Acts - Part 1 LeRoy Eims

I. Introduction.

A. The book of Acts is written to an individual Theophilus by Luke.

B. Luke writes to give the strongest proofs about Jesus Christ.

II. Jesus' last words unto the disciples before ascending was that they were to be witnesses unto Him. (Acts 1:8)

A. Recorded history is a story of man's struggle against man.

1. God intended an absence of violence in the first place.

2. God had to allow people their own choice so that they could choose to love Him. Man chose his own way though - he chose sin. (Isaiah 53:6, Romans 1:28)

3. The world is sick unto death and the problem is that the whole world is full of quacks running around with their rotten manmade remedies.

B. The only solution to the sin problem is Jesus. It is impossible to have a Kingdom of God society without Kingdom of God men who are born again. (Mark 7:20)

C. Man at his best is vain, but he can be restored through Jesus Christ. (Psalm 39:5, John 10:10, 1 John 5:11-12, Romans 5:8)

D. Jesus died on the cross to deal with his real moral guilt.

E. Christ is the sum total of everything and he is all that matters.

III. A look unto Jesus.

A. The Old Testament is the story of Jesus. (Hebrews 1:1-3)

B. The greatness of the message is shown by the greatness of the messenger.

C. All things were made by Him - physical and spiritual. (John 1, Colossians)

D. Jesus is the total revelation of God. (Colossians 1:4)

E. Jesus is the Savior who came to purge our sins. (Matthew 1:21)

F. We are men sent from God to share Jesus Christ.

Application questions

1. Why does man's choice result in such a bad situation? Explain, and use Scripture for support.

2. How is Christ the solution to this great sin problem?

3. Memorize 1 John 5:11-12 and write it below. How does this verse demonstrate the great solution to the world's sin problem and the security of it?
