

# **The Ascension of Jesus.**

## **Acts 1:1; to 1:8;**



**Acts. 1:1-8;  
Mark. 16:15-20;  
Luke. 24:50-53;**



# Acts chapters 1:1; to 1:8;



**Acts chapters 1:1; to 1:8;**

**The establishment of the church  
in JERUSALEM.**

**The church begins with  
POWER**

**Acts chapters 1 and 2;**

**Overview of chapter 1  
Waiting for the PROMISE.**

# **SIMPLE OUTLINE OF CHAPTER ONE**

**1:1-11; The resurrection of Jesus and his dealing with the disciples.**

**1:12-26; The waiting of the apostles and the choosing of Mathias.**

## **Overview of chapter 1**

**1:1-2; Introduction.**

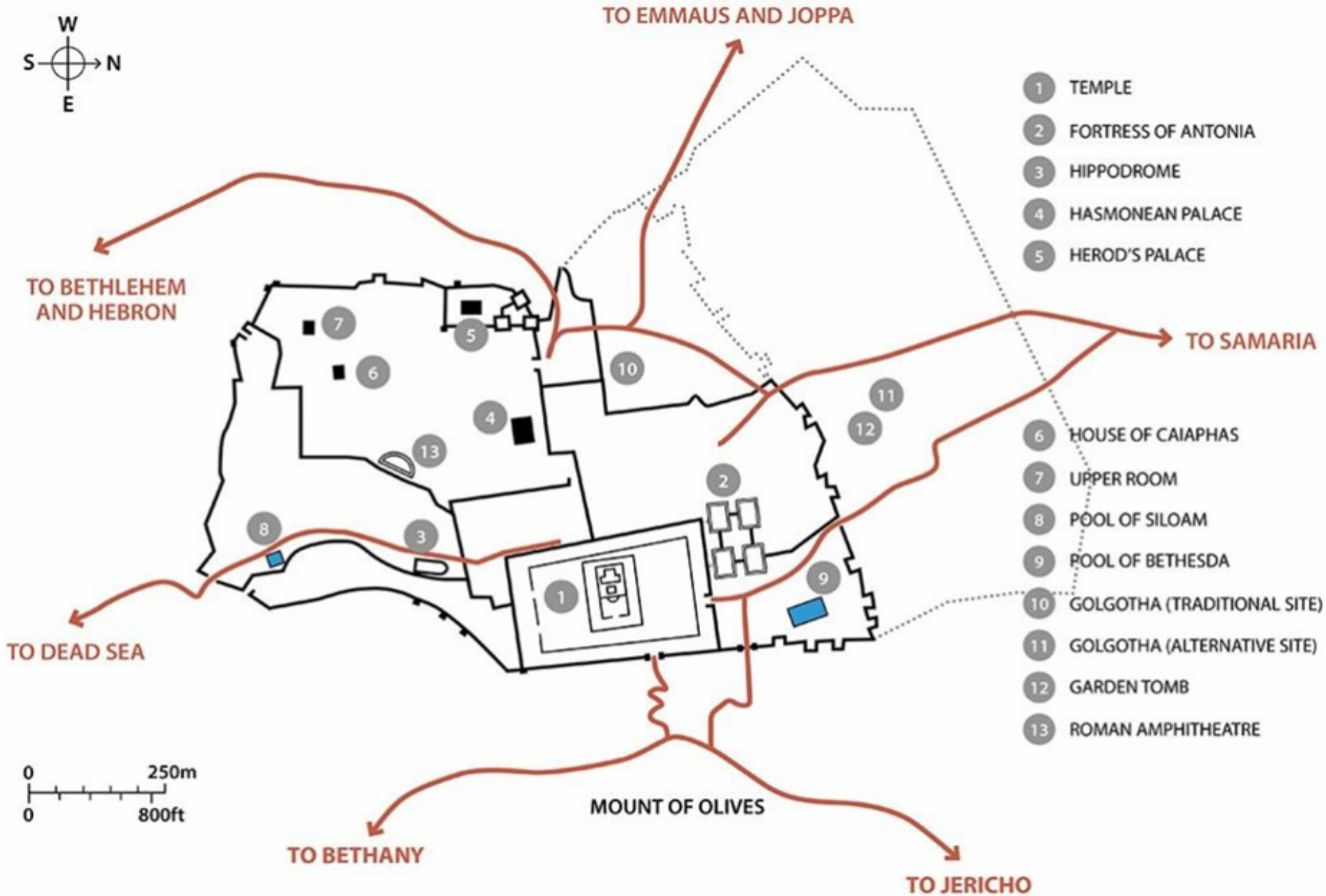
**1:3-8; The promise given.**

**1: 9-11; Ascension of the Christ.**

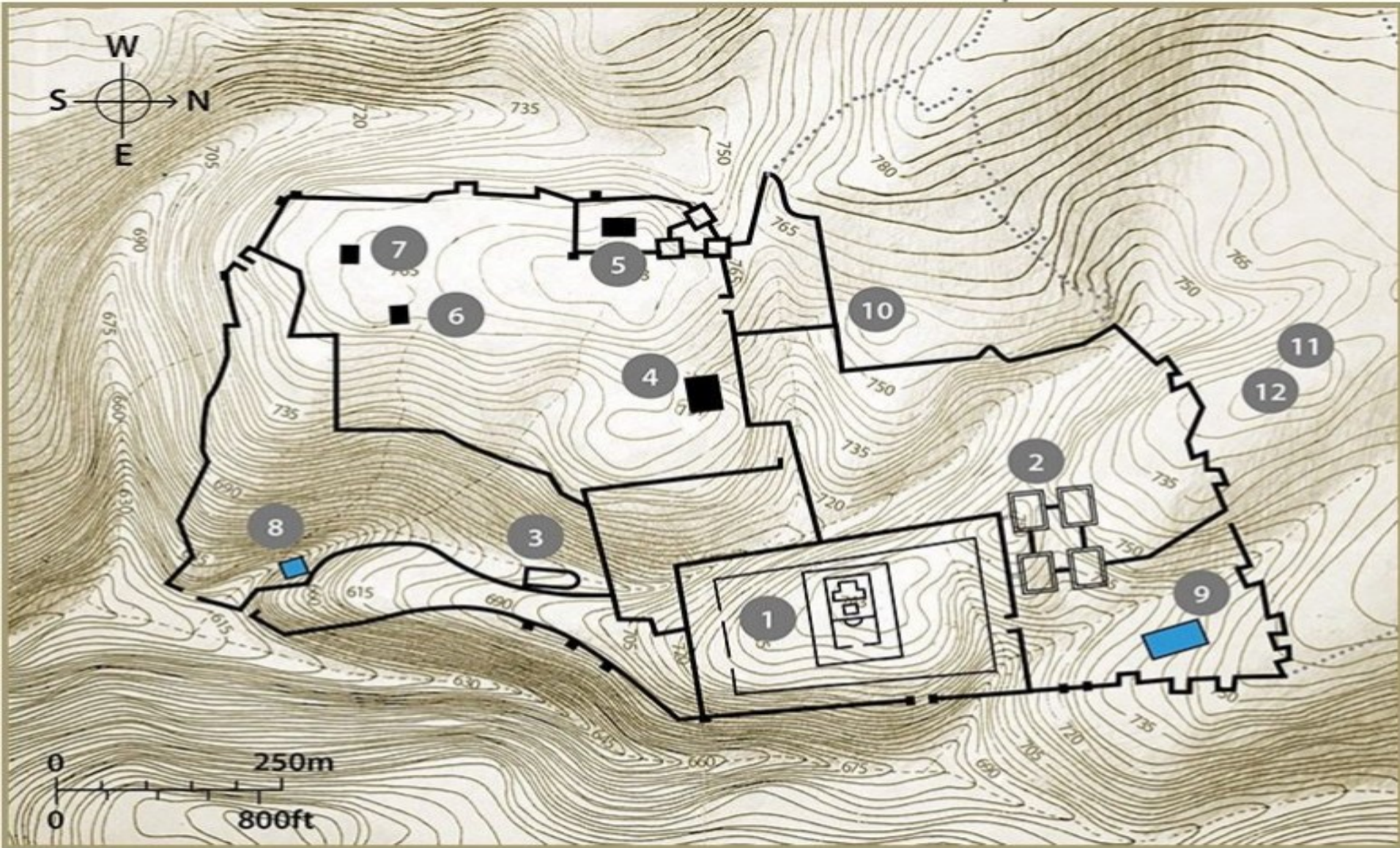
**1:12-14; Apostles in Jerusalem.**

**1:15-26; Appointment of Matthias.**

# Places Jesus and Apostles would be familiar with.









# **Chapter 1: GETTING READY FOR THE KINGDOM TO COME.**

**Jesus tells the eleven apostles to wait in Jerusalem for the supernatural power He had promised that would usher in the promised Kingdom. (Mark 9:1;)**

**The Spirit will remind them of everything He had taught them, guide them into all truth and serve as an Additional Witness to their words by enabling them to perform Wonders and signs to confirm the word.**



**THE PROMISED SPIRIT WITH POWER.**



# THE PROMISED SPIRIT WITH POWER.

The “**Power from on High,**” this Powerful Witness and Guide, was **the Holy Spirit.** (John 14-16; Mark 16:17-20; Acts 5:32; Hebrews 2:1-4;)

Jesus had **promised** that with **the coming of this Power the Kingdom** would come in the **lifetime of the apostles.** (Mark 9:1;)

Before the New Testament had been completed **the miracles were necessary to confirm the spoken word.** (Hebrews 2:1-4;)

**GETTING READY.**



**Large upper room in the old city of Jerusalem.**

## GETTING READY.

On one of the ten days between the Ascension and the outpouring or baptism of the Holy Spirit, the Promised Power, **the Apostles in a group of 120 disciples met** to appoint an Apostle to take the place of Judas who had committed suicide.

It was important **to begin** the gospel's work among the Jews with no fewer and no more than **twelve Apostles of Christ.**

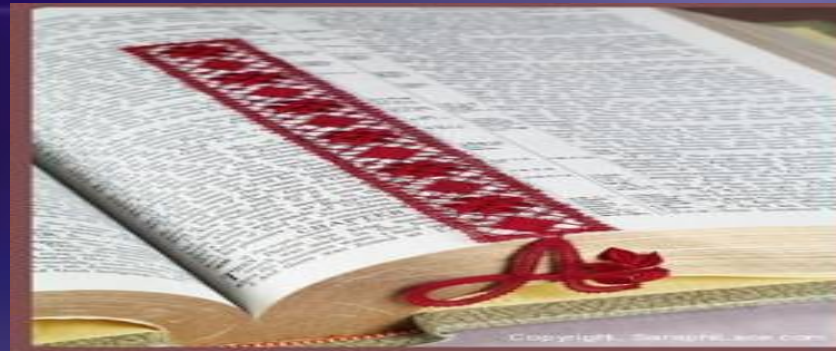


# 1. Written by Luke?



He wrote the

gospel of Luke.  
He was a doctor. **Colossians 4:14;**



**Luke 4:38-39;**



**Luke 5:12;**



**Luke 6:6;**



# Acts - Written by Doctor Luke

He was Paul's friend.

He was Paul's companion.

Philemon 24; 2 Timothy 4:9-12;

**'We' & 'Us'** refer to Paul  
and Luke. Acts 16:10;



**Acts chapter 1:1;** “The former treatise have I made,  
O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,”

v1 The OPENING WORDS of the chapter tell us  
that this book does not stand alone.

**'THE FORMER TREATISE'** Or, as you may have it  
in your Bible, **'IN THE FIRST BOOK'**

This shows the connection of the Book of Acts with  
something, which has already been written by this writer.

We live in an age of sequels. Everyone likes to hear  
the rest of the story. We are not really satisfied with  
"they lived happily ever after." We want more.

**The Book of Acts is a sequel.** It follows  
on the heels of the Gospel According to Luke.  
**It is the rest of the story.**

**Acts chapter 1:1**; “The former treatise have I made,  
O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,”

Even if you did not know to which book he refers,  
Luke **GIVES US A VERY CLEAR HINT!** He says  
“it is **a TREATISE** of **all that Jesus began to do and,  
to teach** until the day in which he was taken up.”

So, he is talking about an account of the **LIFE AND MINISTRY  
of JESUS**. Now, **THAT WORD TREATISE-** used in the A.V.  
**BUT ABANDONED in modern versions** as probably  
being a bit too **FORMAL** for modern readers –  
tells us exactly the sort of book we should be looking for.

**A TREATISE, is A PIECE OF WRITING - A LITERARY  
WORK - DEALING WITH A PARTICULAR SUBJECT  
IN A SYSTEMATIC AND ORDERLY WAY.**

**Acts chapter 1:1;** “The former treatise have I made,

O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,”

We all know, of course, that in the N.T. there are **FOUR** accounts of the Life of Jesus. Every Bible School child knows that they are **MATT. MARK. LUKE AND JOHN.**

**Which of the FOUR** tells us that it is **a SYSTEMATIC account** of the Lord's life? A BRIEF EXAMINATION reveals that it is clearly the **Gospel according to LUKE.**

After all, this is how that Gospel begins.

