

“Acts – Enlarging God’s Kingdom: Witnesses (1)” (Acts 1:1-11)

**Right Perspective about the Future... Right _____ for the Present
– God’s Kingdom/Righteousness**

**Revelation – the Future, _____ with Acts – the Present
Acts – Key Verse (Acts 1:8)**

- Jesus’ _____ to Enlarge His Kingdom
- Disciples Appointed to be His _____ to carry out this Task

I. Introduction (1:1-5)

A. Author and Initial Recipient: Luke and Theophilus

B. “What comes after a person Believes Jesus?”

**Believers are Called to be Jesus’ _____,
and are Commissioned to share the _____ with others**

C. What are we to Witness?

1. Jesus Overcame the Power of Death: Many _____

Early Disciples... Eyewitnesses to the Risen Lord over the period of 40 Days on 11 occasions

2. From Apostles to Luke, to Theophilus and us (1 Cor 15:1-2a)...

**Be _____ to our Generation and Future Generations
as Witnesses to the Good News**

II. The Kingdom and Power (1:6-8)

A. Jesus’ Focus: The _____ (Matt 6:9-13, 33)

1. God’s Timetable: _____ Change precedes the Coming of the Kingdom

**2. Christians are not to be Curious about the Future, but to be Busy in the Present –
Sharing the Message of God’s Spiritual Kingdom**

B. Are You ready to Witness?

1. Focus on “Me” results in _____ to Witness

2. Promise of Power – the _____

**Requirements for Witnesses: Willingness, Reliance on the Holy Spirit,
and Understanding of the Gospel of Jesus Christ**

III. The King will Return (1:9-11)

A. Jesus will Return in cloud, bodily, and in view of people (cf. Rev 1:7; Zechariah 12:10)

B. Work of Christ on earth is in the hands of Disciples...

**There is _____! We are it!
Will you be His Witness? “Here am I, Use me!”**

Answers: Priority; Balanced; Blueprint; Witnesses; Good News; Convincing Proofs; Faithful Stewards; Millennial Kingdom; Spiritual; Reluctance; Holy Spirit; No Plan B

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Be Faithful Stewards to our Generation and Future Generations as Witnesses to the Good News

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