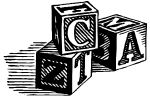


Acts 2:12 And they all continued in amazement and great perplexity, saying to one another,

## "What Does This Mean?"

Response Questions for, "The Storyline of the Bible - The Hero's Legacy - The Mission of God-Part 2," (Acts 1:1-11).



### **Basic Ideas** from Acts 1:1-11.

The Holy Spirit is calling to us from this passage to consider three ideas.

1. The Holy Spirit desires for us to know how His people are a part of the Hero's legacy and conquest.
2. The Holy Spirit desires for us to choose to live in light of the one story of God.
3. The Holy Spirit desires for us to feel the joy of knowing that God is winning and His kingdom is advancing.



### **Basic Questions** from Acts 1:1-11.

1. What does Acts 1:1 establish for the reader?
2. Notice the word "orders" in 1:2. What does this word imply?
3. What was the content of what Jesus taught during the 40 day period between His resurrection and His ascension?
4. Notice the continuity between Luke 24:49 and Acts 1:4.
5. How is the promise in 1:4 defined in 1:5?
6. What was our Lord's response to the questioning of His disciples in verse 6?
7. What does the statement, "Which the Father has fixed by His own authority" suggest?
8. What will we receive in verse 8? Where will this take us?
9. Do you think the ideas of 1:8 are necessary or suggestive? Is this pattern for going more than suggestive?
10. If it is more than suggestive, then how can we as a local church pattern our ministry around this idea?
11. What was the content or subject matter preached by the early church (cf. Acts 5:42)?
12. Are you living with power or is it something other than what you possess?
13. How would you receive this power if you did not have it?
14. Do you believe God's method is working? How do you see yourself in light of the Book of Acts? Are we a part of this one story or are we different?



### The **Basic Application** from Acts 1:1-11.

1. You and I are a part of something that is much bigger than ourselves.
2. We are a part of the winning team.
3. Friend, where are you in all of this? "What think ye of Christ?" Is He the focal point of your life? As we consider the old year behind us and the new year in front, where is Christ in all of this? He must be everything or He will be nothing.

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4. Friend, the Elders are asking you to pray for us as we seek to understand how we can think, plan, and act more aggressively in the implementation of this great truth.
5. We must not relent, we cannot quit, and we must stay the course no matter how difficult the waters might be or how great the obstacles appear. God has won and we are winning.
6. What would God have you do? Your options are two-fold. Stay faithful to the task before you and be a part of a community of faith or be sent by a community of faith for the telling of the story elsewhere. May God give us wisdom in this holy endeavor.
7. What does this story cause you to change in your thinking and/or actions?