YOU WILL RECEIVE POWER

Acts 1:1-11 (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[[1]](#footnote-1))? 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[[2]](#footnote-2); Jn 15:26-27[[3]](#footnote-3))?
3. How did the apostles reveal their own hope and expectations (6)? What did Jesus’ answer mean for them (7)? What was God’s plan and vision, and how would it be carried out (8)? How is being Jesus’ witness related to God’s vision?
4. What is the meaning of Jesus’ ascension (9; Ac 2:33[[4]](#footnote-4))? How would Jesus return (10-11)? Why is the hope of his return important?

1. **Luke 24:47**: and repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. **John 14:18-20**: I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. 19 Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. 20 On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. **John 15:26-27**: 26 “When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father—the Spirit of truth who goes out from the Father—he will testify about me. 27 And you also must testify, for you have been with me from the beginning. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
4. **Acts 2:33:** Exalted to the right hand of God, he has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit and has poured out what you now see and hear. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)