



A POWER-FILLED PURPOSE

ACTS 1:6-11

I. Jesus shared His plan, which required His disciples' _____.

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. vv. 6-9

1. JESUS ASCENDED to heaven gradually, bodily and visibly. (Acts 2:33)
2. JESUS ASCENDED to sit at the right hand of the Father. (Heb 1:3)
3. JESUS ASCENDED to intercede for His followers. (Heb 7:25)
4. JESUS ASCENDED to send the Helper, Comforter and Guide—the Holy Spirit. (In 16:7)

"But when the Helper comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness about me. And you also will bear witness, because you have been with me from the beginning." John 15:26-27

II. The disciples' empowerment would propel them to be His _____.

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." vv. 10-11

JESUS HAS GIVEN YOU
_____ *power* FOR _____ *purpose*.

What would you say your purpose is?

What would others say your purpose is?

Is His power having His purposeful effect in your life?

And he led them out as far as Bethany, and lifting up his hands he blessed them. While he blessed them, he parted from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy, and were continually in the temple blessing God. Luke 24:50-53



Here's a glimpse at what you need to know for this week at Christ Chapel. If you'd like to find out even more, visit www.ccbcfamily.org/events.

1. What thoughts from the sermon were particularly helpful or encouraging for you?

"No doubt the early church experienced a special dynamic. Part of that dynamic was that Jesus' first followers were so sure of their message. The other part was that they were also sure God had given them power. What was so dynamic about the early church was its Holy Spirit-inspired boldness. Luke's narrative about the day of Pentecost and the events leading up to and following it is the story of how God gave them confidence to preach their message by giving them access to the Spirit's power. Our problem today is not that we lack access to God's power. It is that we often neglect to plug our spiritual appliances into the power source by faith."

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2. Read Acts 1:6-11. What evidence is there that the disciples did not understand the kingdom that Jesus set up?

How can we make similar mistakes in our understanding?

3. What do we need to know about the time of Jesus' return (see also Luke 21:5-36)?

What don't we need to know? Why?

4. How was it going to be possible for the apostles to fulfill their mission? Why is this important for us to remember?

5. What conviction was going to sustain the apostles as they fulfilled their mission while Jesus was physically absent?

How does v. 11 encourage you? What does it encourage you to think and do?

6. Does v. 8 apply to you? If not, why not? If so, what attitude, priority or specific action does this verse suggests for your purpose in life?

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