Guide for the Beginning of Acts

Read chapters 1 through 6 of the Acts of the Apostles. As you go along, fill in the blanks on this handout.

Chapter 1

After his Resurrection, Jesus instructed the Apostles for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ days. At the Ascension, Jesus promised the Apostles that they would be his \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the end of the world. At Peter’s request, the disciples chose \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by lot to replace Judas.

Chapter 2

The main message of Peter’s Pentecost sermon was \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

On Pentecost \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ people were baptized. These first Christians had all things in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and celebrated the Eucharist in their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Chapter 3

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ cured a crippled beggar at the Temple. There Peter called on the Israelites to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Chapter 4

When the Jewish leaders asked Peter and John by what power they cured the beggar, Peter replied, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ . The Christians \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ when Peter and John returned to them. The community was of one \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_and\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. No one was needy because \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Chapter 5

The footnote for 5:1–11 states that the sin of Ananias and Sapphira was\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The Apostles cured so many people that some sick were placed so that Peter’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ would fall on them. Cast into prison, the Apostles were freed by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. When the high priest scolded the Apostles for teaching in Jesus’ name against orders, they replied, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Gamaliel, a Pharisee, stopped the leaders from putting the Apostles to death by saying that their activity was of human origin; it would \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. They would not be able to destroy it if it was from \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. So the leaders had the Apostles not killed but \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Chapter 6

When the Hellenists complained that their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_were neglected in the distribution of goods, the Apostles had the community choose seven men to be in charge. These seven men became deacons when the Apostles prayed and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. The deacon Stephen, who was filled with faith and the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, was accused of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and brought before the Sanhedrin.