

## The Evangelist (Ac. 12:1-19)

I welcome you all who have joined us for worship. I believe that God will give you an important answer and you will receive it. You will need answers. The world is becoming more difficult and we are coming to the end times. To say that we are coming to the end times means it is becoming more difficult but you must be deceived by that. There is a power that enables you to overcome it. That is worship, covenant, and prayer. May you hold to the covenant as you give worship. When people become in need of help, they have no choice but to worship and pray to God. That is not only when they are in difficulties. The utmost thing for mankind to do is give worship which is why you must give worship. May you hold to the covenant as you give worship and receive God's answers. You need answers to resolve life problems. If people cannot come to the answer, they cannot solve life problems or stand as a witness. How can they stand as a witness if they do not solve their own life problems? The greatest issue that you face is how to receive continuous answers or how evangelism can continuously take place. We all wish for this to take place. You live your life with your own effort and suffer when it should be a life that takes place. Every week, the Word proclaims the answer. It was the same as last week. It was the message that says to follow the ark of the covenant for you can cross over your problems like the Israelites who crossed the Jordan River on dry ground. For those that are people of God, they must stake their life to follow the ark of the covenant. Then they would be able to live their life like they crossed the river on dry ground. It is God's promise who created the heavens and the earth. The ark of the covenant was in the midst of the Jordan River. Once everyone crossed the river, the ark of the covenant crossed as well. It is a tremendous message of God for you must never forget what He has done. You must never forget how He placed His word inside of your heart. He says to place the 12 memorial stones. It is a message that they must raise their children and pass this on. After fifty years, the answers that you received will be relayed to your children as well. Even after you live for sixty years. Even if you are sixty years old, you have forty years to relay this to your children. That is why you must stake your life to raise your children. Couple days ago, I shared about Rebekah who failed to relay the Word to her children. If Rebekah was able to relay to Esau that the first born right would be given to the second son, he would have acknowledged it. He may have denied it but as a mother she should have relayed this to her son until he acknowledges it. Even for Jacob, she should've conscientiously emphasized to Jacob so that he does not do foolish things and become an enemy to his brother. Many have misconceptions regarding this. Isaac is the father. Isaac said that he will bless the first born son when the son brings him the stew to him. Rebekah heard that as she dressed Jacob up for him to receive the blessing. But does that mean that since Isaac did not bless Jacob, he would not receive that blessing? Let's say that Isaac laid his hands on Esau. Would the blessing given to Jacob be transferred to Esau? I can see that some of you have doubts about this. That is all a religion. How is it possible for man to ordain a son and transfer the blessing from son to son? It does not

