

# A Look at "The Church"

ACTS 1  
CHAPTER 1  
*Prologue to Acts*  
THE <sup>R</sup>former <sup>T</sup>treatise have I <sup>T</sup>made, O <sup>T</sup>The-oph'-i-lus, of all that Jesus began with to do and teach.  
*Luke 1:3 • book • written*  
Until the day in which he <sup>T</sup>was taken up, or that he through the Holy Ghost had given commandments unto the apostles whom he had chosen:

*Appearances of the Resurrected Christ*  
*Luke 24:44-49*  
To whom also he shewed himself alive <sup>T</sup>in his passion by many <sup>T</sup>infallible proofs, <sup>T</sup>in the space of them forty days, and speaking of things <sup>T</sup>pertaining to the kingdom of heaven.

*Mark 16:14 • unmistakable • concerning*  
Being assembled together with them, he commanded them that they should not depart from Jerusalem, <sup>R</sup>but wait for the commandment of the Father, which, saith he, ye shall receive.

*when they came • Luke 24:49*  
Ye shall be <sup>T</sup>truly baptized with water; <sup>R</sup>but ye shall also be baptized with the Holy Ghost not with <sup>T</sup>water.  
*2:4, 33; Matt. 3:11*  
They therefore were come together, and asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time <sup>T</sup>restore again the kingdom to Israel?  
*Amos 9:11 • give back*  
He said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath reserved unto himself, <sup>R</sup>to fulfil by his own power.

Ye shall receive power, after that ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost.

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10 And while they looked toward heaven as he went up, he stood by them in white robes.  
11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? <sup>R</sup>Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.  
*Rev. 1:7 •*

*Anticipation of the Spirit—Luke 24:52*  
12 Then returned they unto Jerusalem, and abode in the mount called Olivet, which is from Jerusalem a sabbath day's journey.  
13 <sup>R</sup>And when they were come in, they went up into an upper room, where abode both Peter, and James, and John, and Andrew, Philip, and Thomas, Bartholomew, and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon Ze-lo'-tes, and Judas the brother of James.

*Matt. 10:2-4; Luke 8:13-18*  
14 These all continued <sup>T</sup>with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with the brethren.

*united • Matt. 11:25*  
*Appointment of Matthias—Matt. 27:7, 8*  
15 And in those days Peter <sup>R</sup>stood up in the midst of the disciples, and said, (the number of names together were about an hundred and twenty.)

*2:14; Luke 11:13*  
16 Men and brethren, this scripture must needs have been fulfilled, <sup>R</sup>which the Holy Ghost by the mouth of David spake before concerning Judas, <sup>R</sup>which was guide to the betrayer of Jesus.

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20 For it is written in the book of Psalms, <sup>R</sup>LET HIS HABITATION BE DESOLATE, AND <sup>R</sup>LET NO MAN DWELL THEREIN: AND HIS BISHOPRICK LET ANOTHER TAKE.  
21 Wherefore of these men which have accompanied with us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John, unto that same day that he was taken up from us, must one be ordained to be a witness with us of his resurrection.  
23 And they <sup>T</sup>appointed two, Joseph called Barsa-bas, who was surnamed Justus, and Matthias.  
24 And they prayed, and said, Thou, Lord, which knowest the hearts of all men, shew whether of these two thou hast chosen.  
25 <sup>R</sup>That he may take <sup>T</sup>part of this ministry and apostleship, from which Judas by transgression fell, that he might go to his own place.  
26 And they gave forth their lots; and the lot fell upon Matthias; and he was <sup>T</sup>numbered with the eleven apostles.

CHAPTER 2  
*Filling with the Holy Ghost*  
AND when <sup>R</sup>the day of Pentecost was fully come, <sup>R</sup>they were all with one accord in one place.  
2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

*The Power  
of a  
Purified Church*

*The Acts of the Apostles  
Chapter 5*

*A Purified Church is Accountable to  
God and Each Other*

Their Sin was Planned

Their Sin was Disruptive

Their Sin was not Hidden from God

Their Sin was Punished

*A Purified Church is a  
Powerful Church*

Supernatural Enabling

Congregational Unity

*A Purified Church will Overcome  
Hardships and Persecution*

They were Recipients of:

Indignation

Incarceration

Liberation

We will Face the Same