

TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH

THE ONGOING WORK OF JESUS BY THE SPIRIT THROUGH THE CHURCH IN THE WORLD

The Book of Acts - Part 2

"LEARNING TO BE CONTENT WITH UNANSWERED QUESTIONS"

"Finding Peace and Purpose in God's Providence"

(Acts 1:6-8)

INTRODUCTION:

1. THE QUESTION: WHAT THE DISCIPLES _____ TO KNOW. (1:6)

"So when they had come together, they were asking Him, saying, 'Lord, is it at this time You are restoring the kingdom to Israel?'"

2. THE ANSWER: WHAT THE DISCIPLES _____ TO KNOW. (1:7-8)

"He said to them, 'It is not for you to know times or epochs which the Father has fixed by His own authority;⁸ but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the end of the earth.'"

I CAN BE CONTENT WITH UNANSWERED QUESTIONS BECAUSE...

1A. ...THE ONE WHO DOES KNOW IS _____ . (v. 7a)

*"For the Gentiles eagerly seek all these things;
for your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things."*

— Matthew 6:32

2A. ...WHAT HE HAS CHOSEN NOT TO REVEAL IS _____ . (v. 7b)

"The secret things belong to the LORD our God, but the things revealed belong to us and to our sons forever, that we may observe all the words of this law."

— Deuteronomy 29:29

3A. ...WHAT HE HAS CHOSEN TO REVEAL IS _____ . (v. 8)

“...but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and **you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth.**”

- Their _____ was too _____ and their _____ were too _____ .

“Lord, **is it at this time You are restoring the kingdom to Israel?**”

“To these He also presented Himself alive after His suffering, by many convincing proofs, appearing to them over a period of forty days **and speaking of the things concerning the kingdom of God.**”

— Acts 1:3

“Therefore let it be known to you that **this salvation of God has been sent to the Gentiles; they will also listen.**” ...³⁰ And he stayed two full years in his own rented quarters and was welcoming all who came to him, ³¹ **preaching the kingdom of God and teaching concerning the Lord Jesus Christ with all openness, unhindered.**”

— Acts 28:23-31

- The _____ is far _____ and the _____ is far _____ .

“I am the good shepherd, and I know My own and My own know Me, even as the Father knows Me and I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep. **I have other sheep, which are not of this fold; I must bring them also, and they will hear My voice; and they will become one flock with one shepherd.**”

— John 10:14-16

CONCLUSION: