

Sermon Notes

The Transition from Jesus to His Spirit-empowered Church

Acts 1

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Purposes: To show the establishment of the church, and how the gospel spread from Jerusalem out to the world, through the testimony of the people of the church.

The work of the Holy Spirit is key in all of this happening.

1:1-3 Recalling the gospel of Luke, and transitioning to Acts.

Jesus appeared to the apostles for 40 days, proving His resurrection and teaching them.

News to be proclaimed: Christ suffered and rose again from the dead. And repentance for forgiveness of sins are to be proclaimed in His name to all the nations. (Luke 24:46-47)

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1:4-5 **You will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.**

(ref.: John 14:16-17, 26, 16:7; Acts 11:16-17, 1 Cor. 12:13, 6:11, Titus 3:5)

1:6-8 **You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, to be Jesus' witnesses, to the whole world.**

1:9-11 **Jesus ascended to heaven, but is coming back again.**

In the meantime, we are to be Jesus' witnesses.

1:12-26 The church choose a replacement twelfth apostle.

Were they right or wrong in doing this?

Jesus, later, choose Paul as an apostle.

We will see examples, throughout the book of Acts, of the amazing things that can happen as Christians do what the Lord wants them to do, lead and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

What is your response to this? Discuss it with someone today.

Suggested related reading: About Luke, Col. 4:14, 2 Tim. 4:11; Jesus coming again, Matt. 24:14, 29-31, Rev. 1:5-7, 1 Thess. 4:13-17