

The Last Visit

Acts 1:3-8

3 After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God.**4** On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: “Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about.**5** For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with [b] the Holy Spirit.”

6 Then they gathered around him and asked him, “Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?”

7 He said to them: “It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. **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.”

Let's Revisit His Appearances

Mary And Martha Unbelieving at The Tomb

The Road to Emaus Walking Home Unbelieving

The Upper Room Easter Night - 10 Unbelieving Disciples

Week After Easter An Unbelieving Thomas

Week Three Hills of Galilee Commissioning “Still Some Did Not Believe

Now 40 days after resurrection

Acts 1

Jesus command Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about.

Notice He Made Them Wait.

Why? He could have sent the Spirit immediately

Why the Wait?

Waiting in Jerusalem requires obedience “Do not leave”

Greater Still Waiting Requires Faith

“Without faith is impossible to please God”

But, if you will trust He will:

Acts 1:5

5 For John baptized with water, but in a few days, you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”

Baptism is symbolic of a new life

Jesus wanted to immerse them with Holy Spirit.

“but wait for the gift my Father promised”

His Spirit will reside in you.

John 14:16-17

16 And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever— **17** the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you.

What Will This Promised One Do.

He Will Empower You.

Acts 1:8

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.”

He Will Instruct You.

John 14:26

26 But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and will remind you of everything I have said to you.

He Will Comfort You

John 14:27

27 Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.

He Will Pray When You Cannot

Romans 8:26

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans.