

Acts: To the Ends of the Earth

Acts 1:12-26

Introduction

- 1. Committed to meeting together
- 2. Committed to praying together
- 3. Committed to studying God's Word together
- 4. Made sure they had the right people in the right place

Committed to meeting together

Acts 1:12-15

- Luke 22:19—"This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."
- John 13:33-35—Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me, and just as I said to the Jews, so now I also say to you, 'Where I am going you cannot come.' A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.
- John 13:21—Truly, truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me.
- Hebrews 10:24-25—consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Committed to praying together

💠 Acts 1:14

Committed to studying God's Word together

* Acts 1:15-20

Luke 24:25-26—"O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning himself."

1. The divine origin of scripture.

- 2 Timothy 3:16—All Scripture is breathed out by God
- 2. The Absolute Sovereignty of God
- 3. The Unfathomable Mercy of God



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- Genesis 50:20—As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today
- 4. The Unyielding Justice of God
 - * Matthew 27:3-8
- 5. Practical Instruction

Committed to getting the right people in the right positions

Acts 1:21-26

- **1.** Identify Qualifications
- 2. Pray
- 3. Trust the Lord with the decision
 - John 15:16—You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you
 - Proverbs 16:33—The lot is cast into the lap, but its every decision is from the Lord.

Points of Application

Beloved, if we're going to be gospel witnesses to the ends of the earth, we too MUST be...

1. Committed to meeting together.

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2. Committed to prayer.

3. Committed to the Word of God

2 Timothy 3:!6-17—All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

4. Committed to getting the right people in the right positions