

## MISSION ACCOMPLISHED: NOW WHAT?

### II. Preparation For A New Mission – (A 40 day period)

#### D. Why 40 days?

1. Jesus sought to \_\_\_\_\_ His disciples irrefutably of His bodily \_\_\_\_\_!  
..... “ *to whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many infallible \_\_\_\_\_, being \_\_\_\_\_ of them 40 days*” ( Acts 1:3a)

\*Remember doubting Thomas... John 20:24-29

2. Jesus also wanted to communicate to the disciples about the \_\_\_\_\_!

• God’s Kingdom program was not \_\_\_\_\_, just \_\_\_\_\_ until a later time!

3. Jesus wanted to communicate to the disciples that they would not be \_\_\_\_\_  
or \_\_\_\_\_, since He was going away!

• Promises concerning this:

4. Jesus wanted to give the disciples some final \_\_\_\_\_ or marching \_\_\_\_\_  
for His new program, the \_\_\_\_\_!

• What is the *difference* between the old & new commission? (cf Mt 10 & Mt 28 & the other gospel accounts)

• *Where* is this new commission given?

- In Mt 28, here they were commanded to “ \_\_\_\_\_ ” of all people groups (nations)

- In Mk 16, here they were commanded to preach the \_\_\_\_\_ to every creature

- In Lk 24, they were commissioned, by the \_\_\_\_\_, to preach the gospel to the whole world

- In Jn 20, they were sent as gospel \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_ into all the world!

- In Acts 1:8 they were promised that the \_\_\_\_\_ would come on them in a few days to \_\_\_\_\_ them  
to be \_\_\_\_\_ for Christ in all the world.

#### E. Why Did Jesus Ascend Into Heaven? (Jn 16:5ff)

1. Jesus said, “ It would be to their \_\_\_\_\_ that He go away!”(Jn 16:7)
2. The H.S. has a special mission during the \_\_\_\_\_ that enables the church do its job as Christ’s \_\_\_\_\_ to a lost world! ( Jn 16:8-11)
3. Christ wanted to teach them more, but they were not be able to \_\_\_\_\_ it at the present time... this would take the indwelling \_\_\_\_\_ of the H.S. to accomplish that (Acts 1:8)
4. The Holy Spirit’s ministry includes the fact that He ...
  - will \_\_\_\_\_ them into \_\_\_\_\_ truth, as He will be the very Spirit of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - will \_\_\_\_\_ you things to \_\_\_\_\_!
  - His ministry would be to \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus Christ in all things
  - will declare the things pertaining to \_\_\_\_\_, to you
  - Jn. 14:16-18- He will permanently abide \_\_\_\_\_ them & be \_\_\_\_\_ them
  - Jn. 15:26-27- through the H.S., God’s people will be able to \_\_\_\_\_ to others about Christ
  - So our fulfilling of the Great Commission is not just up to us, but as we are \_\_\_\_\_ by the HS, Christ will \_\_\_\_\_ this commission \_\_\_\_\_!

- What is our part in this?

#### **F. Jesus Ascension To Heaven (Acts 1:9-11)**

1. Christ’s ascension marks the division between Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ ministry & His \_\_\_\_\_ ministry!
2. Jesus ascension is marked in this passage by the words “ \_\_\_\_\_ ”

- What about those today who claim to have seen Jesus at the foot of their bed?

- Was Christ ascension predicted in the OT?

3. Jesus ascended and is now seated at the \_\_\_\_\_ of God where He represents us by means of His \_\_\_\_\_ & \_\_\_\_\_ before the throne of God!

- Guess who is there with Him?

- What is He doing there?