

Four Portraits, One *Savior*



That you may
have *life*

Still Asking, Still Trusting

John 14:11-15

1. Jesus makes a **shocking** promise in v12. The “**pivot**” of the church is an early evidence that, with Jesus, **nothing is impossible**.

Jesus shares His vision for the future in v 12:

*V11 “Believe me that I am in the Father ... otherwise, believe because of the works themselves. ¹²”Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes in Me, **the works that I do, he will do also**; and **greater works** than these he will do; because I go to the Father...¹⁴ ... **I will do it***

- A. “Truly, truly” – only in John. 25x.
- B. Jesus’ vision? “we can do it!”
- C. 12 hours later.
 - Hiding in fear.
 - The pivot?



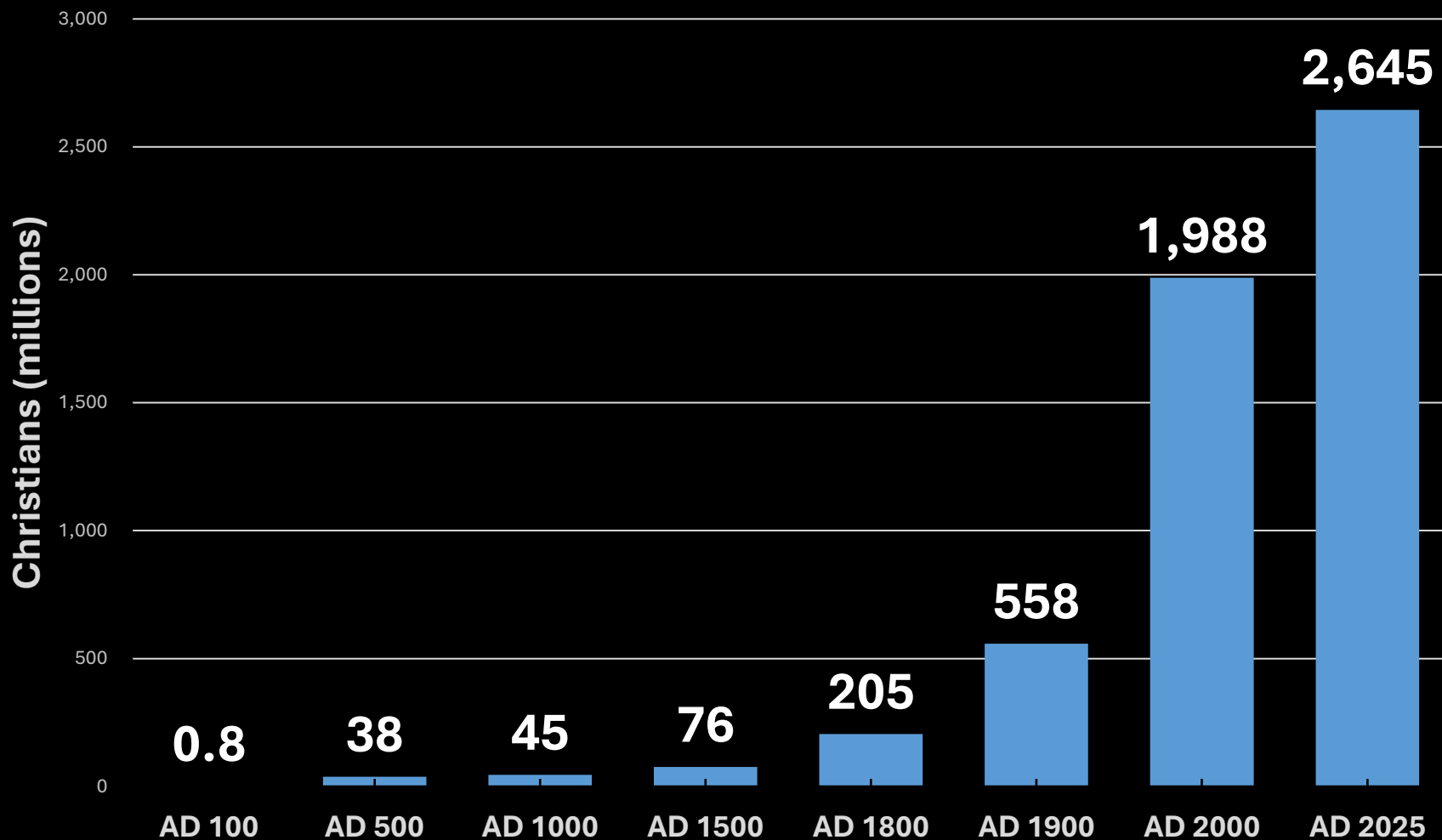
*Is it possible that it is not so much about doing more but doing with? V 14 – “**I will do it.**”*



Christians Worldwide Through the Centuries

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Still Asking, Still Trusting for over 2000 years.



2. *How is Jesus' promise of "greater works" fulfilled?
Two things must occur, the second, dependent upon
the first.*

- *Jn. 14:13-14 "Whatever **you ask in My name**, that **will I do**, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. ¹⁴ "If **you ask** Me anything in My name, **I will do it**. (NAU)*

*A. **Believers must ask.***

- *"If you ask" (v14). Matt 7:7-8*
- *"in my name." 1 John 5:14*

*B. **I will do it.** V14.*

- *So that.*



Out of the water, out of their lane.
Our part is to ask *in His name*. His part is to *answer*.



3. *Greater works is a **team effort**, which can only have fulfillment when asking is founded on **love of Christ**, and trust is built on that love.*
- *Jn. 14:12-15 "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who **believes** in Me, the works that I do, he will do also; and greater works than these he will do; because I go to the Father.¹³ "Whatever you ask **in My name**, that will I do, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son.¹⁴ "If you ask Me anything **in My name**, I will do it.¹⁵ "If you **love Me**, you will keep My **commandments**.*
 - ***Jesus is addressing the whole group – not just one person!***



When the Father is glorified by the Son's response to the prayers of believers, we have fun!



Calls to Action.

A. ASK IT –

- pick one bold prayer for Bethany this week and pray it every single day.*
- Pick one bold prayer for yourself, your household, or work/school and pray it every single day.*

B. Own it –

- Say “yes” to one thing you will do to serve Christ this week.*
- Leaders (staff, deacons, etc) – is the Holy Spirit leading us **into** change to **better** build our team?*

C. Share it –

- Tell a fellow believer what happened through your prayers.*