In Luke 1:3; "It seemed good to me also, having followed all things closely for some time past, **TO WRITE AN ORDERLY ACCOUNT FOR YOU,** Most Excellent Theophilus, that you may know the truth concerning the things of which you have been informed.”

So, when we look at **the Gospel according to LUKE,** and compare its introduction with that of the book of Acts. We are not left in any doubt whatsoever. The similarities are obvious.





**“Theophilus” “Theo” - God and “philus” means  
“one who loves God.” or “friend of God”.**



# THEOPHILUS LUKE'S SPONSOR or PATRON.

Written to Theophilus?

**'Most excellent.'** Luke 1:3;



Most excellent Felix  
**Acts 24:3;**



Most excellent Festus  
**Acts 26:25;**

We don't really know who he was.

**Acts chapter 1:1;** “The former treatise have I made,

O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,”

In BOTH books, **the writer adopts a GENTILE - Greek – style of introduction.** In other words,

he uses the CLASSICAL style of introduction,

it is quite different from that of Matthew. Mark or John.

Of course, this is not surprising, **since Luke was a Gentile – the ONLY non-Jewish WRITER in the NT.**

Notice that in both books, he mentions someone who he addresses as **‘THEOPHILUS.’**

Luke in his **Gospel Account** speaks of the **"most excellent Theophilus."**

This is an honorific title indicating that Theophilus held some high political rank.

Luke does not use the title in Acts.

Perhaps it was no longer needed.

Perhaps Luke was writing to a believer in Christ.

# **THEOPHILUS LUKE'S SPONSOR or PATRON.**

**It was the custom in the early church to drop titles of those who came into the church.**

**The implication seems to be that at some time between the writing of the Gospel according to Luke and the writing of Acts, Theophilus became a Christian.**

**Theophilus became a God-lover.** One of the evidences that the Bible is the Word of God is that the Bible produces Christians. It changes lives. It is designed to be read, not merely as an academic exercise, but to make you different.

## **Acts chapter 1:1;**

**Did you ever stop to think that Luke wrote two great books of the New Testament in order to be read**

**Initially by a single man? God is like that.**

**He cares about individuals. You are more than just a number in a file. God cares about YOU.**

**v1 Luke actually refers to his account  
AS A TREATISE.**

**Luke refers to his account of the gospel  
as a record of what Jesus  
DID and TAUGHT.**

# Why was Acts Written?

Acts is a continuation  
Of Luke's account of the  
**works**  
and **words**

**All Christians are  
The Called Out by Christ.**

Colossians 1:24;

The works of the Called Out  
could

be described as:-

**The works of Christ.**

The Book of Acts lets us see the fulfillment  
of Jesus' coming in the first place.

**Jesus came to seek and save.** Luke 19:10;

*"You will receive power when the Holy  
Spirit has come upon you; and you  
shall be My witnesses ... to the  
remotest part of the earth."*

*(Jesus in Acts 1:8)*

*The Book of  
Acts*





# **Acts is an account of Jesus saving Power and the establishment of His kingdom the Church.**

**In the Book of Acts we see people being saved and people choosing to remain in their sins. Jesus saved 3000 souls from their sins. Acts 2:41;**

**There are estimates of over 1 million souls present in Jerusalem that day. Later there were Another 5000 souls saved by Jesus. Acts 4:1-4;**

**As they were saved God added them to the assembly, the family, the kingdom of God.**

**Acts is an account of Jesus saving Power.**

**Luke mentions Jesus' actions first  
then Jesus' words. Acts 1:1;**



**Jesus practiced what He preached. 2 Peter 2:21-22;**

**Luke is setting the stage for the rest  
of the Book of Acts. Acts 1:1;**

# Acts is an account of Jesus saving Power.

Just who was Jesus?

Jesus Christ was **God in the flesh.**

Jesus Christ was there  
**in the beginning.** Genesis 1:26;

He was **the WORD** and  
**the WORD** was God. John 1:1-4;



**The WORD became flesh and made  
His dwelling among us.** John 1:14;

**This same Jesus is  
JESUS the CHRIST OUR LORD!**

**74 times – Jesus.**

**24 times – the Christ.**

**102 times - Lord.**

**We're all going to meet this same Lord,  
Jesus Christ when we die. Hebrews 9:27;**



**Not IF but WHEN  
Jesus is coming back.  
The Day has been set.**



**Acts 1:11;**



**Acts 17:29-31;**

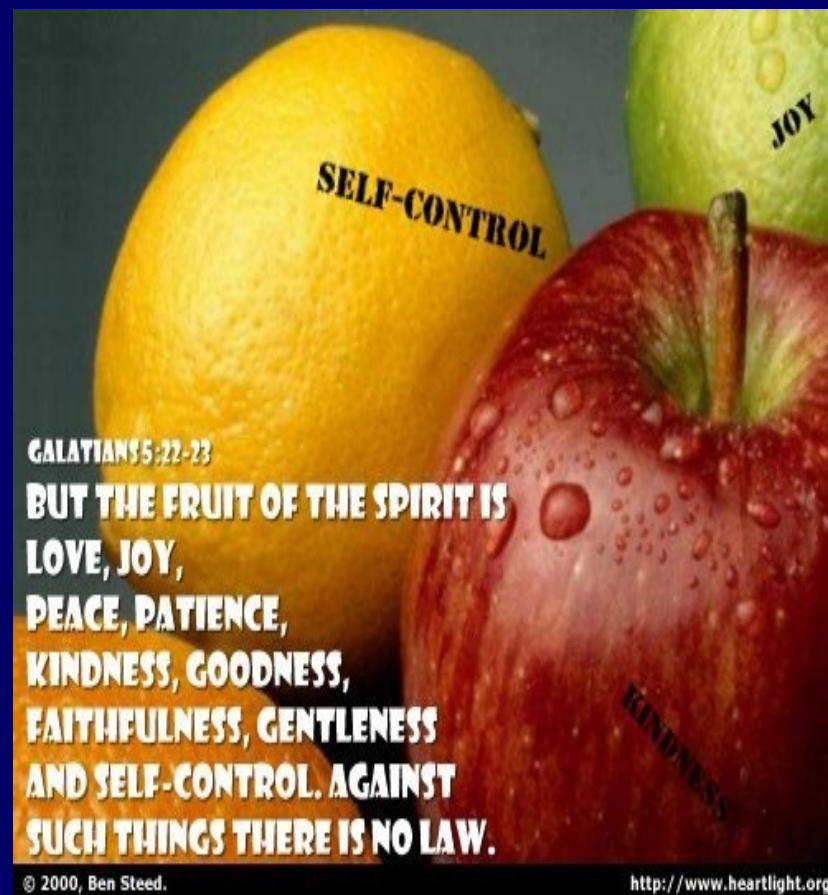


# Who is your lord?

## Who has control over your life?



**The sinful habits?**  
**Galatians 5:16-21;**



**The Spirit of Christ?**  
**Galatians 5:22-26;**

Acts is Volume 2 of a two-volume work. **It is still about Jesus. He is still active.** Are there two volumes in your life? Is Jesus still at work?

LUKE	ACTS
Jesus Healed	His Apostles will Heal
Jesus Preached	His Apostles will Preach
Jesus Evangelised	His Apostles will Evangelise

Or do you view your salvation only in the past tense? **If your salvation is only in the past, then it is not in the present** - it does not exist at all.

**Acts 1:2;** “after giving instruction through the Holy Spirit to the Apostles whom He had chosen, He was taken up to Heaven.”

**1:2; we learn that Luke’s account ends with two significant events.**

**Christ giving the great commandment or commission to his Apostles.**

**His ascension back into heaven.**

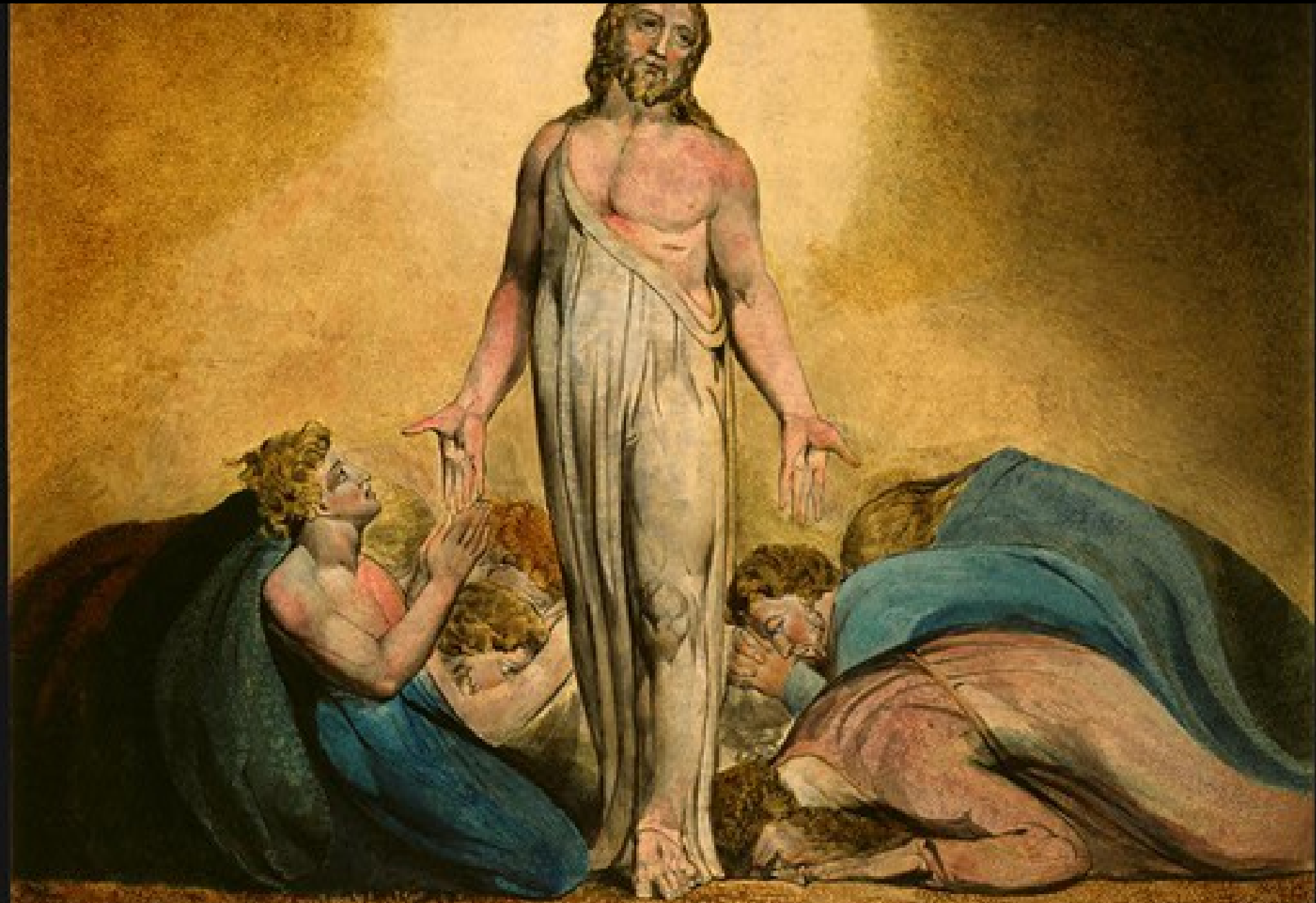
**Acts 1:2;** “after giving instruction through the Holy Spirit to the Apostles whom He had chosen, He was taken up to Heaven.”

**“Until the day in which he was taken up,**  
after that he through the Holy Ghost had  
given commandments unto the apostles  
whom he had chosen:”

**“taken up”** occurs four times in this chapter alone,  
refers to the ascension. Christ did His works until  
He ascended. After that He continued doing them  
through the apostles and  
by Holy Spirit they had received.

**The Holy Spirit is now the agent and executive  
of God on earth to carry on the work  
that Jesus "began both to do and teach."**

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After **His resurrection** Jesus had **appeared** among the Apostles and others on many occasions over a forty-day period, performing further miracles and teaching the eleven Apostles and disciples more about the coming spiritual kingdom.

Both Luke and John  
give detailed accounts of this period.

Acts 1:3-4;

“After his suffering, he showed himself to these men and gave many **convincing proofs** that **he was alive**. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God.”

**Acts 1:3**; “After he had suffered, he showed himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them through a period of forty days and telling them about the kingdom of God.”

**Jesus Appearances. John 20:30, 31; 21:25;**

He appeared to **Mary Magdalene**.

(Mark 16:9-11; John 20:11-18).

He appeared to **the woman** running to tell the disciples about the empty tomb. (Matt 28:8-10;)

He appeared to the **two Emmaus disciples** sometime early in the evening.