matter if the father ordains or does not ordain his son. It does not matter about what the sons do to receive that. It was already decided. Just because of the porridge stews that they brought doesn't mean that the blessing would be transferred. Of course, it was Esau who God had chosen before He created all things. For Isaac and Rebekah, it was different. She should have continuously testified the gospel because it is a commission from God but that is how they became enemies. That is for most cases. That is why you must stake your life to relay the covenant to your children. For those who are worshipping at home, if you do not stake your life for it, your children have no choice but to perish. If you have a special case for you not being able to come to worship, at least send an Uber to send your children to the place of worship, we have been the church selected by God because we are facing the end times. Take a look at the church history. Has there ever been a time that the accurate gospel has been relayed to the world? If it is not Moody or Wesley, then it is not the case for anyone. May you come to your senses, hold to your commission, and really give the sincere worship before the Lord. The unbelievers are living well off and we live with them. As a parent, if your child is not deeply rooted inside the church, they may live off well as an unbeliever, but may you wait for them to return back to the Lord. To be honest, it is not the child's fault, but the parent's fault who did not relay that correctly to their child. But yet, God has given you the answer and you lack to relay this to your children. I shared this story with you in the past. I shared the gospel with someone. This person came to the sense that they needed to quickly testify this to their parents. He told his parents to believe in Jesus. They didn't listen so he said it again. This repeated until years passed by. One day, he came to a resolution. In the month of October, he didn't tell them that he would visit but just showed up. He stabbed his hand, went into the room, and asked them if they would believe God or not. So, they knelt before him and accepted Jesus inside of their hearts. I'm not telling you to do the same. I'll be honest, I would not do that, but for my parents as well, they don't believe. That is why you must believe and hold to the covenant. You may believe, but you don't hold it as your covenant. This is the same as a nonbeliever. There was the story of Rahab. She was a prostitute so many looked down on her. Yet, she chose the covenant to which her life was overturned. Last week, we spoke of the Antioch Church. Because of the covenant, the church was persecuted. If they switched the words, they could live there. But they could not agree with what they wanted them to do, so they simply testified that it is only Christ for them. So they could not live where they originally lived, but were scattered. Imagine if you were not able to live where you live right now and have no choice. If you were caught by them, you would have to be taken away or you would have to run away, but what would happen if you were in San Francisco? But the minority of people whose names were unknown went to testify the gospel to the Gentiles. That is how they established the Antioch Church. They left a mark in church history. Our end goal is heaven. It is not on earth, which is why we are continuously being spiritually perished since we are fixated on that, your goal should be the reward in heaven, not on earth. That is Satan is deceiving you and is at work. You have no

choice but to be deceived. Should you live your life like this? Take a look at the historical figures. Their names were unknown. The small number of the lay leaders stood as the models of the Antioch Church. Don't you want to be this figure as well? May you quietly resolve in your heart. May you not call out for the Lord, but quietly resolve in your hearts. For those who choose and follow the covenant will receive answers. They will be victorious and stand as a witness. May this blessing be upon you.

### 1. The Evangelist

Today is one of the important incidents that occurred in the Early Church. He was a king who was not a Jew, but was reigning at the time. He wanted to go and capture Peter so he did. Many people prayed for him. They did not believe, but they continuously prayed. Even prayer that lacks faith will be answered so they prayed. The angel of the Lord was sent to the cell so he could come out. The little girl screamed out that it was Peter but nobody believed her. Later on, they still did not believe that the angel of the Lord appeared. But it didn't matter. It is not the prayer that has faith, but the earnest prayer. That is why you must pray. Later on, King Herod was put to death. He was an important evangelist of that age. Evangelism is to testify of Christ. Is the evangelism to explain that Jesus Christ is the answer and that the precious blood of Jesus Christ is the promise. What promise is that? It is the complete answer that is the solution to all problems that have risen from the cause. It was the cause of original sin, but it was the precious blood of Jesus Christ that was testified to them for it has resolved all things. The promised blood of Christ was placed to which there was no curse. Noah was a person of the covenant. At the time, all birds, animals, and people were put to death. But yet, Noah and his family lived. Not only was it him and his family, but the animals in the ark lived. This is something more important. Noah received all of the information about the flood from God. He spoke about how the flood would come, how he could overcome it, and what he should do during it. It was the privilege and grace of those who have the covenant. You have this as well. You have the fundamental covenant of that. The cause is Satan and original sin. The answer is Jesus Christ. It is the precious blood of Jesus Christ that is the promise and the answer to all. For those that can enjoy this will crush the head of Satan. This is your life answer so you must live in this matter. This was given in an example in which they followed the covenant. For example, he gave the covenant to Rahab and she chose the covenant. You simply have to come to the answer of one thing. For those who come to the answer and always listen to the messages that repeat the same answer, they never get sick of it. For those who follow the logic or theories of the world, they get sick of it. Yet, for those who listen to the covenant of Jesus Christ get strengthened and want to listen to it even more. They receive strength from this for Jesus Christ and the working of the Holy Spirit. We have gathered for the sake of that reason and answer. You must hold onto this, state your life for this, and die for this. That is when the doors to mission and evangelism in your life will open. You must be able to follow God's desire to live a grand life. There is no reason for you to live a small life. It is the

