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Liturgical Date: Year C, Easter 2, Sunday, 27th April 2025

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Focus Reading: ACTS 5:27-32

Message 5 minutes 0 seconds "The Unstoppable Kingdom of God"

Discussion Starters

- 1. What are the obstacles that keep you from obeying God and His words?
- 2. What can you do when you are discouraged about your own spiritual growth or the growth of your church?
- 3. What can you do to be bold in sharing Jesus's love in word and deed to others?
- 4. What does your faith group do when it feels discouraged.

Readings for this day

John 20:19-31 In the presence of the risen Christ, Thomas is called to believe. Jesus' final words to Thomas are less rebuke of him than blessing of us and all those who "don't see and yet believe" (v29).

Psalm 118:14-29 Upon realising all that God has done to renew, redeem, save, the Psalmist can only profess faith and give thanks: "This is the day the Lord acted; we will rejoice and celebrate in it!" (v24)

Revelations 1:4-19 Everything John wants to say to these 7 churches stems from his vision of God's grace, mercy, and majesty made manifest in and through Jesus Christ, the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end.

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All Age Message: Glenda Downie "Being the Light"

Length 3 minutes 5 seconds

Precis of AAM

Jesus wants us to shine like a light when we are around friends. To be like a light, we need to lock into power like a light needs to be connected to the power. Our power comes from Jesus being in our lives so we can be lights in this world. To get that power we need to be listening, praying, reading the Bible and hearing what he has to teach us.

Uniting in Worship (Blue Book). Psalm 118:14-29 - pages 334 -336.

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I am 41 years old and from South Korea, husband, and father of 2 daughters, a Uniting Church minister at Forestville Uniting Church in the NSW/Act Synod. As a Christian follower, I am trying to live how Jesus wants people to live in this present society as one of Korean-Australian ethnicity.