(Mark 16:12; Luke 24:13-42;)

He appeared to **the disciples** with Thomas absent.

(Mark 16:14; Luke 24:36-43; John 20:19-25;)

**Acts 1:3;** “After he had suffered, he showed himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them through a period of forty days and telling them about the kingdom of God.”

One week later He appeared to **the disciples**  
who had gone fishing. (John 20;)  
He appeared to **500 believers.** (1 Cor 15;)

He appeared to **the apostles.**  
(Matt 28:16-20; Mark 16:15-18;)

He appeared to **James,**  
the Lord's half-brother.  
(1 Cor 15:7;)



**Acts 1:3;** “After he had suffered, he showed himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them through a period of forty days and telling them about the kingdom of God.”

**He appeared to **the Apostles** His ascension.  
(Mark 16:19-20; Luke 24:44-53; Acts 1:3-12;)**

**Let's keep in mind that after Jesus' ascension unto  
heaven, **He had appeared at least two other times:****

**He appeared to Stephen at his death.  
(Acts 7:55-56;)**

**He appeared to Paul  
on the road to Damascus.  
(Acts 9:3;)**

**Acts 1:3;** “After he had suffered, he showed himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them through a period of forty days and telling them about the kingdom of God.”

Luke told in his Gospel Account how Jesus had been born and had taught and had died on a cross. But that is not all. Luke also taught of the resurrection. He set forth the fact that **we can KNOW that a dead man got up and walked.**

The reason that we can know this is because Jesus presented Himself alive.

He appeared to people who were not expecting Him to appear.

**He appeared to people who were not looking for a resurrection.** That is convincing.

And Jesus gave a number of such convincing proofs.

He allowed **Thomas** to conduct a physical exam. He ate in the presence of the disciples, showing that **He was no mere figment of their imagination.** (**Figments** do not eat fish burgers.)



# **Acts chapter 1:1-8;**

**The Presence of Jesus. (1:1-2;)**

**The Proofs of Jesus. (1:3;)**

**The Promise of Jesus  
given to the APOSTLES. (1:4-8;)**

**Acts 1:3;** “After he had suffered, he showed himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them through a period of forty days and telling them about the kingdom of God.”

**Jesus presented Himself as alive. He is alive today. He is living. We worship the LIVING God. This is the central truth of Christianity.**

If our God is a corpse in a Jerusalem graveyard, then our religion is worthless. If you find the body of Jesus, then Christianity comes tumbling to the ground. On the other hand, **if you have met the risen Christ**, then your life has been transformed.

When Jesus was risen from the dead, He did not spend a lot of time teaching. **He spent His time proving to people that He was really alive.**



**Acts 1:3;** “After he had suffered, he showed himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them through a period of forty days and telling them about the kingdom of God.”

**JESUS SPENT 40 DAYS WITH HIS CHOSEN APOSTLES,  
PRESENTING HIMSELF ALIVE AND  
PROVING IT BY MANY INFALLIBLE PROOFS -**

**IT WAS NOT A PUBLIC MINISTRY.**

**He did not show himself to everyone.**

**SOME versions do not use the word INFALLIBLE,  
and simply say MANY proofs.**

**BUT the GREEK text - the original language –  
uses a word, which tells us that were  
MANY CONVINCING AND RELIABLE PROOFS.**

**That which could not deceive  
That which could not be mistaken.**

**Acts chapter 1:4-5; Luke 24:36-43;  
Jesus appeared to His disciples.**





**Acts 1:3;** “After he had suffered, he showed himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them through a period of forty days and telling them about the kingdom of God.”

**SCHONFIELD the Jewish translator**, actually says,  
**MANY CONCLUSIVE PROOFS.** And, notice! Not merely  
PROOFS but **RELIABLE AND CONVINCING** proofs.  
Not merely **RELIABLE AND CONVINCING PROOFS...**  
but **MANY** conclusive proofs **and APPEARANCES.**

**How were they infallible?**

The Apostles saw Jesus various times and places  
at which there could be no deception.

The apostles did not expect the resurrection.  
John 20:25; Luke 24:1-4, 19-24;



**They were intimately familiar with Jesus  
after being with Him for three years.**

**He appeared to all eleven of the apostles.**

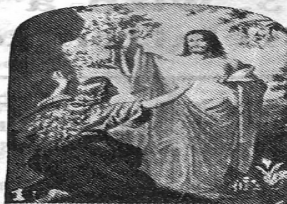
**Jesus appeared to them for forty days  
after His resurrection.**

# THE POST-RESURRECTION APPEARANCES OF JESUS

## APPEARANCES OF JESUS DURING THE FORTY DAYS BETWEEN HIS RESURRECTION AND ASCENSION

TIME	SEEN BY	PLACE
EASTER DAY	1. Mary Magdalene, Mk. 16.9.	Jerusalem
	2. Other women, Mt. 28.9.	"
	3. Peter, 1 Co. 15.5.	" (?)
	4. Two disciples, Lu. 24.15-31.	At Emmaus
	5. Ten apostles, Thomas absent, Jn. 20.19,24.	Jerusalem
SUNDAY following Easter	6. Eleven apostles, Thomas present, Jn. 20.26-28.	Jerusalem
TIME UNKNOWN	7. Seven disciples fishing, Jn. 21.1-24.	Sea of Galilee
	7-a. Jesus' charge to Peter, Jn. 21.15-17.	"
	8. Eleven apostles, Mt. 28.16,17. (No picture shown.)	Mount In Galilee
	9. Five hundred brethren, 1 Co. 15.6. (No picture shown.)	Place unknown
	10. James, 1 Co. 15.7.	"
ASCENSION DAY	11. Eleven apostles, Ac. 1.2-9.	Bethany
TIME UNKNOWN	LATER APPEARANCE	
	12. Saul (Paul), Ac. 9.1-5; 1 Co. 15.8.	

The Gospel records of these appearances are somewhat obscure. Scholars differ in their opinions as to their exact number and order.



1  
EASTER MORNING  
Mk. 16.9



2  
JESUS APPEARS TO THE WOMEN. Mt. 28.9



3  
JESUS APPEARS TO PETER  
1 Co. 15.5



4  
SUPPER AT EMMAUS. Lu. 24.29-31



5  
JESUS APPEARS TO THE TEN. Jn. 20.19,24



6  
INCREDULITY OF THOMAS  
Jn. 20.26-28



7  
MIRACULOUS DRAFT OF FISHES. Jn. 21.5,6



7-A  
JESUS' CHARGE TO PETER  
Jn. 21.15-17



8  
JESUS APPEARS TO JAMES. 1 Co. 15.7



11  
ASCENSION OF JESUS. Lu. 24.50,51



12  
CONVERSION OF PAUL. Ac. 9.4-6

**The post-resurrection forty days.**

**The twelve Apostles** were to be the **primary witnesses** of everything Jesus had done in His entire ministry, all of them having **been with Him** through that whole time.

They had **heard** all His **teachings**, **witnessed** His **miracles**, the **greatest** of which was **His resurrection from the dead**.

**They are the final authorities on Jesus.**

In many of their letters, written in their lifetimes, they refer to the most important facts recounted in the gospels. 1 Cor 15:3-8;



**THE RESURRECTION** is,  
**the SOLID FOUNDATION** OF  
the APOSTLES LIFE and TEACHING.

JESUS AND HIS  
KINGDOM His BODY of BELIEVERS

THE KINGDOM OF GOD  
are the “called out ones”  
THE VISIBLE BODY of CHRIST ON EARTH.



**Acts 1:4;** “And once when he was eating with them he charged them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father.  
"Of this," he said, "you have heard from me.”

**Luke 12:49-50; Jesus was constrained as a man; for example, he could only be in one place at a time.**

**Yet, in Acts, Jesus is free of that restraint through the power of the Holy Spirit.  
The Holy Spirit is omnipresent.**

**Jesus had spoken of the apostles receiving this baptism of the Holy Spirit with power on several occasions.**

# THE BAPTISM WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT PROMISED.



“Gathering **them** together, He commanded **them** not to leave Jerusalem, but to wait for what the Father had promised, “Which,” He said, “**you heard of from Me;** for John baptized with water, but **you** will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.” (Acts 1:4-5)

**Acts 1:5;** “for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

Luke's Gospel account closed with the command to remain in Jerusalem **"until you are clothed with power from on high."** (Luke 24:49;) This command is repeated here, but with more information.

**The disciples are to wait for a baptism.**

This will not be the same kind of baptism that had been utilized by John the Baptist.

**This will be a baptism with the Holy Spirit.**

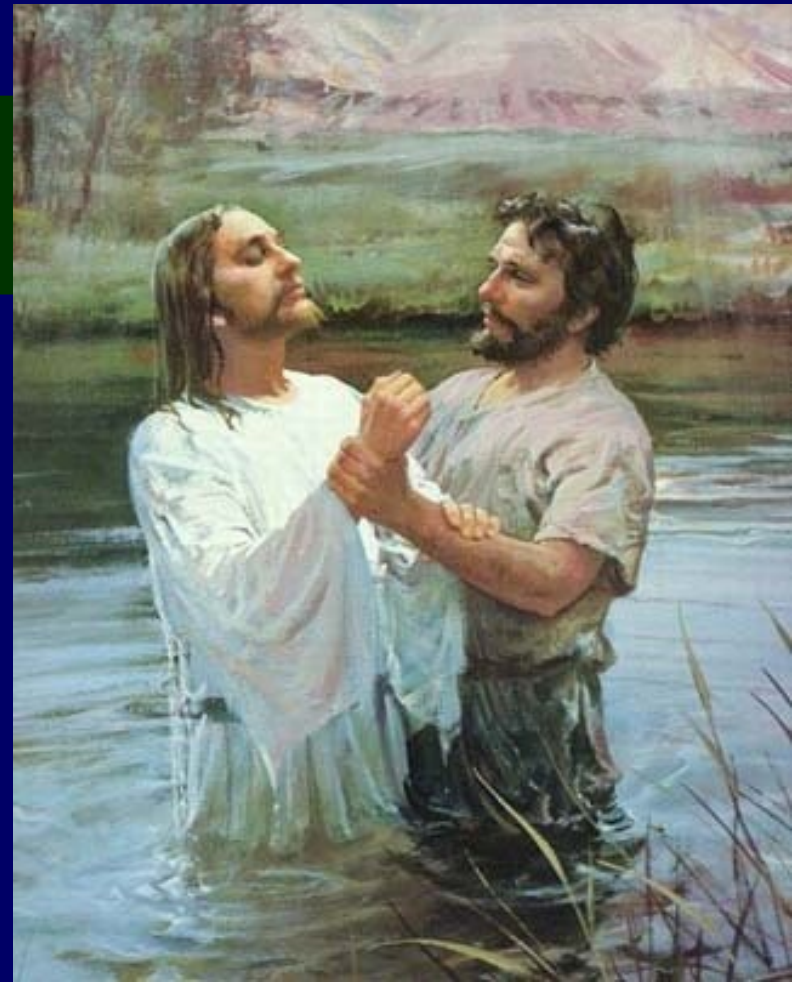
John's baptism was with a view to the coming king Jesus. John's baptism for forgiveness of sins was **a baptism of expectation of the coming sacrifice of Jesus** on the cross.

**Acts 1:5;** “for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

for John baptized with water,  
**but you** will be baptized with  
the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

Who is going to be  
Baptized with the Holy Spirit?

**The Apostles, The 11 plus  
Matthias** the one who is  
chosen to replace Judas.



**Acts 1:5;** “for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

**John's BAPTISM A COMMANDMENT of God.**

**Luke 7:29-30;**

**John's BAPTISM.**

**Part of PREPERATION of the COMING of the Christ.**

**John 1:33; Luke 3:3-6;**

**John's BAPTISM.**

**ADMINISTERED by JOHN.**

**Mark 1:5;**

**John's BAPTISM.**

**THOSE who RECEIVE IT  
were REPENTANT JEWS.**

**Mark 1:5;**



**Acts 1:5;** “for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

**John's BAPTISM.**

**Baptism in WATER. John 1:26;**

**An IMMERSION.**

**Mark 1:10; John 3:23;**

**John's baptism was REPLACED by  
Baptism in water for forgiveness of sins and  
to receive the indwelling Holy Spirit in  
THE NAME OF THE FATHER SON  
AND HOLY SPIRIT.**

**Acts 19:1-5; Matt 28:18-19; Acts 2:38;**

**But these apostles would receive  
the baptism of the Spirit with Power.**

**Acts 1:5;** “for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

Notice that there was nothing that they could do to bring about this baptism. **It was not something they would bring upon themselves. It would be done TO them.** Their part would be completely passive. **All they could do is to WAIT.**

Specifically, they are to wait at Jerusalem. The disciples are from Galilee and it will be their natural tendency to return home.

