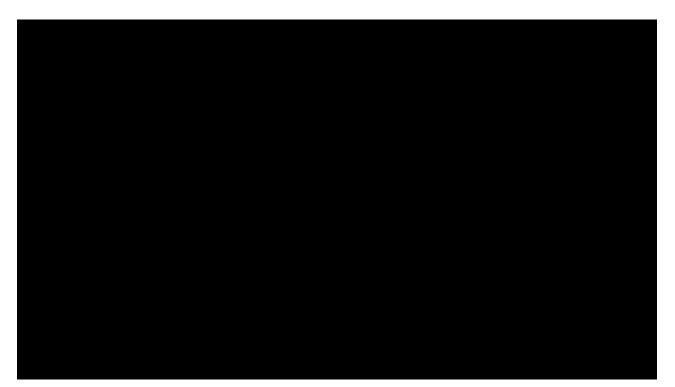
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Acts 1:1-11 Through The Bible In 2021



Living For Victory Or Living From Victory



The Book of Acts Snapshot Author – Luke Audience – Theophilus Purpose – The rest of the story...



#### Acts 1:1-11

In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

And while staying with them he ordered them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the promise of the Father, which, he said, "you heard from me; for John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth." And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

# And Now...

Proof positive

- The Gospel of Luke
  - The testimony of Jesus Christ
  - The testimony of the followers of Jesus Christ
- Jesus Christ
  - Died on the cross
  - Raised from the dead
  - 40 days of proof
  - Speaking about the kingdom of God



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## And Now...

Proof positive Wait

- Ready to go... but wait
- Stay and wait in Jerusalem
  - Fulfillment of promise of the baptism by the Holy Spirit



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# And Now...

Proof positive

Wait

Confusion clarified

- Restoration of the kingdom of Israel
- Not kingdom of Israel but the kingdom of God
- Time or seasons is in the Father's fixed authority Matthew 24:36
- "But concerning that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only."



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# And Now...

Proof positive Wait Confusion clarified Drastic change

- The kingdom of God
  - The movement of God to bring mankind into an intimate relationship through the completed word of Jesus Christ death, burial, and resurrection



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## Game Plan...

Wait... then go,...

- Starting point Jerusalem
  - Acts 2:41

So those who received his word were baptized, and there were added that day about three thousand souls.



## Game Plan...

Wait... then go,...

- Starting point Jerusalem
- Then Judah and Samaria
  - Acts 8:1

And Saul approved of his execution. And there arose on that day a great persecution against the church in Jerusalem, and they were all scattered throughout the regions of Judea and Samaria, except the apostles.



#### Game Plan...

Wait... then go,...

- Starting point Jerusalem
- Then Judah and Samaria
- To the end of the earth
  - Acts 10:34–35

So Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. "



# Game Plan...

Wait... then go,...

But... without Jesus physically present

- After the plan Jesus returns to heaven
- Promise of the return of Jesus



### Game Plan...

Wait... then go,... But... without Jesus physically present The journey is not ending... it is just beginning

- While waiting on Jesus
  - Go
  - Be church



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# Wait On Him...

Wait... then go,...BUT NOT Alone!

- The coming on the Holy Spirit
  - Promised before John 14:15-21



#### John 14:15–21

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you.

"I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."

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#### Wait On Him...

Wait... then go,...BUT NOT Alone!

- The coming on the Holy Spirit
  - Promised before John 14:15-21
- And He came! Acts 2:1-4
  - The day of Pentecost

     A celebration of God as provider through from the Mosaic Law –
     Feast of Weeks – Leviticus 23:15-22



### Wait On Him...

Wait... then go,...BUT NOT Alone! The power of the Holy Spirit

Old Testament prophecy – Joel 2:28-32



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#### Joel 2:28-32

"And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my Spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female servants in those days I will pour out my Spirit.

"And I will show wonders in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. And it shall come to pass that everyone who calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved. For in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the LORD has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the LORD calls. "

# Wait On Him...

Wait... then go,...BUT NOT Alone! The power of the Holy Spirit

- Old Testament prophecy Joel 2:28-32
- Proclamation by the power of the Holy Spirit Acts 4:8
- Unity by the Holy Spirit Acts 4:31
   And when they had prayed, the place in which
   they were gathered together was shaken, and
   they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and
   continued to speak the word of God with
   boldness.

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