

YOU WILL BE MY WITNESSES

Acts 1:1-14

Key verse 8

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

1. What did the author Luke write about in his former book (1-2)? What did the Risen Jesus do before his ascension (3)? Why is a conviction of Jesus' resurrection important to us? How is Jesus' resurrection related to the kingdom of God?
2. What did Jesus command his apostles, and why (4a; Lk 24:47)? What promise did Jesus remind them of (4b-5)? To fulfill God's will, why did the apostles need to be baptized by the Holy Spirit (Jn 14:18-20; 15:26-27)?
3. How did the apostles reveal their own hope and expectations (6)? What did Jesus' answer mean for them (7)? Read verse 8. What was God's plan and vision, and how would it be carried out? How is being Jesus' witness related to God's vision?
4. What is the meaning of Jesus' ascension (9; Ac 2:33)? How would Jesus return (10-11)? Why is the hope of his return important?
5. What did the apostles do after Jesus' ascension (12-14)? Who was involved in united prayer, and what is the significance of it? What can we learn from them?