



# ACTS

**The Gospel In Motion**

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Acts 1:1-11

Apostles spent 40 days with  
resurrected Jesus

Stood agape as Jesus ascended  
into Heaven

Two angels tell the apostles to get  
on with it...



WHAT NOW...?

## Acts 1:12-13

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<sup>18</sup> (With the payment he received for his wickedness, Judas bought a field; there he fell headlong, his body burst open and all his intestines spilled out. <sup>19</sup> Everyone in Jerusalem heard about this, so they called that field in their language Akeldama, that is, Field of Blood.)



## Matthew 27:3-10

<sup>3</sup> When Judas, who had betrayed him, saw that Jesus was condemned, he was seized with remorse and returned the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders. <sup>4</sup> “I have sinned,” he said, “for I have betrayed innocent blood.” “What is that to us?” they replied. “That’s your responsibility.” So Judas threw the money into the temple and left. Then he went away and hanged himself. The chief priests picked up the coins and said, “It is against the law to put this into the treasury, since it is blood money.”

## Matthew 27:3-10

<sup>7</sup> So they decided to use the money to buy the potter's field as a burial place for foreigners. <sup>8</sup> That is why it has been called the Field of Blood to this day. <sup>9</sup> Then what was spoken by Jeremiah the prophet was fulfilled: "They took the thirty pieces of silver, the price set on him by the people of Israel, <sup>10</sup> and they used them to buy the potter's field, as the Lord commanded me.

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What Now...?

Two “What Now...?” moments:

The Lord has left us...

Our brother has betrayed us...

What do we do?

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What Now...?

Gathered and prayed together



# Praying in Uncertainty

Phil 4:6 - “Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God...”

## Acts 1:21-22

<sup>21</sup> Therefore it is necessary to choose one of the men who have been with us the whole time the Lord Jesus was living among us, <sup>22</sup> beginning from John's baptism to the time when Jesus was taken up from us. For one of these must become a witness with us of his resurrection."

# Keeping the Company of Jesus

- Jesus healing the sick
- The Sermon on the Mount (Do not worry...)
- Jesus mourning the death of John the Baptist
- Feeding the people
- The teachings of the parables
- The Greatest Commandment
- His Death
- His Resurrection

What Now...?

Gathered and Prayed

Consider and keep company with Jesus – proclaim His resurrection!

## Acts 1:23-26

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# Casting Lots

Mentioned over 40 times in scripture

Proverbs 16:33

The lot is cast into the lap,  
but its every decision is from  
the LORD.



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## Proverbs 3:5-6

<sup>5</sup> Trust in the LORD with all your heart  
and lean not on your own understanding;  
<sup>6</sup> in all your ways submit to him,  
and he will make your paths straight.

# What Now...?

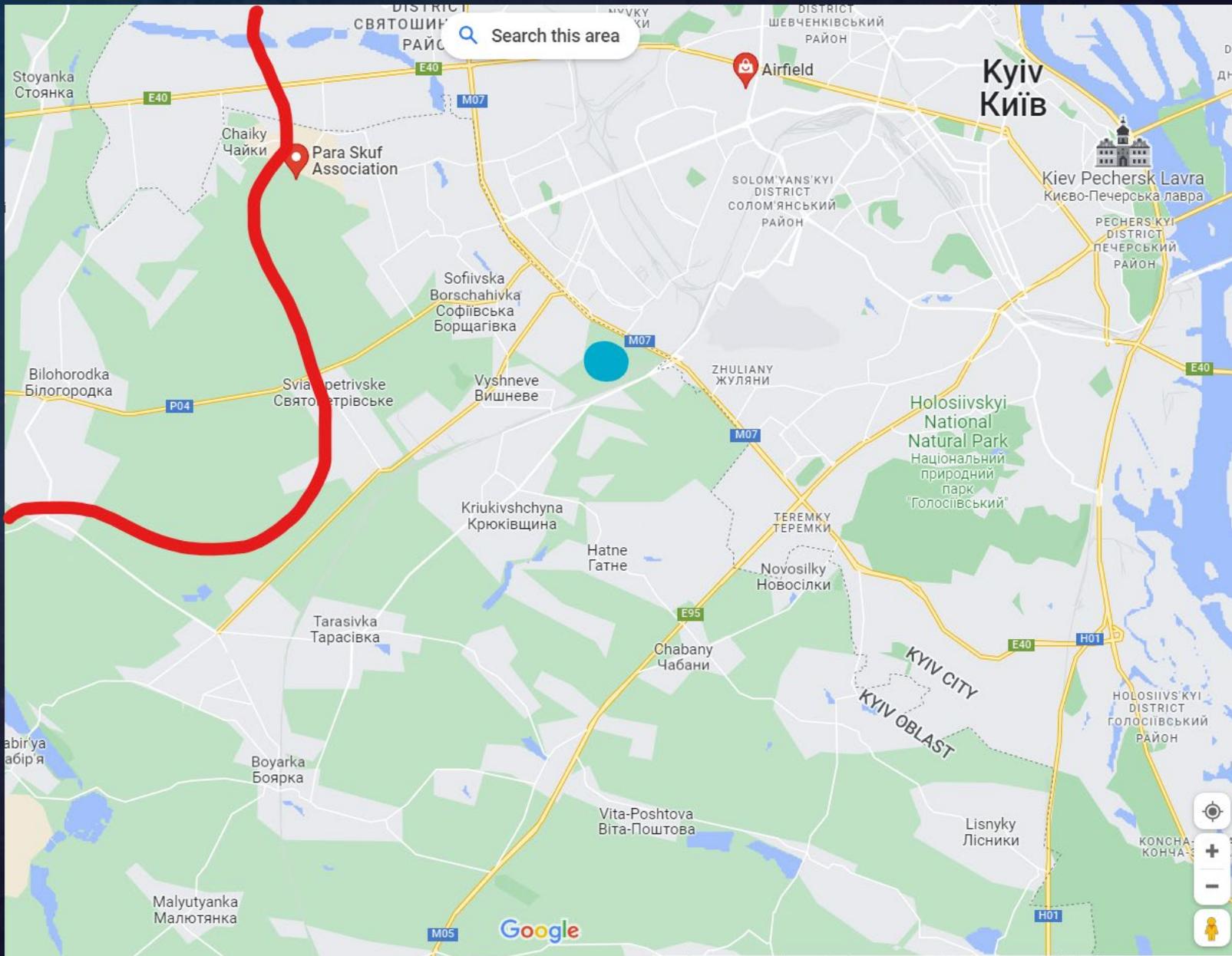
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Consider and model the life of Jesus – Proclaim His resurrection!

Surrender



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