**They are to remain in Jerusalem for a time.**

**“BUT WAIT for THE PROMISE which YOU HEARD FROM ME.”**

**Acts 1:5;** “for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

**We need to learn patience! Eccles 3:1-8;**

**Jesus says stay in Jerusalem,  
then go to the rest of the world. Acts 1:8;**



**People will read our life!  
Before they read the word of God! 1 Pet 1:12;**

# THE BAPTISM WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT PROMISED to the APOSTLES.



**Matt 26:20-21; “one of **you** will betray me!”**  
**John 13:1-4, 21; “one of **you** will betray me!”**

**Promise of Holy Spirit to the APOSTLES.**

**John 13:6,23,25,36; John 14:5,8,22,26;**

# **THE BAPTISM WITH THE HOLY SPIRIT PROMISED to the APOSTLES.**

**ALL these passages** show that the context is the betrayal of Jesus and **those present** in all these passages are the **APOSTLES**.

**THEREFORE** THE CONCLUSION  
OUGHT TO BE THAT **THE PROMISE  
OF BAPTISM OF THE HOLY SPIRIT  
WAS INTENDED FOR THE APOSTLES  
NOT FOR EVERYONE.**



## **Acts chapter 1:4-5;**

The **twelve Apostles** were the only disciples promised the baptism in the Holy Spirit.

Verse 2 of this chapter says Jesus gave these instructions to the Apostles.

He told the same group,  
now eleven with Judas dead,  
**but would be twelve when the day came,**  
that when they received power from above.

They were to be **His witnesses**  
in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria  
and then to the farthest reaches of the earth.  
(Luke 24:45-49; Matthew 28:18-20; Acts 1:8;)

**Acts 1:5;** “for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

**The HOLY SPIRIT Would  
teach the apostles ALL THINGS.**

He would bring to the **APOSTLES** remembrance  
**ALL** things that Jesus said to them previously.

**John 14:26;**

The **HOLY SPIRIT** would **TESTIFY** of Jesus and the  
**APOSTLES** would bear **WITNESS** of the **CHRIST**.

**John 15:26-27;**

**HE** would **GUIDE** the **APOSTLES**  
into **ALL TRUTH**. **John 16:13;**  
**My WORD** is **TRUTH** **John 17:17;**

**Acts chapter 1:5;**

**HE would TELL the APOSTLES  
Things to COME in the FUTURE.**

**John 16:13;**

**The HOLY SPIRIT would also CONVICT  
the world of SIN, RIGHTEOUSNESS  
and JUDGEMENT. John 16:7-14;**

**Acts 1:5;** “for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized  
with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”  
**“Be Clothed with power from on HIGH.”**

**Luke 24:49;**

**“BUT YOU SHALL BE Baptized  
with the HOLY SPIRIT.”**

**Acts 1:5;**

**It was promised to a small group of people.**

**Acts 1:2;**

**The APOSTLES who he had chosen.**

**It was promised to a small group of people.**

**Acts 1:3;**

**The APOSTLES**

**To whom he presented himself alive.**

**Acts 1:5;** “for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized  
with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

**It was promised to a small group of people**

**Acts 1:4;**

**The APOSTLES.**

**The APOSTLES.**

**To whom he said WAIT in Jerusalem  
UNTIL you receive.**

**Acts 1:5;**

**BUT YOU SHALL BE Baptized  
with the HOLY SPIRIT**

**Acts 1:5;** “for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized  
with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

**It was promised to a small group of people.**

**Acts 1:26 to 2:4;**

**The APOSTLES Who RECEIVED  
the HOLY SPIRIT not many days later.**

**It was promised to a small group of people.**

**Acts 2:4, 14;**

**The APOSTLES Who began  
to speak in other LANGUAGES  
as a **result of receiving this baptism****

**See 2:43; 4:43; 5:12; 2 Cor 12:12;**



**Acts 1:5;** “for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

So we see that the **Christ promised this to His apostles and they RECEIVED** that which **Jesus had promised them.**

**The coming of the Holy Spirit into the world as Jesus had promised, which is here described as a Baptism in the Holy Spirit brought with it miraculous power to those who received it.**

**Acts 1:5;** “for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now.”

**The Apostles were the only ones who received this baptism in the Holy Spirit on this Day of Pentecost.**

**Only the apostles could pass the power on to others by laying their hands on them personally.**

**This we see clearly inferred from what happened in Acts 8:14-19;  
(See Acts 6:6;)**

**Matt 3:4;**

**Two Baptisms described.**

**Matt 3:1-12;**

**Baptism of fire - eternal punishment.**

**Baptism of the Holy Spirit**

**promised and given to the Apostles in Acts 2:1-4;**

**Baptism of fire –**

**Destruction of Jerusalem**

**And eternal punishment.**

**MANY WRONGLY WANT TO RECEIVE  
THE BAPTISM OF FIRE TODAY.**

## **Acts chapter 1:5;**

**It is important to NOTICE that Jesus NOT man  
was to be the one who would ADMINISTER  
BOTH Baptisms described.**

**This means that NO MAN COULD OR WOULD  
ADMINISTER BAPTISM of the HOLY SPIRIT  
Then or now.**

## **Acts chapter 1:6;**

**“So when they met together, they asked him,  
“Lord, are you at this time going  
to restore the **kingdom** to Israel?”**

**He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times  
or dates the Father has set by his own authority.**



**“But you will **receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.**”**

**Acts chapter 1:6;**

**FOOD FOR THOUGHT QUESTION:-**

**What kind of kingdom  
do you think that the Apostles  
were thinking that  
Jesus would restore?**



# **Acts chapter 1:6; THE QUESTION?**

**This is the last question that the disciples would ever have opportunity to ask of Jesus. It is a question regarding the kingdom.**

**The theme of the kingdom runs through the Bible. It was promised by the Old Testament prophets.**

**It had been promised by John the Baptist. Jesus had come on the scene proclaiming that the kingdom of God was at hand. Now for the past 40 days He has been speaking to them of the kingdom (Verse 3).**

**The Jews were looking for the kingdom. They were looking for a day when the Romans would be thrown out and when God would again rule from Jerusalem. The disciples were apparently of the same mind.**

# Acts chapter 1:6; THE QUESTION?



**The Golden Dome is where  
Herod's Temple once stood.**



# Herod's Temple.

The photo was taken at the Holy land Experience in Orlando, Florida. The model of the city of Jerusalem as it appeared in A.D. 66 is the work of Zion's Hope Ministries. The model is open for public viewing.



## **Herod's Temple.**

The city of **Jerusalem** had grown extensively since the days of the kings of old. It was now a major metropolis with outlying suburbs.

Herod the Great had brought many **Hellenistic influences** to the city. It now boasted a circus where chariot races could be held as well as a Greek theatre.

The city was built upon two parallel ridges which were divided by a steep valley. The lower hill to the east was the site of the **original city** dating back to the **days of the Jebusites**. The **Temple** sat at the northern edge of this ridge.

## **Acts chapter 1:6; THE QUESTION?**

The disciples were apparently looking for a physical kingdom. They had been following Jesus for three years, waiting for Him to bring the kingdom.

And so, they ask: "Is it NOW, Lord?"

**Jesus does not answer their question.**

He does not hand them a time-line or a chart.

**He does give them:-**

**A Promise of Power and A Commission.**

They were still thinking of the kingdom as some physical manifestation that was going to come down from heaven in a very dramatic way.

They were looking for thunder and lightning and trumpets and the hand of God.

# Acts chapter 1:6; THE QUESTION?



**Most Jews of this time - and the Apostles were no different - had the idea that the coming kingdom announced by John the Baptizer and by Jesus was a revival of the earthly kingdom of David and Solomon in the land of Israel.**



**They believed the coming Messiah would lead an earthly army to defeat their oppressors and restore Israel's independence.**



**Acts 1:6; “Now having met together, they asked him, Lord, has the time come for you to restore the kingdom to Israel?”**

**Jesus made it clear when He was talking to Pilate about the Kingdom:-**

**My kingdom is not from this world.**

**John 18:36;**

**Rather it is spiritual based on the truth**

**John 18:37;**

**The nature of the Kingdom is spiritual.**

**Luke 17:21;**



Acts 1:6; “Now having met together, they asked him, Lord, has the time come for you to restore the kingdom to Israel?”

## **Restore the kingdom.?**

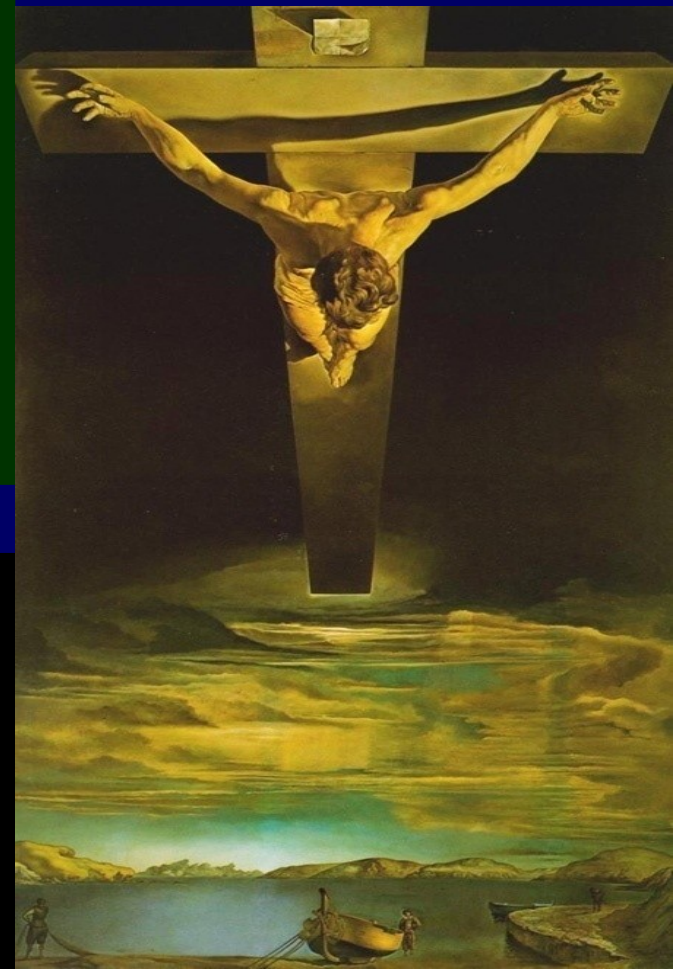
They are tired, they are confused and **they don't want ROME in their country anymore.**

**Luke 19:11;**

Now as they heard these things, He spoke another parable, because He was near Jerusalem and because they thought the kingdom of God would appear immediately.

**Luke 24:21;**

“But **we were hoping that it was He who was going to redeem Israel.** Indeed, besides all this, today is the third day since these things happened.”



Acts 1:6; “Now having met together, they asked him, Lord, has the time come for you to restore the kingdom to Israel?”

**The Apostles were still thinking about earthly terms, about a Physical messiah!**

**Matthew 19:27-30;**

“Then Peter answered and said to Him, See, we have left all and followed You. Therefore what shall we have?” So Jesus said to them, “Assuredly I say to you, that in the regeneration, **when the Son of Man sits on the throne of His glory, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel.** And everyone who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My name’s sake, shall receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last first.”



