

Wait For It

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"After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. ⁴On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: 'Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. ⁵For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' ⁶Then they gathered around him and asked him, 'Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?' ⁷He said to them: 'It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.'" (Acts 1:3-8 NIV)

We receive God's power by WAITING on Him.

"... 'Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about.'" (Acts 1:4 NIV)

We OVERCOME temptation by ACTIVATING the Holy Spirit through prayer.

"For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." (Acts 1:5 NIV)

"When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. ²Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. ³They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. ⁵Now there were staying in Jerusalem God-fearing Jews from every nation under heaven. ⁶When they heard this sound, a crowd came together in bewilderment, because each one heard their own language being spoken. ⁷Utterly amazed, they asked: 'Aren't all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸Then how is it that each of us hears them in our native language?'" (Acts 2:1-8 NIV)

We REVEAL God's glory by DEMONSTRATING His power in service to others.

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