



Acts 1:6-11

6 So when they had come together, they asked him, "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" 7 He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. 8 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."

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9 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. 10 And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes, 11 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."

In His ascension:

1. Jesus has settled our past
2. Jesus has given us purpose for our present
3. Jesus has secured our future hope

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1. Jesus has settled our past

"He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high..." - Hebrews 1:3

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- Realize your need
- Remember His benefits

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"Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all His benefits." - Psalm 103:2

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v. 8 - "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."

2. Jesus has given us purpose for our present

Before v. 8 is a command for you to carry out, it is a promise God has already fulfilled for you.

2. Jesus has given us purpose for our present

This is the purpose of your present life: to join in the redemptive work of Christ as those who have been reached, now reaching others!

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LOGOS — The Message:
What you say about Jesus

2. Jesus has given us purpose for our present

ETHOS — The Life
How you reflect Jesus

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PATHOS — The Heart
Your passion for Jesus

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We are called to **see** Him.

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"Seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth... [for] your life is hidden with Christ in God." - Colossians 3:1-3

3. Jesus has secured our future hope

We are called to **wait** for Him.

3. Jesus has secured our future hope

"When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory." - Colossians 3:4

