

Dallas

“Acts” Talk #1 Start - 20:00 and 35:40 - End  
Talk Notes in the Study Guide - p. 12-14, 16-22

The Divine Conspiracy Lecture #6 28:20-39:30  
Talk Notes in the Study Guide - p. 58-59

NT “Acts” Talk #1 (videos 1-6)  
Talk Notes in the Study Guide - p. 33-40



# JESUS, DALLAS & NT — THE BOOK OF ACTS

## Act 1 — “Jesus as King”

### **I. The Spirit of Jesus and the Kingdom of God**

“An eternal work God is doing in history. Start in Genesis 1:26 - the rule of human being under the rule of God. The Kingdom of God is here. The book of Acts is where God revealed Himself to the world through His Son. His closest friends did not know what was happening. He’s talking to them about the Kingdom of God.” Dallas, “Acts” Talk #1

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“The whole book is about what it looks like when the life of Heaven comes to birth on Earth. It’s all about Jesus...through His Spirit, working in and through the church to establish His Kingdom - God’s sovereign rule coming on Earth as in Heaven. The Kingdom of God and Lordship of Jesus frame the book of Acts.”

NT, “Acts” Talk #1 Videos 1-2



## II. The Book of Acts Overview by NT

Acts 1-12 - Herod vs. Jesus and Herod dies

Acts 13-28 - Caesar vs. Jesus

Paul in Rome — Jesus is Lord not Caesar

*“Acts”* Talk #1 (video 6)

“Jesus is celebrated as Lord, even over the wild waves that shipwreck Paul and threaten to stop his getting to Rome to announce God as king and Jesus as Lord at the heart of the greatest superpower the world had ever known.” NT, *Simply Jesus*, 213

### **III. The Power of the Kingdom of God**

“People still asking for a kingdom based on a human organization...the Messiah to come in the form of a governmental leader. You shall receive power from the Spirit. Have Jeremiah 49:6 in mind when you read Acts 1. He is talking about world revolution — Love - Law - Power. Place the book of Acts in God’s march through history. World revolution is what the Great Commission is about, what Acts 1 is about.” Dallas, “Acts” Talk #1

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“Will you restore the Kingdom? The answer is yes but not like you thought it was going to be. ‘You will receive power to be my witnesses’. The entire task of the church is summed up in Acts 1:8. We observed the enthronement of the world’s true Lord and are charged with going to tell the world who this Lord is and the consequences of the nature of His Kingdom.”

NT, “Acts” Talk #1 Video 2

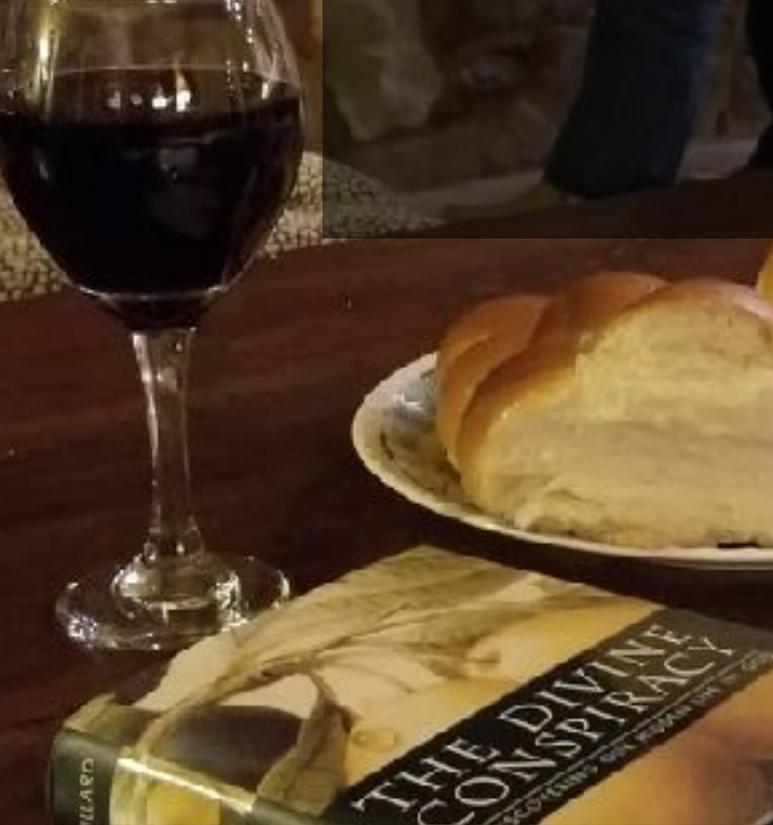
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Act 1 — “Jesus as King”

A few words from Professor Dallas

**The Face of the Kingdom**

“The Divine Conspiracy Lecture #6”  
[29:25-30:25]





#### **IV. Heaven and Earth Come Together in King Jesus**

“Walk through the book of Acts and watch how the gospel of the Kingdom and the gospel of Jesus come together. You will see them separate at the beginning and together at the end. Acts put a face to the Kingdom and a Kingdom to the face. People did not know what Jesus was talking about when He talked about the Kingdom of God.”

Dallas, [The Divine Conspiracy Lecture #6](#) 29:25

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**Video 4 - The Temple: Heaven & Earth**

[00:00-1:20]



## **IV. Heaven and Earth Come Together in King Jesus**

(continued)

“Think about the Temple and then think about the whole Earth. This is hugely germane to the meaning of Acts. Acts is the theology of Jesus and the church as the true Temple. Jesus is the place where Heaven and Earth have come together, uniquely, decisively and forever.” NT, “Acts” Talk #1 Video 4



## **V. The Ascension of the King to His Throne**

“If Heaven and Earth are joined together in Jesus in biblical theology then Heaven is the control room for Earth. Heaven is not a detached place in order to not have something to do with earth. The ascension is the correlate of the world wide mission of the church. Once Jesus is raised to heaven, He is in charge and He sends people to implement His work and His will.”