Bible that records the figures who follow the covenant. They all lived a historical life. That is possible for you as well. That is the historical church that relayed the churches to the Americas. Isn't that the case? If that is the historical answer that God has given to us, even if you lack faith, may you simply pray that it will be answered. Hebrew 11 states that there were a cloud of witnesses and Peter was one of them. Peter confesses in Matthew 16:16, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." He went to the mountain to see that Jesus had transfigured and he was completely stunned. Something more important occurred when they heard the voice of God as He said that they must listen to His word. You must follow, receive, and hold to the Word. You must kneel down before the Word. It was Peter who first went inside of Jesus's tomb, but it was a female believer that first saw Jesus. He was able to confirm. Isn't that so? You must confirm John 14:6, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." Throughout the year, why don't you ask yourself before God asking if Jesus is the way. May you ask yourself if he is truly the truth. Is he truly the way that will resolve all life problems? He is the only truth for there is nothing that is the truth except for him. Ask yourself before God if you will truly live in the life He has given you. Why don't you ask God and stand before Him. Pray and ask Him to show you that He is the way. If that person confirms it, they will stand as a witness. With that one word, you will conclude all things. If you can confirm that He is the way, you can conclude all things with that alone. He is not the only way to heaven, but the way to receive answers and to all things. If you have life complications, He is your way. You must be able to ask yourself before God if He is the way for you to raise your children. That is why you can stand as a witness to testify that He is the way and everything is finished. May you stand as a witness, for there are many who need this. Acts 3 states the incident of the crippled man where Peter stands as a witness. There was an uproar but that was the realistic work that has taken place and started the Early Church. That was the first time in the field to which they could testify that Jesus is the Christ. He was a man of scheduled prayer. He had the heart to pray before God in the scheduled time. It was very precious. He testified the gospel to Cornelius in Acts 10. He was a person that God sent for the angels to save him. You must live in this matter as well. You only live once and this will become a physical sense. You must be the one in which through you the Gospel is testified and people are saved. The most important people are the evangelists on earth. That is God's perspective and the people of the world will look down on evangelists, but you do not need to dwell on this for they are the most important in God's eyes. It is the evangelist that God desires to protect and watch over. That is why all of the historical figures on this earth were evangelists. It is the covenant that you must hold to as you become the Antioch Church to save the Americas and Latin America. You must continue to relay the mystery of evangelism strategies and the Gospel to them. It is our prayer topic for us to receive the evidence as a church. I believe that if you follow the covenant and pray, God will allow this to take place.

