

## Spend Time with Jesus

ACTS 1:1-11

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**PREPARE** *Pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance as you read and study God's word.*

**Read the verses slowly in your favorite translation. Record your insights and answers to the following questions.**

- On a scale of 1-5, how would you rate the amount of time you spend with Jesus? Using the same scale, how would you rate the quality of that time? What do you do with the time you spend with Jesus?
- In your own words, what was Jesus' mission? Compare your answers with Luke 19:10. How does Luke 19:10 and the opening of the Book of Acts help you see where you and our church fit in Jesus' mission?
- Based on these verses in Acts, what can you conclude was Jesus' purpose during the 40 days after His resurrection? What does that have to do with all believers, not just the disciples?
- Why was the coming of the Holy Spirit essential to the disciples' obeying Jesus' Great Commission? How would the Spirit empower the disciples to carry out Jesus' mission?
- How does this help us understand the role of the Spirit in our lives today? Why is He important for ongoing mission of the church?
- How does verse 8 apply to believers today? What does it mean to be Jesus' witness? What are we witnesses to? How can we be His witnesses today if we have never seen Him?
- What was the significance of Jesus' ascension? What does this teach about Christ's future coming? What does the work of waiting for Jesus' return involve? How do we do this on a daily basis?

**GO DEEPER** *Pray for the Holy Spirit to take you deeper into the lesson.*

**Use** your study Bible or other biblically sound resources to research the background of the book of Acts. Who is the author? When was it written and where? Who is the original audience? What are the purposes and distinctives of the book? What did you learn from your research that will enhance your understanding as we journey through the book of Acts?