# **Acts chapter 1:6; The nature of the kingdom?**

Jesus had told Pilate that He, **Jesus, was a king.**  
But He said **His kingdom was not of this world.**

He said if it were, His servants would fight to defend Him (John 18:33-37). **The Messianic Kingdom is now and always will be a spiritual kingdom.**

**Evidently In Acts 1:6; Jesus did not want to take time to explain this difficult concept.**  
**They would learn the truth about this new kingdom soon enough.**



**Jesus did not answer the question directly,  
I think, because it would have been  
hard for them to understand. See Matt 20:21;**

**His explanation would necessarily  
have been long and detailed.**

**They had more important and immediate things  
to be concerned about at the moment.**

**The Jews right now do have their land back,  
or most of what they had in Jesus' day.  
They have their own independent government.**

**But I do not believe that the Bible teaches  
that God has any special spiritual role  
for the nation of Israel today.**



# **Acts chapter 1:6; God's Spiritual Kingdom?**

**Many who claim to be led and guided by the Holy Spirit today often have a problem with what the Spirit revealed in time past and certainly have a problem with understanding the future.**

**The Holy Spirit revealed that one of the impacts that would happen as a result of the coming of the Spirit on Pentecost was that **God would establish His new Kingdom at that time.****

**Acts chapter 1:6; God's Spiritual Kingdom?  
That Kingdom is also called the eklesia,  
the "called out"  
many people refer to it as the Church.**

**In Daniel 2:1-44; We see the vision of the kingdoms  
to come starting from the Babylonian Kingdom  
down to the times of the Roman empire.**

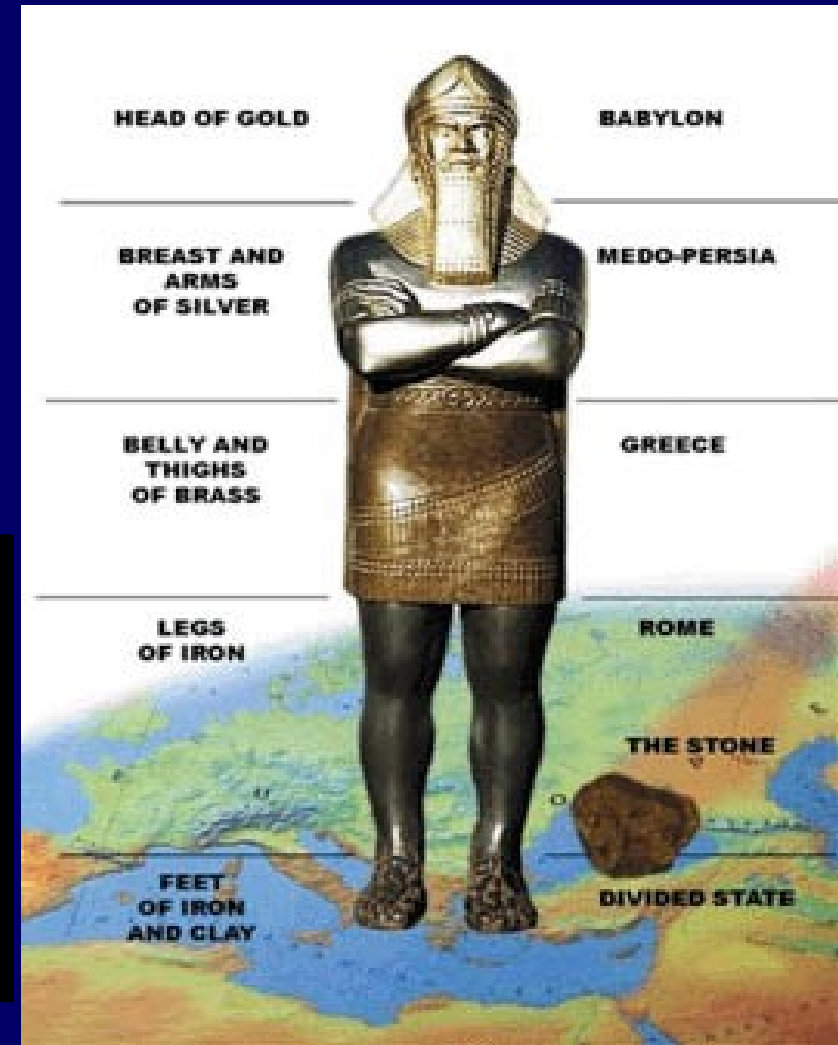
**Dan 2:44; "And in the days of those kings shall the  
God of heaven set up a kingdom which shall never  
be destroyed, nor shall the sovereignty be left to  
another people; but it shall break in pieces and consume  
all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever."**

# Acts chapter 1:6; An everlasting kingdom.

"In the time of those kings,  
the God of heaven will set  
up a kingdom that will  
never be destroyed, nor will  
it be left to another people."

**"It will crush all those  
kingdoms and bring them  
to an end, but it will  
itself endure forever."  
Daniel 2:44;**

**Jesus said it was to be a spiritual kingdom.  
John:18:36;**



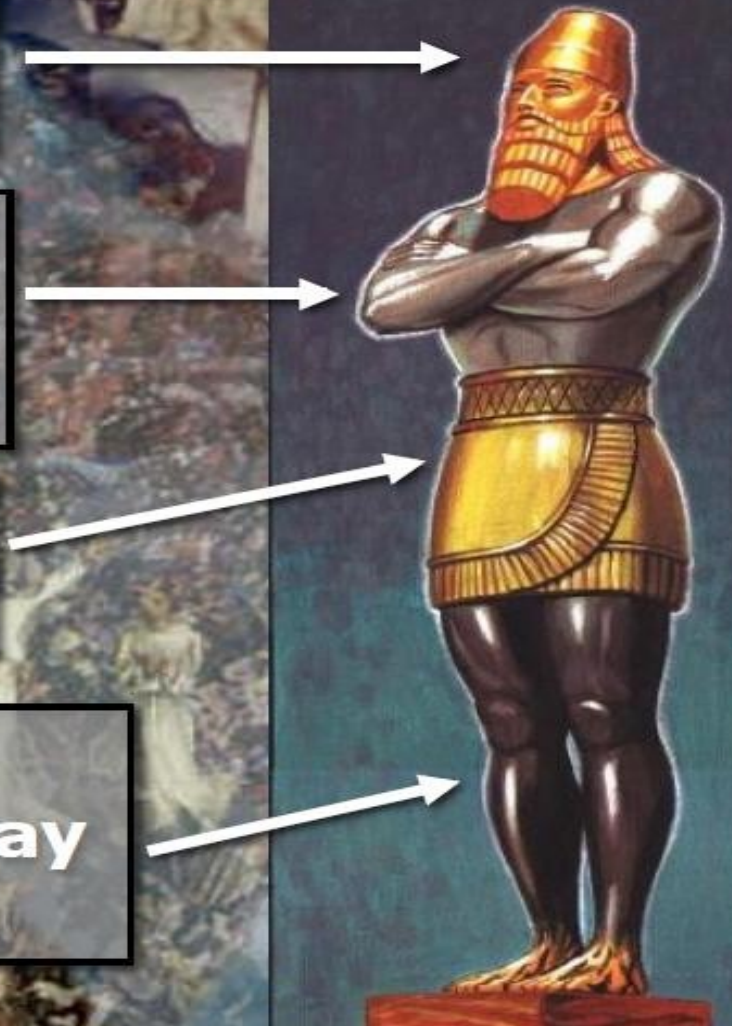
# **“WHAT ABOUT THE PROPHECY OF Dan 2 / Acts 2; THE FOUR KINGDOMS OF DANIEL 2**

**The head of fine Gold –  
The Babylonian Empire**

**The breast and arms of  
silver – Medo-Persian  
Empire**

**The belly of brass – The  
Grecian Empire**

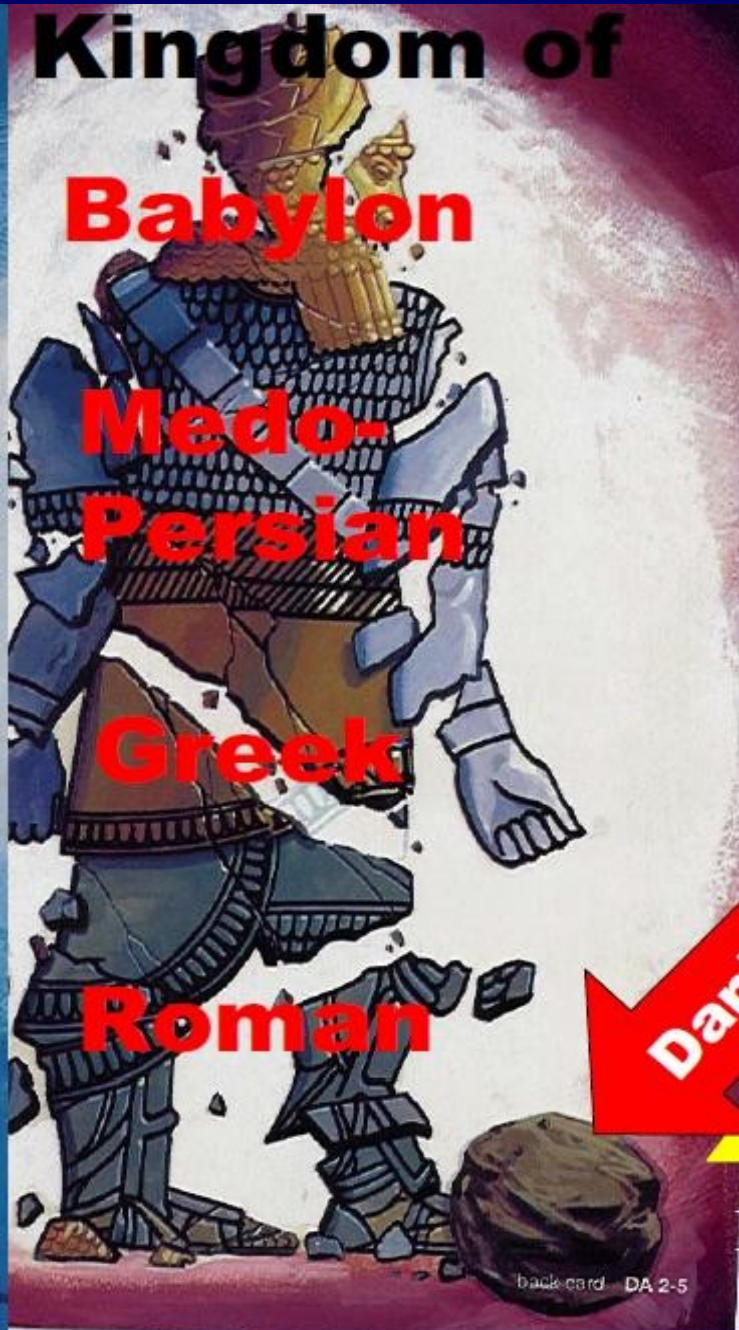
**The legs of iron and feet  
part of iron and part of clay  
– The Roman Empire**



**Dan 2:44; In the days of this last Kingdom,  
in the last days, God would establish His Kingdom.**



# “WHAT ABOUT THE PROPHECY OF Dan 2 / Acts 2;



## Daniel 2 / Isa 2

Latter Days

Many people shall  
come and say  
“Come, and let  
us go to the  
Mountain of  
The LORD

**Teach Us:**

His Ways  
His Paths  
His Law  
His Word

Subject =

Mountain of the  
LORD’S House

Established on top of the mountains

**Daniel 2:35**

**Dan 2:38**

**Dan 8:20**

**Dan 8:21**

**Dan 2:44**

Babylon

Medo-  
Persian

Greek

Roman



**Dan 2:45;** “Forasmuch as you saw that a stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king **what SHALL COME TO PASS** and the dream is **CERTAIN**, the interpretation is **SURE**.”



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**“WHAT ABOUT THE PROPHECY in ISA 2 / Acts 2;**

# **Isaiah 2:1-4 Visualized**

Concerning Judah & Jerusalem vs. 1

**Latter  
Days**

“ALL Nations  
shall flow to it”  
vs.2

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**Dan 8:20**

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**Dan 8:21**

Greek

**Dan 2:44**

Roman

**Isa 2 says God’s new Kingdom beginning from Jerusalem  
will have ALL nations flowing into it, NOT just Jews.**

# **“JOHN AND JESUS SAID THE KINGDOM WAS “AT HAND.”**

**“During the days of THOSE KINGS.” “The ROMAN EMPIRE.”**

**"Turn from your sins and turn to God,  
because the Kingdom of Heaven is near.” Matt 3:2;**

**“ Go and announce to them that  
the Kingdom of Heaven is near.” Matt 10:7; 4:17;**

**“and heal the sick. As you heal them, say,  
'The Kingdom of God is near you now.” Luke 10:9;**

**"At last the time has come!" he announced.**

**"The Kingdom of God is near! Turn from your sins  
and believe this Good News!” Mark 1:15;**

**“ Jesus went on to say, "I assure you that some of you  
standing here right now WILL NOT DIE before you see  
the Kingdom of God arrive in great power!“ Mark 9:1;**

**“THE RESULT WAS THAT WHEN JESUS DIED AND  
THE HOLY SPIRIT CAME IN ACTS CHAPTER 2  
AND INSPIRED THE APOSTLES  
TO PREACH THE GOSPEL OF THE RESURRECTED CHRIST;**

**WE COULD THEN HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY OF SALVATION  
THROUGH THE BLOOD THAT WAS SHED.**

**BY BELIEVING, REPENTING, CONFESSING,  
AND BEING BURIED WITH CHRIST IN BAPTISM  
TO RECEIVE THE FORGIVENESS OF OUR SINS  
AND THE INDWELLING GIFT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT.**

**AT EXACTLY THE SAME MOMENT THAT WE RECEIVED OUR  
SALVATION WE WERE ADDED TO THE BODY OF CHRIST,  
THE CHURCH, THE KINGDOM, THE FAMILY OF GOD.  
HAVING ENTERED INTO A NEW COVENANT RELATIONSHIP  
WITH GOD THROUGH THE BLOOD THAT WAS SHED.**

# THE BIBLE



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The Holy Spirit in the Bible describes **that Christ is reigning now** seated at the right hand of God (**Acts 2:34-36;**) **over the church /the kingdom of God,** until Christ returns to give the kingdom to God. **1 Cor 15:23-27;**

**Many of those who teach and preach about the miraculous power that they claim for themselves today, and preach and teach about their being led and guided by the Spirit, then go onto say:-**

**The Jews rejected Jesus and Jesus FAILED to set up the Kingdom He was speaking about, They say there will be a rapture, and Christ will come to set up His kingdom sometime in the future.**

