

LIFE Group Guide

Act 1- Story 1

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THE ORCHARD

Read: Acts 1:1-11

Outline:

9 Questions to answer in Act 1 story 1

What did Luke accomplish in book one? (1)

What are these Holy Spirit empowered commands Jesus gave the Apostles? (2)

What happened the 40 days between the resurrection of Christ and the ascension? (3)

What is the promise of the Father? (4)

What does the message of John the Baptist tell us? (5)

Why are the disciples asking about the kingdom of Israel? (6-7)

What is meant by Jerusalem, Judea & Samaria, and the ends of the earth? (8)

What is the point of the two men in white robes? (9-11)

What will the "ascended" period of Jesus like? (Luke 17:23-24)

7 Reasons Jesus ascended:

1. To prepare a place for us (John 14:1-4)
2. To become our way to the Father (John 14:6)
3. To empower us for great works through Him (14:12)
4. To intercede to the Father for us (14:13-14)
5. To send the indwelling surrounding Holy Spirit... forever (John 14:15-17)
6. To indwell us with the Father and be manifest to us (John 14:18-20 & 23)
7. To become our abiding source for bearing fruit (John 15)

Discussion Questions

1. What was something from the passage/message that led you to think, feel, or act biblically?
2. How does this passage connect with our lives today?
3. How does this passage point to or reflect Jesus Christ?
4. What does be a witness of Jesus Christ entail? (1:1-2)
5. Why is the ascension of Jesus Christ significant to the Christian faith? (1:9-11; cf John 14)
6. What power does the Holy Spirit give to the believer? (cf. John 15-16)