The Acts of the Holy Spirit

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The Holy Spirit Prepares His Church

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In v. 3 Luke tells us that Jesus gave "many proofs" that he was alive. Why do you think He did this?

What do you think the disciples might have been thinking when Jesus says, "do not leave Jerusalem?"

What is "the promise of the Father"? Isaiah 32:15; 44:3;

Ezekiel 36:25-28; 37:14; 39:29;

Joel 2:28-31

Of what good is the indwelling of the Holy Spirit?

John 14:16, 26, 15:26, 16:7-8, 13;

Luke 12:11-12

What do the disciples assume or take for granted, in their question in v.6? Why?

Joel 3:1-21

Why are the disciples so concerned about the restoration of Israel?

Luke 22:28-30

What does it mean for His disciples to be "witnesses?"

How did God prepare them for this task? How has he prepared us?

What does the ascension prove?

Why do the two "men" tell the disciples that Jesus is coming back? Why would that be important to the disciples?

What can we learn from the selection of Matthias that is applicable to the church today?