SERMON NOTES & DISCUSSION GUIDE Sunday, April 26, 2020



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A PROMISE FULFILLED – THE COMING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT ACTS 1 and 2

Jesus gives us a PROMISE to send the Holy Spirit to enable us Acts 1:1-8

Having given us our Mission to be His witnesses and Disciple Makers, He will provide the Holy Spirit to enable us.

Jesus tells us to PREPARE our hearts through prayer Acts 1:12-14 Devoting times of Prayer to prepare our hearts for the work He desires to do in us and through us.

The Father has sent His PROVISION, the Holy Spirit Acts 2:1-4
To Indwell us – To Baptize us in the Body of Christ – To Fill us with enabling Grace

We can now experience the enabling POWER of the Holy Spirit in our lives Acts 2:14-41

When we give ourselves and our ministry to the Holy Spirit, He will magnify the blessing we bring to people and will magnify the honor we bring to God.

We are to live as Christ's PEOPLE in this world. Acts 2:42-47 As we are the church – we reveal Jesus Christ to the world.

For Discussion

1.	If you were one of the people who witnessed Jesus return to
	Heaven in Acts 1, how would you have felt? What would you
	have been thinking? What would you have done? Now read
	Luke's parallel account in Luke 24:50-53. Are you surprised by
	their response to Jesus leaving them to return to Heaven?

- 2. Read about the prayer meeting in Acts 4:23-31. How do they use Scripture to guide their prayer? What do they ask God to give them? Why do you think they ask for this instead of safety? How does God answer their prayer?
- 3. What are some ways you serve and honor the Lord? Think about ways you do that besides church ministries.
 - How could you give these things to the Holy Spirit to use and empower? What does that prayer look like?
- 4. What are some ways that you and your family can show Jesus Christ to others?

What are some ways Grace Church can show Jesus Christ to the world?