**There are different opinions as to whether Christ is reigning now invisibly or will at some time in future reign on earth Physically. At some time in the future they say, a great battle will take place.**



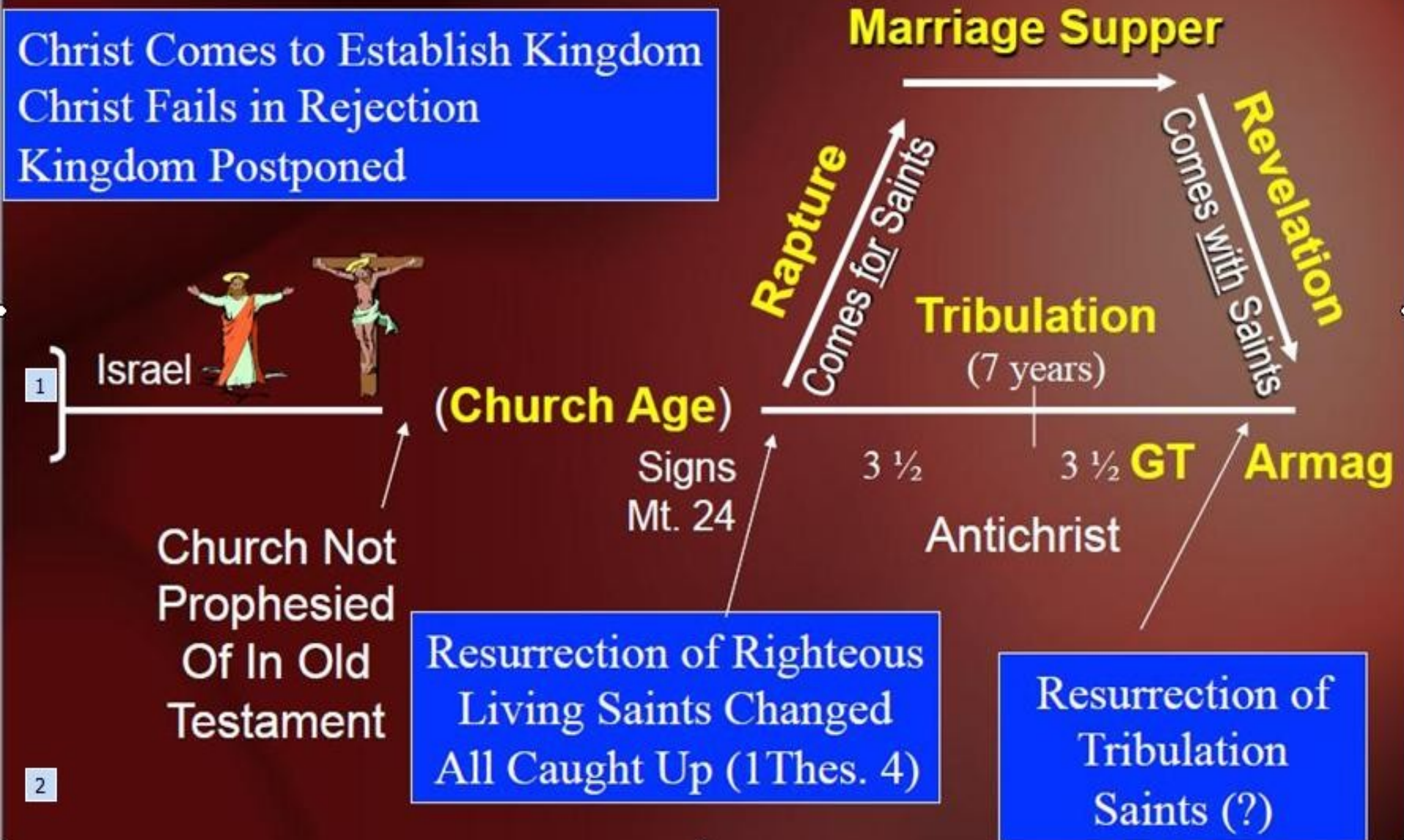
At the outbreak of practically **every war** in the last 150 years, **or every major earthquake or disaster**, books are written by those claiming to be “**spirit inspired and led.**”

saying “**THIS IS IT –NOW GOD IS GOING TO RESTORE THE KINGDOM TO ISRAEL! NOW GOD WILL COME TO SET UP HIS KINGDOM!**”

**THEY say** Jesus was rejected by the Jews!  
**THEY say** Jesus **Failed to set up His kingdom** in Acts 2!  
Which means that the Holy Spirit must have  
**BEEN A FALSE prophet** because what  
The Holy Spirit said would come to pass  
did **NOT** come to pass according to **THEM.**

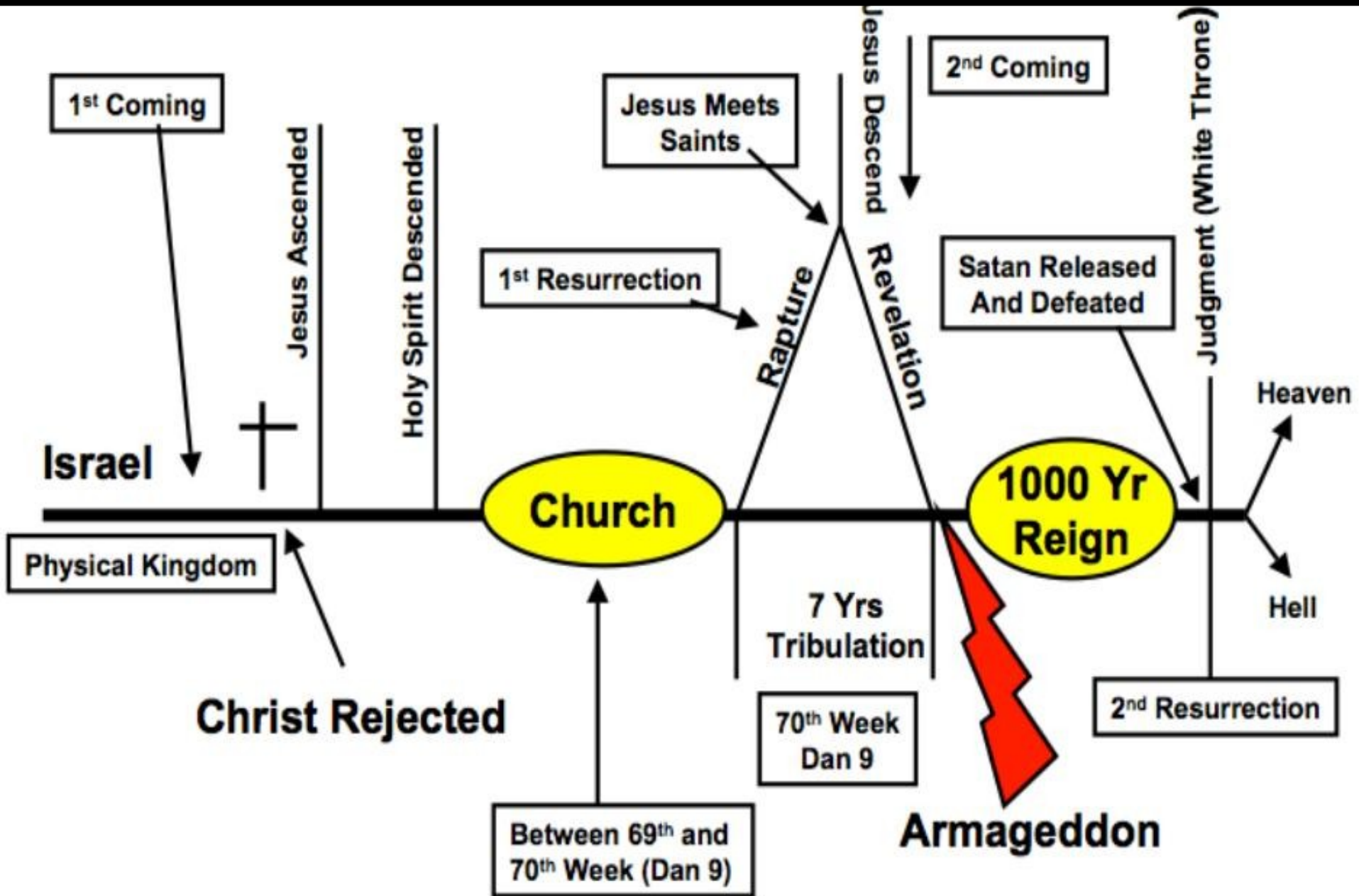
I will only show you **four examples** of what I mean  
you can **DECIDE FOR YOURSELF whether**  
**Jesus failed and the Holy Spirit got things all wrong.**

# “WAS JESUS REJECTED? DID JESUS DEATH CATCH GOD BY SURPRISE? DID THE HOLY SPIRIT GET IT ALL WRONG?”

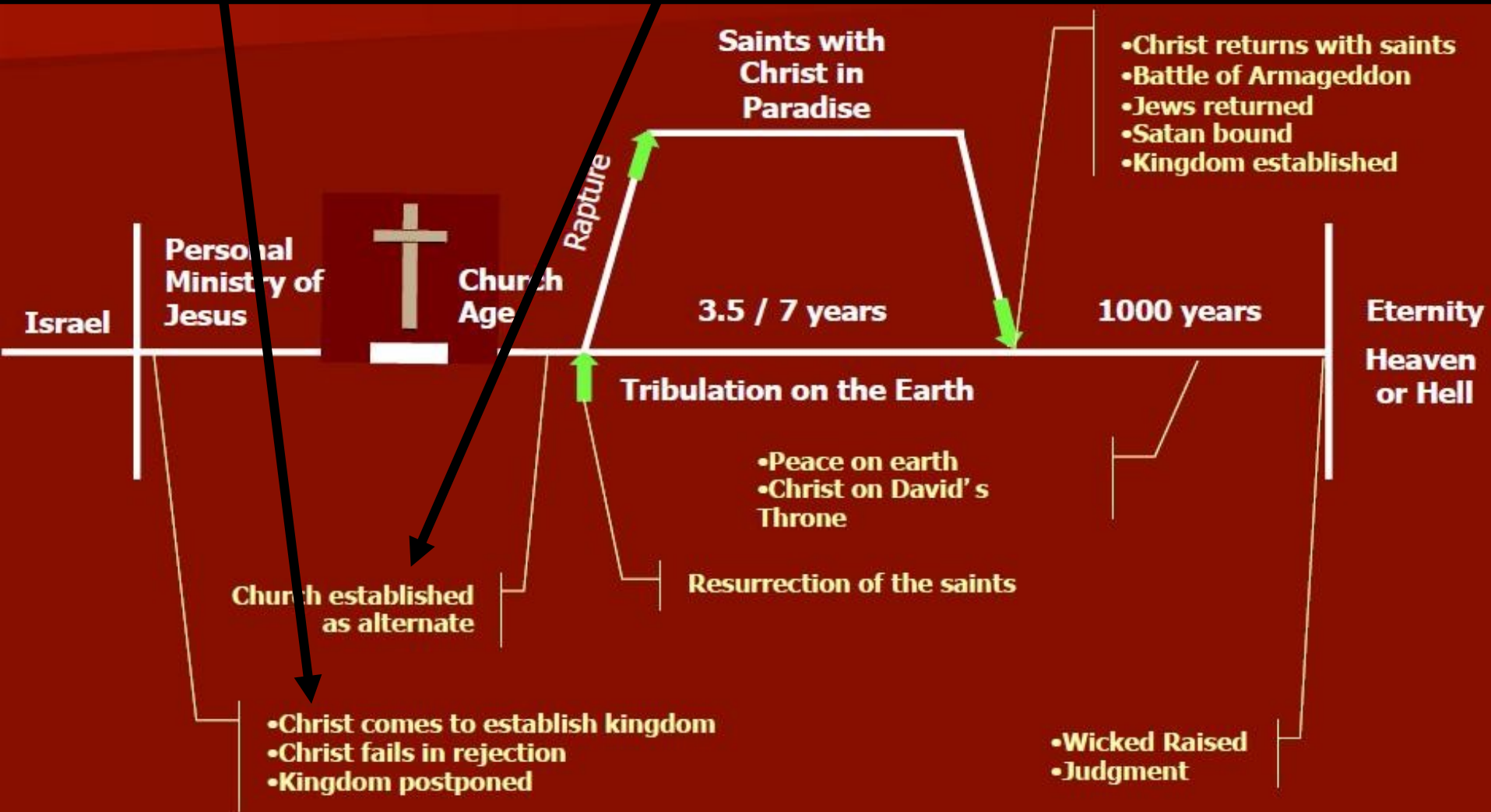


Was the **Church/kingdom** just a stop gap after thought?

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# “WAS JESUS REJECTED? DID JESUS DEATH CATCH GOD BY SURPRISE? DID THE HOLY SPIRIT GET IT ALL WRONG?”



