



## **Made For: Divine Alignment**

### Series Vision:

There is so much chaos and calamity happening in the world around us: The pandemic and the isolation that social distancing has caused in our lives, the fires in our backyard, the yelling going on amidst the media and political climate, and so much more. In a season like this, it's important for us to acknowledge some of the challenges we have in our souls. It is also important for us to understand and believe that God knows what time it is, and He has made us for this time. Those that followed Jesus likewise found themselves in chaotic times, beginning with Jesus' death and resurrection. In the book of Acts, we'll see how God used that chaos to mold the apostles into the world changers they were always meant to be. God wants to do the same with us today.

### **Reading Ahead of October 18 Service: Acts 2:38-47**

We want to encourage everyone to invite Holy Spirit's presence to meet you right where you are as you sit in this week's passage before Pastor John shares what he feels is God's heart for our church family this Sunday. As you engage with Holy Spirit in this passage, be asking this question - "Holy Spirit, what is one word or phrase from this passage that you want to impress on my heart for this week? Then, when you're ready, jump into the passage here below...

#### **Acts 2:38-47**

***38 Peter replied, "Repent and be baptized, every one of you, in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins. And you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 The***

***promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call.”***

***40 With many other words he warned them; and he pleaded with them, “Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.” 41 Those who accepted his message were baptized, and about three thousand were added to their number that day.***

***42 They devoted themselves to the apostles’ teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. 43 Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. 44 All the believers were together and had everything in common. 45 They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. 46 Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, 47 praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.***

**Other Questions to Consider after Reading:**

1. What do you feel? What specific situation in your life today/this week relates? Write down a prayer or pray quietly.
2. What is God’s personal invitation to you from the Scripture? You can write down what the Lord may be saying to you or a prayer of thanks. Or simply rest quietly in the Spirit’s presence.

May the Lord bless you and keep you, the Lord make His face to shine upon you and be gracious to you, the Lord turn His face toward you and give you peace!