NT, “Acts” Talk #1 Video 4



*What did His people know to do what they did?*

## **VI. The Church —**

### **Disciples of a Kingdom World Revolution**

“This is a radical shift - bringing knowledge of the Kingdom of God of Jesus Christ, what He is doing today. We are not called to help people do things. We are called to help people know things...to learn to live there as disciples who know eternal living. The book of Acts comes at a point where all the preparation has been completed. Jesus has come into the world to make real the power of the Kingdom of God.”

Dallas, “Acts” Talk #2

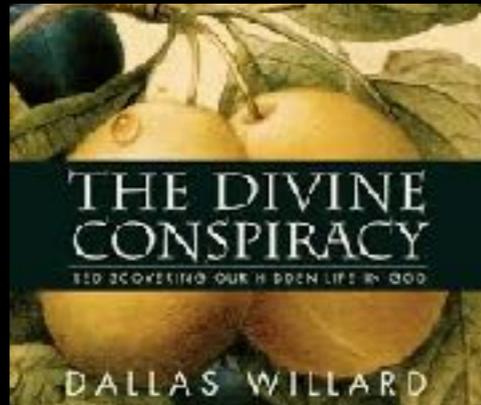


*“Why do you look up to Heaven?” Acts 1:11*

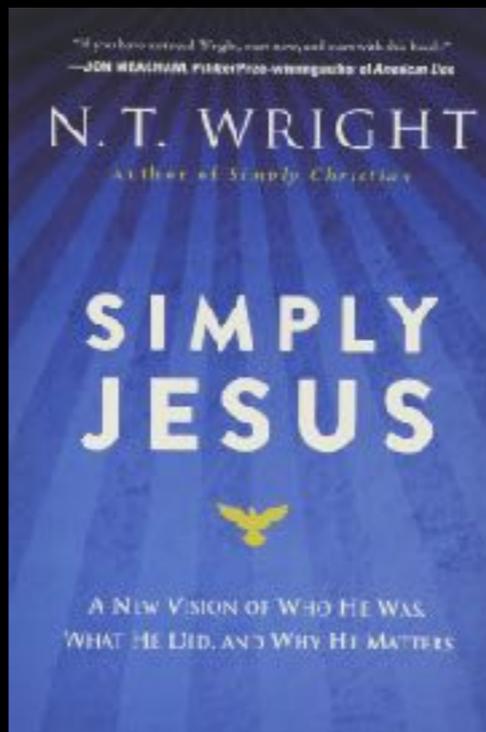
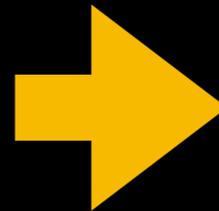
The question is not, “Will I go to Heaven when I die?”

The question is, “Will Heaven come into me while I am alive?”

*“Christ in you the hope of glory.” Colossians 1:27*



**KINGDOM TECHNOLOGY**



# Q&C

Your Questions & Comments are welcome!

(Use the Q&A on the bottom of your Zoom screen)



Q&A



Wherever your time zone, Southern California or South Africa, Nigeria or Nazareth, each one of us is a steward of 10,080 minutes every week. If you spend 80 minutes weekly in personal study plus our course discussion, you have 10,000 minutes to flesh out Kingdom living in your ordinary life. Each session offers life application to help you make every effort to grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**Meditation** — *Acts 1:1-8, Psalm 72, Isaiah 6*

## **Application**

V — Where is Heaven and how and when will I enter it?

I — How revolutionary is my view of my apprenticeship with Jesus?

M — How and with whom will I pray this week to receive Holy Spirit power?





## **Session 1 Summary**

Jesus is King now ruling Heaven and Earth from His throne and He empowers us to know how Kingdom living actually works in the poorest and most powerful places on Earth as it is in the Heavens where He reigns.

# Next Week — Session 2 of 4

Act 2 — “Peter and God’s People”

Acts 1:12-12:35

Dallas

“Acts” #1 20:00 - 35:40

Talk Notes in the Study Guide - p. 13-15

“Acts” #2 18:30-30:30

Talk Notes in the Study Guide - p. 24-25

NT “Acts” Talk #2 (videos 7-13)

Talk Notes in the Study Guide - p. 41-47

**For Recorded Sessions + Slides, go to:**

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May you know the Kingdom power by the Spirit of Jesus at work in and through you as you walk closely with the King in your next 10,000 minutes.

*Doug*



Apprentice to Master Love – //Nouns

*“A Student of the Superior Benefactor”*

Apprentice to Master Love – //Verbs

*“Training to be proficient in willing the good”*



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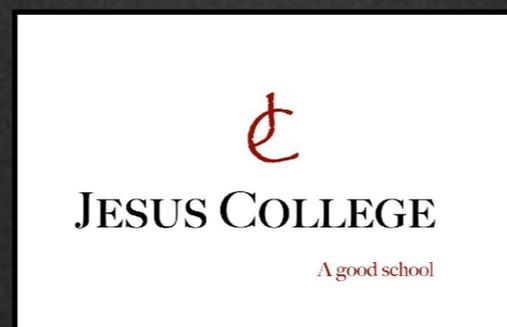
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