**Who do YOU believe these “spirit led” people or God’s Holy Spirit inspired word?**



# THE BIBLE



**Dan 2:40-44**  
**Mark 1:14-15**  
**Mark 9:1**

**“END”**  
**1 Cor 15:23-26**  
**Matt 25:31-46**



**“Last Days” Heb 1:1-2**  
**Kingdom (Col 1:13)**

**Church (1 Tim 3:5; Matt 16:16-19)**

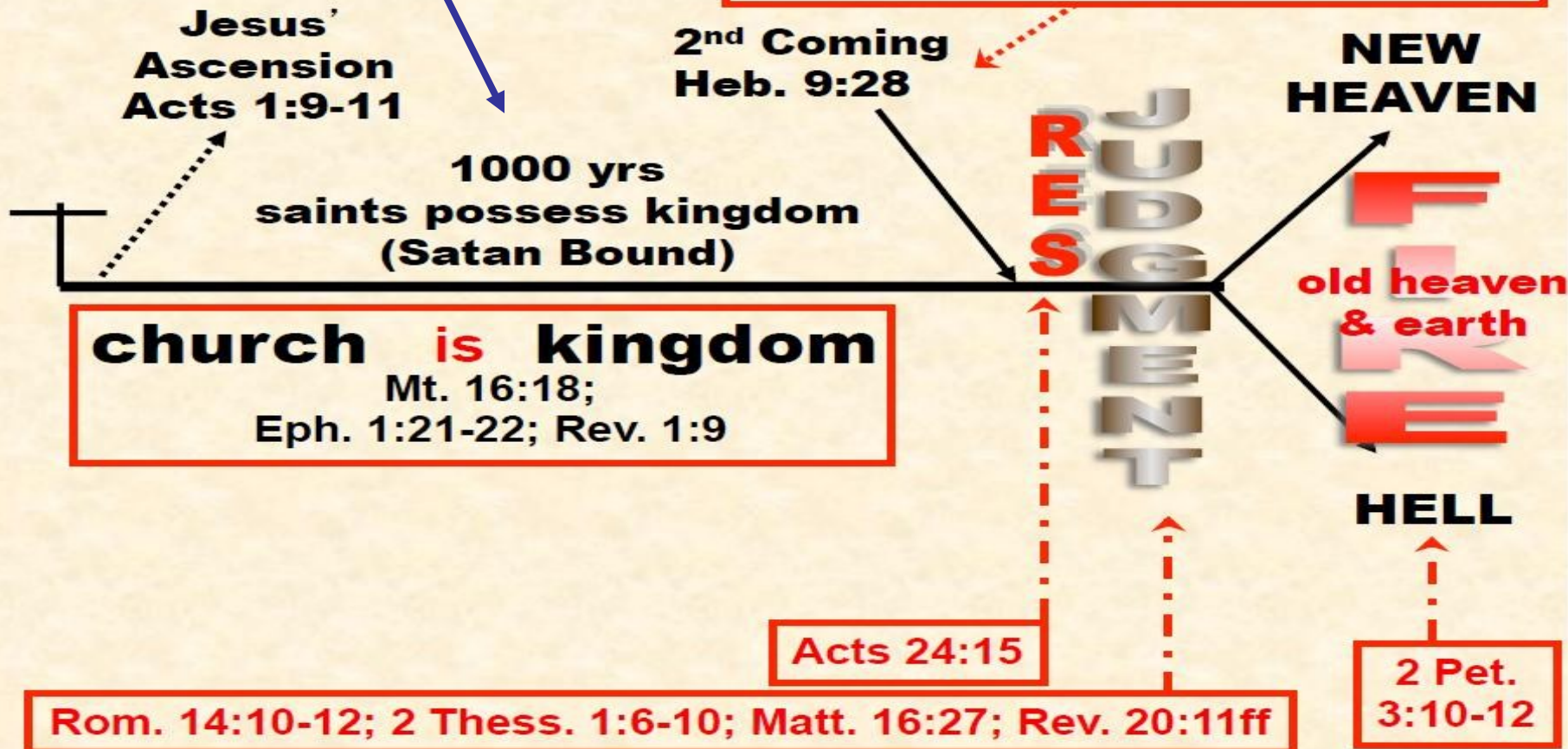
**Day of Pentecost**  
**Acts 1 & 2**

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# THE ESTABLISHMENT IN ACTS 2 OF THE CHURCH / KINGDOM WAS IN THE MIND OF GOD FROM THE BEGINNING.

Not literal but  
Figurative language

*epiphaneia* (manifestation) &  
*parousia* (presence)  
synonymous



Let's look at **the promise** that made it a reality.



# Acts chapter 1:6; God's Spiritual Kingdom?

Matt 16:16-18; "Simon Peter answered,

**"You are the Christ, the Son of the living God!"**

17. Then Jesus said to him, "How blessed are you, Simon, son of John! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven has.

**18. I tell you that you are Peter, and it is on this rock that I will build my church, and the forces of hell**  
**19. will not overpower it."**

# **Acts chapter 1:6; God's Spiritual Kingdom?**

**Some claim that the CHURCH or KINGDOM was established by John the Baptist!**

**All these verses make it plain that the church or kingdom was not established until after John's death.**

**It was not established until after Jesus death.  
Heb 9:15-17;**

## **Acts chapter 1:6; THE QUESTION?**

**“15. This is why He is the mediator of**

**a new covenant; so that those who are called  
may receive the eternal inheritance  
promised them,**

**“since a death has occurred that redeems them from  
the offences committed under the first covenant.**

**16. For where there is a will, the death of the one  
who made it must be established.”**

**“17. For a will is in force only when  
somebody has died, since it never takes effect  
as long as the one who made it is alive.”**



**A nation has never been saved as a nation  
in the sense of having a blanket gift  
of eternal life for all its citizens.**

**That privilege belongs to the spiritual Israel of God  
which is the people called out through the gospel.  
They are God's Holy Nation and Kingdom today.**

**Salvation was is and always will be  
an individual matter.**

**No Jew will ever be saved now or ever on  
any condition other than the same conditions  
on which any Gentile is saved.**

## Acts chapter 1:7-8;

When Jesus had first come on the scene,  
He had announced that the kingdom of God was at hand.

He did not mean that it was coming in a few years.  
He meant that He was bringing in the kingdom in HIS day.

He came planting the seeds of the kingdom and  
those seeds were only now beginning to bear fruit.

Verse 7	Verse 8
Negative emphasized	Positive emphasized
<i>It is not for you to know times or epochs which the Father has fixed by His own authority</i>	<i>You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you</i>
What will NOT be given to them	What WILL be given to them

By the end of chapter two  
there will be over 3000 believers.



## **Acts chapter 1:8;**

**Some have said that this verse  
is the summary of the book of Acts.**

**Jesus said to the apostles:-**

**“8 But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit  
comes on you; and you will be my witnesses  
in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria,  
and to the ends of the earth.”**

**YOU shall receive POWER**

**Enabling power or ability**

**To work miracles therefore carry out the great  
commission which Christ entrusted to them.**

When the King James Version speaks  
of the Holy **Ghost** many think of a ghost.  
It is not this type of ghost.



Who you gonna call?



**GHOSTBUSTERS**  
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## **Acts chapter 1:8;**

**[shall receive power after..]** Didn't they already have power? They went around Judea casting out demons, healing the sick...

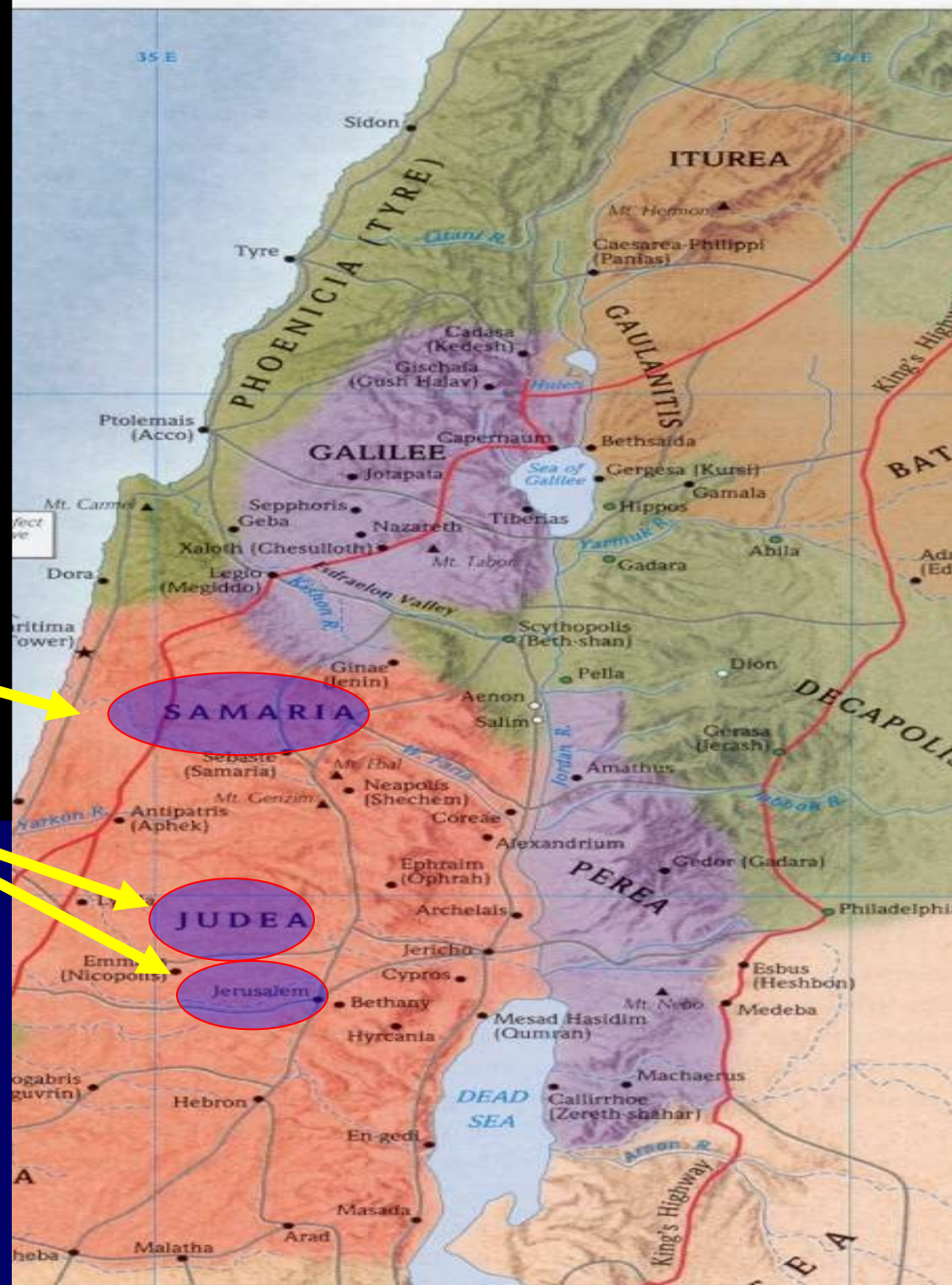
**Jerusalem and Judea - Acts 1 through 7**

**Samaria - Acts 8 through 12**

**Uttermost parts - Acts 13 - 28 & continuing!**



**Acts 1:8; “But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.”**



**Acts chapter 1:8; Jesus said to the Apostles.**

**YOU shall receive POWER  
Ability to REVEAL GODS WORD.**

**John 14 to 16.**

**YOU shall receive POWER  
Ability to CONFIRM GODS WORD  
By MIRACLES**

**Mk 16:17ff Heb 2:4; 2 Cor 2:12;**

**YOU shall receive POWER  
Jesus said this would happen to them  
when the HOLY SPIRIT came upon them.**

**Acts chapter 1:8; Jesus said to the Apostles.**

**YOU** shall receive **POWER**.

**This POWER** would be a **KEY** element  
in **ESTABLISHING** Christ's Kingdom.

**Mark 9:1.**

**Jesus used the term  
KINGDOM and called out ones  
to refer to the same body.**

**Matt 16:16-18;**

**The KINGDOM or Assembly  
would be established with POWER.**

**Mark 9:1;**



**Acts chapter 1:8; Jesus said to the Apostles.**

That **POWER** would be received  
by the Apostles **WHEN** the **HOLY SPIRIT**  
**came upon them.** Acts 1:8;

**So we see that that the KINGDOM or CHURCH**  
would come with **POWER** and the **POWER**  
would be received by the Apostles  
**WHEN** the **HOLY SPIRIT** came upon them.

