

# Acts 1

## Lesson 5

### Prologue (1-3)

- To Theophilus, tied in with Luke's gospel.
- Forty days had passed since his resurrection.

### The Holy Spirit Promised to His Apostles (4-8)

- Apostles were to wait in Jerusalem
- Promise of Holy Spirit baptism given to them
- Compare to Mark 9:1
- Significance of this event can not be overstated. Completion of God's scheme of Redemption immanent.

### Jesus Ascends to Heaven (9-11)

- Mirrors Luke 24:50-53.
- Predicts Jesus' Second Coming (vs. 11).

### Matthias Chosen to Join the Eleven (12-26)

- Apostles heed Jesus' admonition to tarry in Jerusalem.
- One needed (to fulfill prophecy) to take the place of Judas Iscariot, who committed suicide after betraying Jesus.
- Qualification: Eyewitness of Christ's resurrection (cf. 1 Corinthians 15:8-10).
- Matthias was chosen over Barsabas after prayer and the casting of lots.
- (Note: The casting of lots was not to choose by chance. Rather, it was to allow God to show who He had chosen... "show which of these two You have chosen to take part in this ministry and apostleship")

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