

# SURVEY OF THE BIBLE

## Acts: The Beginning of a New Kingdom

### The King Ascends and the Kingdom Begins

Quarter Four, Lesson One

**Focus Text:** Acts 1 & 2

**Other Readings:** Matthew 16. 17 – 20; Luke 24. 45 – 49

#### CONTENT

1. What does Matthew 16. 17 – 20 suggest about the relationship between the church and the kingdom?
2. To whom was Jesus speaking in Acts 1. 4 – 8?
3. What command did Jesus leave with his apostles?
4. What question did the apostles ask Jesus?  
  
How did Jesus respond?
5. What did Jesus say they would receive when the Holy Spirit came upon them, and what would it equip them to do?
6. From what location did Jesus ascend?
7. Who witnessed his ascension?
8. Where did the apostles stay in Jerusalem, and with whom did they pray?
9. What qualifications of an apostle does Peter mention in Acts 1?
10. What was “the day of Pentecost,” and how many days after Passover was it?

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11. What is being described in Acts 2. 2 – 4?
12. What does it mean to “speak in other tongues” (2. 4 – 7)? How does the context make the meaning clear?
13. How did the mockers explain what the apostles were doing, and what evidence did Peter offer to the contrary?
14. How did Peter conclude his teaching, according to 2. 36?
15. How did the people respond to Peter’s conclusion?
16. What were the activities of the early church?

### **CONNECTIONS**

1. To what earlier writing does the author of Acts refer in 1. 1 – 2?
2. How do the events on Pentecost relate to the Lord’s promise in Matthew 16?
3. In his teaching on Pentecost, Peter quotes Psalm 16. 8 – 11 and Psalm 110. 1. What point does he use them to support?
4. In the words of David quoted in 2. 27 and 2. 34, what expressions does he use to refer prophetically to Jesus?

### **PLACES**

On both the blank maps provided in this booklet (one of Palestine and one of the entire eastern Mediterranean region), indicate the location of Jerusalem.

