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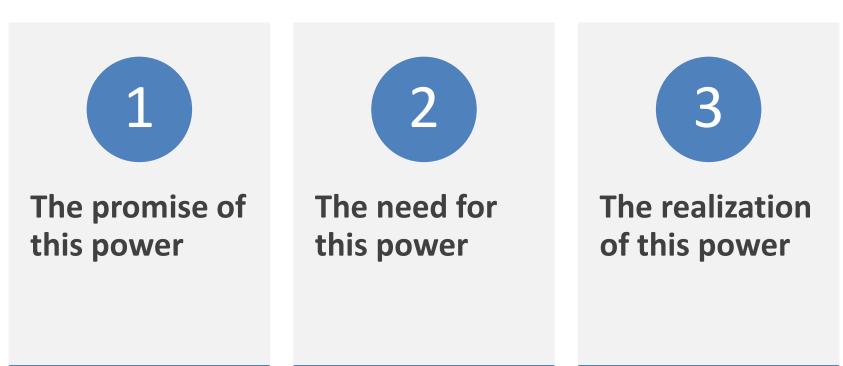
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" But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

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The promise of this power Acts 1:4-8

And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me; ⁵ for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now."

The promise of this power Acts 1:4-8

...⁶ Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" ⁷ And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. ⁸ But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me^[a]in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

The promise of this power Acts 1:4-8

- Jesus commanded His disciples to "wait for the promise of the Father."
- What does it mean to be "baptized with the Holy Spirit"?

Baptism with the water

vs. Baptism with the Holy Spirit

The need for this power Acts 1:9-11

Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. ¹⁰ And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, ¹¹ who also said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven."

The need for this power Acts 1:9-11

- Jesus was about to return to heaven.
- The disciples had a big job ahead of them.
 WH-VBC members have a big job ahead of them

The need for this power Acts 1:9-11

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Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a Sabbath day's journey. And when they had entered, they went up into the upper room where they were staying: Peter, James, John, and Andrew; Philip and Thomas; Bartholomew and Matthew; James the son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot; and Judas the son of James. ¹⁴ These all continued with one accord in prayer and supplication, with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with His brothers.

• In accordance with Jesus' instructions, they returned to Jerusalem.

- It was a "Sabbath day's journey" from the Mount of Olives

The group included:

- a. The eleven apostles
- b. Some women, including the mother of Jesus.
- c. Jesus' brothers..

• In accordance with Jesus' instructions, they returned to Jerusalem.

- They stayed in the upper room and prayed.

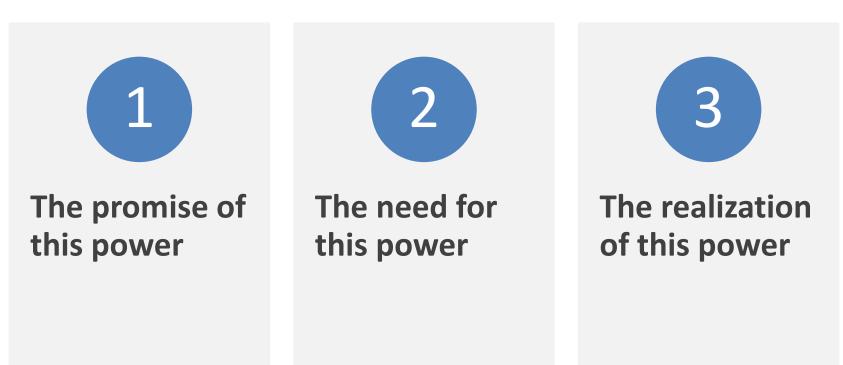
• Jesus had already promised that the Holy Spirit would come, so this was *a prayer of expectation*

• How do we receive the power of the Holy Spirit today?

*If you have trusted in Jesus as your Lord and Savior, then God's Holy Spirit lives in you (Romans 8:9; Galatians 3:2).

*In Ephesians 5:18, the apostle Paul said, *"Be not drunk with wine, but be filled with the Spirit."*

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Acts 1:8

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Prayer

 Dear Jesus Christ, I pledge to exalt You, Equip with Your words, and Evangelize the Lost. In Jesus' name, Amen.