Therefore we **KNOW** that the **KINGDOM**  
or **Assembly** was **established** when the **HOLY**  
**SPIRIT Came upon the Apostles of Christ.**  
Acts 2:4-48;

**Acts chapter 1:8; Jesus said to the Apostles.**

**Jesus said to the Apostles  
YOU shall be MY WITNESSES**

**Where?**

**Jerusalem, Judea Samaria, ends of the earth.**

**Remember that Jesus had promised to them that  
the HOLY SPIRIT would bring to their remembrance  
ALL that Jesus had said and taught them.**

**John 14:26; 15:26-27;**

**They had to have SEEN something and  
be willing to CONFIRM what they had seen.**

**Also Acts 1:22;**

**Acts chapter 1:8; Jesus said to the Apostles.**  
Remember that **Jesus** had promised to them  
that the **HOLY SPIRIT** would bring  
to their remembrance **ALL** that Jesus  
had **said and taught** them.  
**John 14:26; 15:26-27.**

**YOU** shall be **MY WITNESSES!**  
In acts 2:14; we see the **apostles**  
Begin to **testify** and **witness** on  
the basis of **their personal observation**  
of what Jesus **DID** and **Jesus TAUGHT.**

It is interesting to note that **the word witness**  
is the basis of the word of **MARTYR.**

**Acts chapter 1:8; Jesus said to the Apostles.**

**YOU shall be MY WITNESSES.**



**Jerusalem, Judea Samaria, ends of the earth.**

**“19 Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, 20 and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.”**

**Matt 28:19-20; (NIV) See Mark 16:15-16;**

**Mark 16:15-16; “Then he said to them, “As you go into all the world, proclaim the gospel to the whole creation. The one who believes and is baptized will be saved, but the one who doesn't believe will be condemned.”**

**Jerusalem, Judea Samaria, ends of the earth..**

**After Jesus had ascended  
the Holy Spirit came into the world  
with POWER in Acts chapter two.**

**The Holy Spirit demonstrated His Presence in  
Jerusalem through the 12 Apostles providing them  
with the knowledge and power that they would need  
to proclaim the gospel message for the first time.**

**This demonstration of Power confirming  
the message spoken was from God resulted  
in 3,000 souls being saved. Acts 2:41;**



**Jerusalem, Judea Samaria, ends of the earth..**

The **Holy Spirit** continued to demonstrated His Presence when the message went into Samaria.

**In Acts 8:12; through Philip's preaching:-**

People responded and **were saved** through the **blood of Christ** and **having received forgiveness of sins** and the gift of the indwelling **Holy Spirit**.

**Acts 8:14-17; Peter and John come down and laying hands on the new converts bestow upon them a gift of Power from the Holy Spirit.**

**Jerusalem, Judea Samaria, ends of the earth..**

Again the **Holy Spirit** continued to demonstrate His Presence when the message was taken to **Cornelius** a **Gentile God lover**.  
**In Acts 10:34; through Peter's preaching:-**

**Cornelius and his household** who were still unsaved received from the **Holy Spirit** a gift of **Power to confirm** that the message of the **gospel** could be shared with the **Gentiles** without them needing of **circumcision**.

**Acts 10:46; Cornelius and his household** then responded and were **saved through the blood of Christ** by being baptized receiving forgiveness of sins and the gift of the indwelling **Holy Spirit**.

# **Jerusalem, Judea Samaria, ends of the earth..**

The **Holy Spirit** continued to demonstrated His Presence and confirm the word when in **Acts 19**; Paul proclaims the gospel to the some Gentiles.

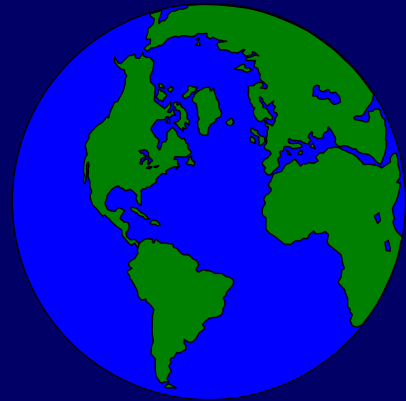
After helping them understand that Johns baptism was long past and helping them become Christians through their obedient response to God's message of Grace through the blood of Christ.

The **Holy Spirit confirms the message** Through **Paul** when **Paul lays his hands** upon them and these **Gentiles receive a gift of Power.**

**Acts chapter 1:8; Jesus said to the Apostles.**

**Is the command to “Go into all the world”  
for us today? (Mark 16:15; Matt 18:19;)**

**“ What you have heard from me through many  
witnesses entrust to faithful people who will  
be able to teach others as well.” 2 Tim 2:2;**



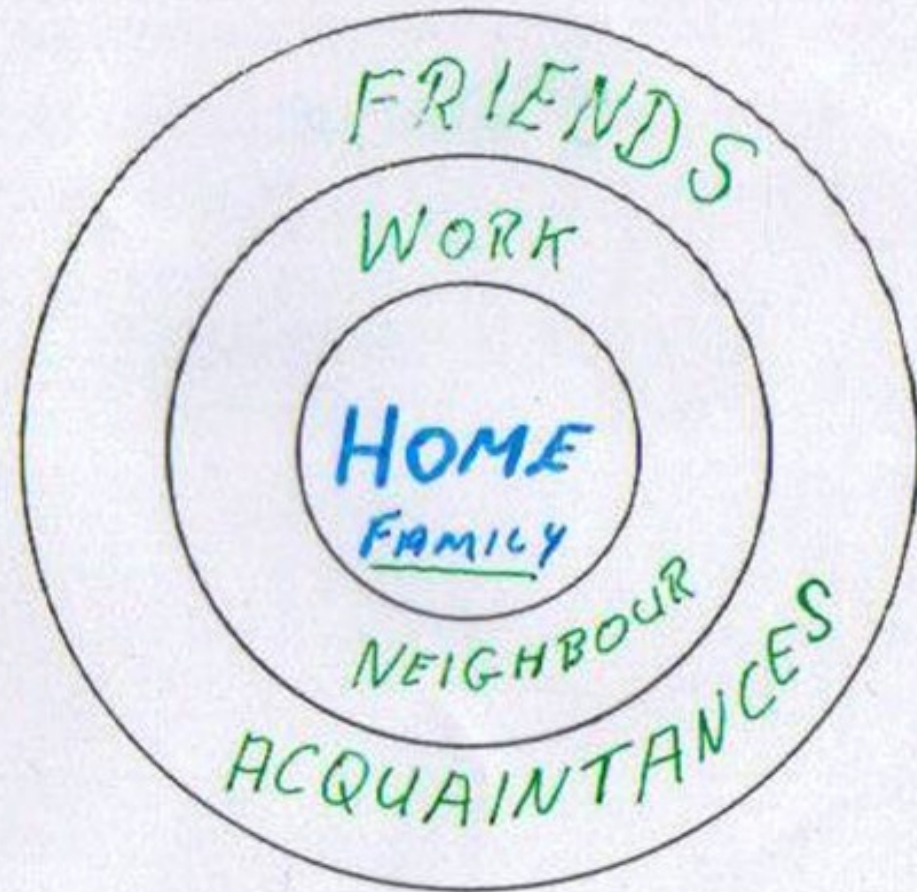
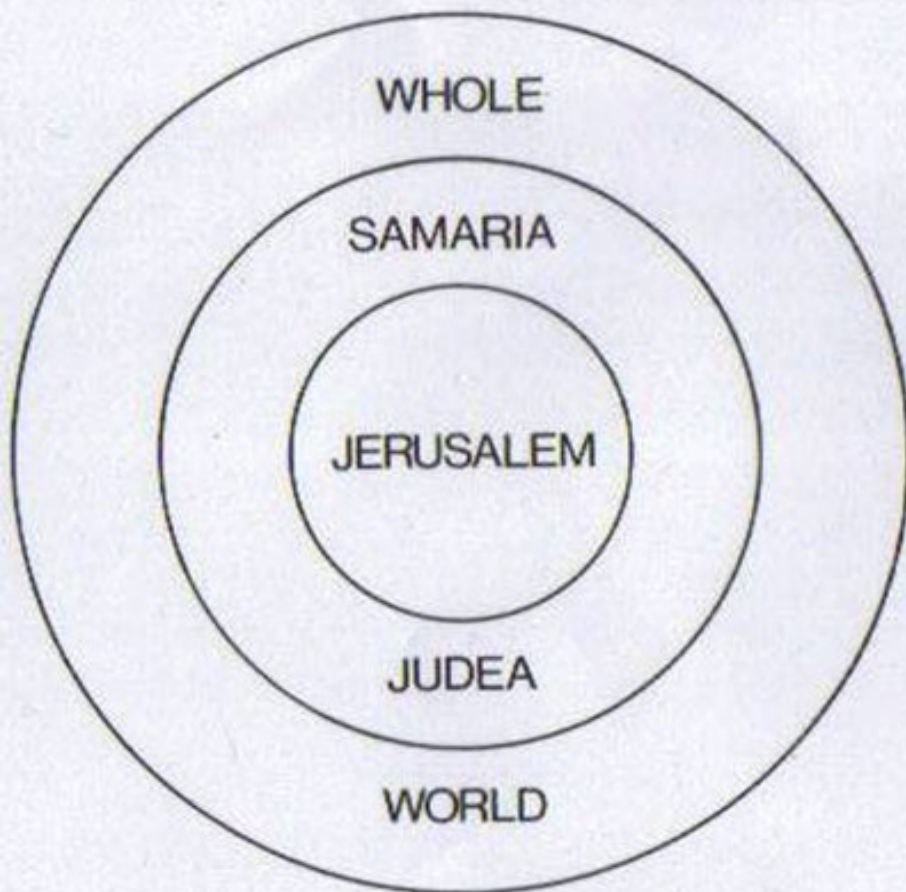
# Acts chapter 1:8; Jesus said to the Apostles.

Remember the outline?

Chap 1 to 7; Jerusalem.

Chap 8 to 12; Judea Samaria.

Chap 13 to 28; To the ends of the earth.



## An Overview of the Book of Acts

“But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in *Jerusalem*, and in all *Judea* and *Samaria*, and to the *end of the earth*.”  
(Acts 1:8)

	Acts 1–7	Acts 8–12	Acts 13–28
<b>Spread of the Church</b>	The church witnessing in Jerusalem	The church witnessing in all Judea and Samaria	The church witnessing to all the earth
<b>The Gospel</b>	Proclaimed in the city	Proclaimed in the provinces	Proclaimed in the world
<b>Theme</b>	Power and progress of the church	Expansion of the church	Paul's three journeys and trials
<b>People Addressed</b>	Jews	Samaritans	Gentiles (Hellenists)
<b>Key Person</b>	Peter	Philip	Paul
<b>Approximate Time</b>	2 years (c. A.D. 33-35)	11 years (c. A.D. 35-46)	15 years (c. A.D. 48-63)
<b>Development</b>	Triumph	Transition	Travels and trials





**The Apostles, and through them the church,  
receives their “marching orders.”**

**The promised kingdom will come in a few days with  
the power of the Holy Spirit as Jesus promised in  
Mark 9:1; and repeated in this first chapter of Acts.**

**God’s kingdom, also called  
“the Kingdom of Heaven,” will soon become  
a spiritual nation composed of people  
from all races and nationalities.**



# Palestine in New Testament Times



# Location of Events in New Testament Church



## **REVIEW of Acts 1:1; to 1:8;**

**v3 Jesus gave infallible proof of His resurrection by many appearance among His followers over 40 days.**

**Jesus was SEEN by them, Jesus was HEARD by them speaking about the kingdom.**

**v4 Jesus told the Apostles to wait in Jerusalem until they received the PROMISE of the Father.**

**v5 Jesus said the PROMISE would be FULFILLED in the NEAR future when the APOSTLES would be BAPTISED with the HOLY SPIRIT.**



## **REVIEW of Acts 1:1; to 1:8;**

**v6 The Apostles asked Jesus if He would RESTORE the KINGDOM to ISRAEL at that time.**

**v7 Jesus said that they did NOT need to KNOW that answer.**

**v8 Jesus told them FOUR things they could KNOW and needed to KNOW .**

## **REVIEW of Acts 1:1; to 1:8;**

**1) THEY** would receive **POWER**.  
That **POWER** would be received  
when the **HOLY SPIRIT** came **UPON** them.

**2) THEY** then would be **HIS WITNESSES**.

**3) THEY** would begin in **JERUSALEM**  
then to **SAMARIA**.

**4) Then** to the **ENDS** of the earth.



**The life these now possess,  
A joy that will not cease,  
Is secure in Him who is  
Called “The Prince of Peace.”**

**All citizens of heaven,  
They are not of this earth.  
Transferred out of darkness,  
They passed through the new birth.**





**By grace their sins forgiven,  
In Jesus they have rest.  
For they own all God's promises.  
And are forever blest.**



**The Church is that Great Kingdom,  
On Zion's holy mount,  
Eating from the Tree of Life  
And drinking from God's fount.**







**Living stones in God's Great Temple,  
And built upon the Rock,  
Have Jesus as their Shepherd;  
They're His beloved flock.**



**God's plan for all the ages,  
Accomplished in His Son,  
Saving to the uttermost,  
He need not lose a one.**

**Come join us in that kingdom,  
You'll be forever blessed.  
You'll feel secure, not anxious,  
And have eternal rest.**

**(Poem by Ellis Jones)**



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# The End

of Acts 1:1-8;

