

## BE A BRINGER

*"40 One of the two who heard John speak, and followed Him, was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. 41 He first found his own brother Simon, and said to him, 'We have found the Messiah' (which is translated, the Christ). 42 And he brought him to Jesus...."* John 1:40-42a

A bringer makes one touch each week by investing and inviting someone to Christ and church.

Name three people you will pray for their salvation this week:

## PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK

*"Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the LORD in ceasing to pray for you;...."* I Samuel 12:23a

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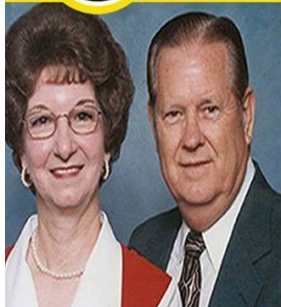
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## MISSIONARY OF THE WEEK

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### PRAY

- Pray for the churches in Rio Bravo and the Tuxpan, Ver area as they prepare for Easter.

- Pray for more people to come to know Christ.

### PRAISE

- Praise God that the young people class is growing in Rio Bravo. We are so grateful for the young man who was saved last Sunday.

- Diana, the Pastor's wife who has cancer received good news at a recent check-up.

**BUT GOD**  
changes everything

Handout: 04/13/25

Study Date: 04/20/25

## Jesus Was Dead, BUT GOD Resurrects

The only reason the Jews are still a people in the time of Paul is because of God's saving work. God used Moses to save them from slavery in Egypt and starvation in the wilderness, Joshua to save them from the nomadic, landless life, and judges and kings to save them from foreign oppressors. Through the prophets, including prophecies of David and John the Baptist, God also promised a Savior who would sit on David's throne and bring peace and independence to Israel (Acts 13:17–25, 27).

The problem is, the Savior has come and gone, and Israel is neither independent nor at peace.

Paul is explaining to a group of Jews and God-fearing Gentiles that there is more to peace than politics. There is also peace with God through the forgiveness of sins (Acts 13:38–39). First, however, Paul must explain who this Savior is and how He can offer this salvation. He has shared how the Jewish leaders in Jerusalem betrayed and rejected the Savior, fulfilling the prophecies found in Jewish Scripture (Acts 13:26–29). Now he is revealing an unexpected turn of events: God saved the Savior!

Jesus was beaten, crucified, killed, and buried. And then God raised Him from the dead. It is because God saved Jesus from what people did to Him that Jesus can save those same people who rejected God. This message, not political prosperity and independence, is the heart of the covenant God made with Abraham (Genesis 12:3).

Resource: [bibleref.com](http://bibleref.com)

## KEY VERSE

Acts 13:30 (NKJV)

*“But God raised Him from the dead.”*

Read Acts 13:26-35 Every Day

## WEEKLY READINGS

### Monday: Acts 13:30

#### Introduction

1. Acts 13:30 absolutely refers to the most “central act” in our faith! How would YOU interpret the significance of this verse to others?
2. What do we learn about Paul’s mission in paragraph 3 on pg. 1? What task did he need to address with the “Jews and God-fearing Gentiles”?

### Tuesday: Acts 13:26; Lk. 2:10-11; Acts 13:28; Jn. 1:11; Is. 53:5-6

#### The Tragedy Of Our Sin

3. According to Acts 13:28 and John 1:11, what did Jesus suffer from the hands of not only His persecutors but His own people as well?
4. Isaiah 53:5 paints a vivid picture of what our Savior suffered for us! What does verse 6 tell us about ourselves? What *penalty* do we truly deserve?

### Wednesday: Acts 13:29; Mat. 27:62-66; Acts 13:30; Mat. 28:2-6

#### The Turn Of Our Story

5. What transpired between the Pharisees and Pilate after Jesus’ death? What did they call Jesus in Matthew 27:64? What prophesy did they deny?
6. What glorious prophecy is fulfilled in the words of Matthew 28:2-6? What is revealed after the “*great earthquake*”?

### Thursday: Acts 13:31; Acts 1:3; I Corinthians 15:3-7

#### The Triumph Of Our Savior

7. According to Acts 13:31 Jesus “*was seen for many days*” by *who*? Who were witnesses to His resurrection according to this verse?
8. How many days was Jesus present with His people after His resurrection? What did he spend much of His time doing according to Acts 1:3?
9. I Corinthians 15:3-4 goes on to confirm the fulfillment of the “Scriptures.” According to verse 6, how many witnesses saw Jesus in this one instance?

### Friday: Acts 13:32-33a; Acts 13:38-39; John 11:25

#### Do You Believe In The Resurrection Of Jesus?

10. Acts 13:32 brings us “*glad tidings*.” What “*promise made to the fathers*” did God fulfill according to Acts 13:33a?
11. Acts 13:38 refers to Jesus preaching that through Him all of our sins are forgiven. Why couldn’t we be justified by the law of Moses (verse 39)?
12. John 11:25 holds perhaps the greatest promise we are given as believers! How does Jesus define Himself here? What does our belief grant us?