## 2. A Model Church

It is the evangelist who has the answer of evangelism and the Gospel. Evangelists are the ones who give the life answer to others. Disciples are those who yearn to go and evangelize for those that are attached could receive the evangelism strategies. That is how they will be raised as evangelists. It is completely different for those who act on evangelism. The Gospel is the life answer. You must be able to relay this as the answer until they come to the answer. You must be able to have the content and evidence to continue your ministry. If not, your ministry will come to an end and you will simply be their teacher. If you continuously give the answer to those who yearn to seek this, they will never leave you. For the evangelist, you must have the bigger picture of evangelism that God desires to work upon you once the disciples are attached. That is how you will establish the disciples. You are the one who possesses the answers to the life problems that they face. The one who is prepared is the evangelist. Life problems must be resolved with the Gospel. Regarding evangelism, you must relay the biblical evangelism strategy to them as the answer. The church that has many people like this is the model church. It is the same meaning of the Antioch Church and Commemorative Church. We must be this church upon Latin America and the Americans. For the sake of that, we desire to do world evangelism. If you take a look at Matthew 16:13, Jesus asks a question to the disciples. "He asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is? But who do you say that I am?" This is a very important question. According to their response, it would decide all things upon their life whether they would go this way or that way. From time to time, you must ask this question. Ask yourself who Christ is to you. You may ask who you are and you can reply that you are a child of God but can you conclude all things with that? I am a child of God, but is that the end to all? You must ask what the covenant is to you and if you are living for the covenant. Ask yourself what you are living for or what your life goal is. You must ask yourself for it is important to check upon yourself, confirm, and repent before the Lord. That is why you must live the life of the evangelist and go all in to this. It is so important that you have been saved. It is a rightful result that you can give your entire life to the Lord for the sake of evangelism. Whatever form it may be, you must give your life to the Lord and you will be liberated. You might think that it will be mere difficult, but you will be liberated and receive much more answers. That is when you will have life conquest. You must be able to stand as an evangelist. Evangelism is another answer after Christ regarding answers to your prayer. Yet, it is Satan who deceives to not do that. At times, you fall into Satan's deception. It is not to say that you are wicked, but Satan is constantly deceiving your thoughts, disabling you to be concentrated on evangelism. That is why you must confess that Jesus is your Christ once a day. You must be able to hold to the Bible scripture that correlates to Christ and confess it to yourself. John 14:6 is a representative scripture of the True Prophet. You must be able to confess that "You are my Christ. You are my Lord. You are my way. There is no other way except for this. You are my life. I will be revived. None of my problems can demolish me. Let this take place upon me so that I

can stand as a witness." It is the same for other Bible scripture. Romans 8:1-2, "Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus." You must be able to confess that you will hold the precious blood of Jesus Christ as your covenant. That is why you must confess, "God, please set me free from all curses. I want to stand as your witness. Please crush the serpent's head." 1 John 3:8, "The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the devil's work." Let that day be today. That is prayer. "I believe in the offspring of the woman of Jesus Christ who has crushed the serpent's head Lord, I hold onto this as my covenant, may you crush the serpent's head." That is prayer. For example, let's say that I have 10 problems. When I write down my 10 problems, it would take me more than an hour because I am in tears as I am praying to the Lord. Regardless of how many problems you have, it is concluded with one word. You must make the confession that Jesus is the Christ, the solution to all. And with that confession alone, it has solved all of your problems. May you confess once again that Jesus is the Christ and covenant that I hold onto to crush the head of Satan who is behind these problems. Confess that you have been set free from all curses because of Christ who has died on the cross. Then with that confession of prayer, you have concluded all of your problems. What is next? You simply enjoy life. Before you go to sleep, just confess it again. It is a powerful prayer. If you pray for so many things, you are wasting your time because it is centered on me and my things that I want. That is a religious prayer. Why did God give you the covenant? For you to believe and receive salvation. Why did He give it to you? For you to receive answers and become a witness. How do you enjoy this? Enjoy it in prayer. You are only fixated on the 100 problems that you want to pray to God about. What about the covenant? This must be the center of your prayer. All the time, you are being deceived and put the covenant aside. Change that today. Please get rid of the personal prayer topics that you have. If confessing the three offices is so hard for you simply confess that Christ is my way. With that, it is finished. Simply pray in the name of Jesus Christ and then sleep. Do you know how difficult it is to constantly pray? May you be victorious. Life is simple. When you read the Bible it is so simple, but why is it so complicated? It is because you don't do it. That is it. May you come to your senses and write it down. Write it down on a wall that He is your way. May it be changed and the blessing of victory be upon you. You must first be spiritual victorious and the rest will follow. You must not be defeated by Satan. The answer has already been given to you and will come by God's time schedule. God has already given you the spiritual things that you must hold to. May you restore worship. Simply confess to God that you want to give worship to Him. Simply have your mat, kneel down, lock the door, and sing your praise. And then pray. Read Genesis 3:15 and Matthew 16:16-19. Confess the three offices of Christ. You pray that you believe that God will be at work. That is your walk of faith. May you hold onto Christ and give worship holding onto the covenant for that is your answer. May the blessing be upon you.