THE CONTINUING MINISTRY OF JESUS

A LOOK FORWARD

I AM SENDING THE PROMISE OF MY FATHER UPON YOU!

DO NOT DEPART FROM JERUSALEM

THE ASCENSION

LUKE 24:49

LUK 24:49

A LOOK BACK

THE RESURRECTION

1:3

POINT: THIS IS A SEQUEL

ACTS 11-5

TRAVELLED WITH PAUL

LUKE 16

AROUND 60AD

THEOPHILUS

ROMAN OFFICIAL

YOUNG CHRISTIAN?

PREVIOUSLY IN... THE GOSPEL!

DO NOT DEPART

THIS IS WHAT JESUS CONTINUED TO DO!

1:1

FROM JERUSALEM I AM SENDING THE PROMISE OF MY FATHER UPON YOU!

“SPIRIT”

“THE WORD”

TIMES

FROM 1:3

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES JESUS CHRIST

THIS IS WHAT JESUS CONTINUED TO DO!

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ACTS

...IS THE STORY OF THE CONTINUING WORK OF JESUS

WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES THAT MAKE?

1. THERE ARE MORE CHAPTERS TO THE GOSPEL

2. THIS IS JESUS’ MINISTRY

3. NOTHING IS POSSIBLE WITHOUT JESUS

AND GREAT THINGS ARE POSSIBLE WITH JESUS

EVEN IF YOUR CHURCH IS SUPER-ACTIVE!

THE SPIRIT OF GOD AND THE WORD OF GOD IS MORE THAN ENOUGH TO DO THE WORK OF GOD

MAT 16:18

JOHN 15:5

AND GREAT THINGS ARE POSSIBLE WITH JESUS.

THE SPIRIT OF GOD AND THE WORD OF GOD IS MORE THAN ENOUGH TO DO THE WORK OF GOD.
UP AND AWAY

WILL YOU AT THIS TIME RESTORE THE KINGDOM TO ISRAEL?

THE DISCIPLES MISUNDERSTAND

1. IT’S NATURE
2. IT’S DOMAIN
3. IT’S TIMING

THE KINGDOM

THE KINGDOM IS HEAVENLY AND SPIRITUAL

A CONSTANT THEME IN ACTS... THE KINGDOM ADVANCES WITH THE GOSPEL!
② The Kingdom is Universal...
Not National

In Jerusalem...
Acts 8-12
In Judea...
Acts 8-12
In Samaria...

"To the ends of the Earth!"
Acts 13-28
Like Paul in Rome
28:30-31

③ The Kingdom is Now...
And not yet

Stop looking up!
(YOU HAVE A JOB TO DO!)

The Command: 1:8

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This is the Jesus I know

Do this in confidence
Because the Holy Spirit empowers you
Acts 2:13 4:31 6:8

Don't just be an advocate...

Pro Jesus!

Be a witness!
YOU WILL BE MY WITNESSES

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GOD’S PLAN IS INDESTRUCTABLE

GOD CAN JUDGE SUNNERS TODAY GOD (NOT YOU) WILL PUNISH YOUR ENEMIES

WAITING (OBEEDIENTLY)

LUCER 24:49

GOD WILL NOT BE MOCKED

REMEMBER

CONSOLATION 

GOD (NOT YOU) WILL PUNISH YOUR ENEMIES

1:12-26

ACTS 1:12-26

Mathias chosen...

Why bother telling us this?

THIS IS WHAT HAPPENED TO WICKED JUDAS

YOU WILL BE MY WITNESSES

1:8

120 FOLLOWERS

ALL PRAYING

ACTS 1:14

NO JUDAS?

Peter

1:15

1:16-19

ACTS 5:5

12:23

PS 73

1:12-24

GETTING THE BAND BACK TOGETHER

120 FOLLOWERS

1 COR 11:29-32

WARNING

GOD (NOT YOU) WILL PUNISH YOUR ENEMIES

INSTANTLY

CONSOLATION 

PS 73

GOD CAN JUDGE SUNNERS TODAY

→ INSTANTLY

CONSOLATION 

PS 73
Judas was God's plan.

Jesus is reconstructing what it means to be Israel.
Matthias chosen by God.
Must have seen all of Jesus' ministry & resurrection.

The apostate replaced.

Why (why not 11?)

There are no empty thrones in heaven.
Judas' share in the ministry was still needed.

No matter what happens, our God will have His way.

GOD WILL HAVE HIS WITNESSES

EVEN IN THE DARKEST TIMES, GOD IS WORKING FOR YOUR GOOD

THE SCRIPTURES WILL BE FULFILLED

Even in the darkest times, God is working for your good.

Psalms 69:25, 109:8, 1:16

Apostles? 1:21-22, 1:17, 1:25

The scriptures will be fulfilled.
POURED OUT ON ALL FLESH

Jesus' followers on Pentecost

He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire

Many languages were spoken and understood

Leading up to God's judgement

Pentecost: a Jewish festival 50 days after first fruits of the harvest

Peter

We are not drunk! 2:15

Listen to the prophet Joel!

They are drunk!

What does that mean?!

The dawning of...

A New Day

Joel 2:28-32

Signs you are in the last days

- Wonders in nature (e.g. sun going dark)
- Pouring out of God's Spirit

Joel


Acts 2:1-12
THIS NEW DAY MEANS...

A NEW EXPERIENCE

AN OLD MESSAGE WITH A NEW TWIST

GOD’S JUDGEMENT COMES SOON
CHRIST RULES FROM HIS THRONE

A NEW EXPERIENCE

OLD TESTAMENT

ONLY CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS RECEIVED THE HOLY SPIRIT
E.G. NUM 11:24-30

NOW GOD’S SPIRIT IS POURED OUT ON ALL GOD’S PEOPLE
A GOSPEL HARVEST

AN OLD MESSAGE WITH A NEW TWIST

EVERYONE WHO CALLS UPON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED
(OLD MESSAGE)

THE ‘NAME’ IS JESUS (THAT’S NEW!)

THE INVITATION IS GLOBAL

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1:17-18
ACTS 4:12
E.G. NUM 11:24-30
WARNING HOPE
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GOSPEL
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THE CENTERPOINT OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

JESUS WAS A MAN...

- ATTESTED BY GOD...

- NO ONE DID MIRACLES LIKE JESUS