April 24, 2024 – Wednesday

"The Acts of the Apostles"

1 Corinthians 10:11 NLT

These things happened to them as examples for us. They were written down to warn us who live at the end of the age.

Keep ______ to God's process!

Acts 1:1 NLT In my first book I told you, Theophilus, about everything Jesus began to do and teach,

Mark 16:19-20 NKJ

¹⁹ So then, after the Lord had spoken to them, He was received up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God.

²⁰ And they went out and preached everywhere, the Lord working with them and confirming the word through the accompanying signs. Amen.

John 16:12-13 NLT

¹² "There is so much more I want to tell you, but you can't bear it now (to understand, to receive). ¹³ When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own but will tell you what he has heard. He will tell you about the future.

1. Jesus proved the ______ of His resurrection!

Acts 1:2-3 NLT

² until the day he was taken up to heaven after giving his chosen apostles further instructions through the Holy Spirit.

³ During the forty days after he suffered and died, he appeared to the apostles from time to time, and he proved to them in many ways that he was actually alive. And he talked to them about the Kingdom of God.

2. Jesus promised the ______ of the Holy Spirit!

Acts 1:4-5 NKJ

⁴ 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." Acts 1:6-7 NKJ

⁶ Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?"

⁷And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times [chronos] or seasons [kairos] which the Father has put in His own authority.

3. Jesus gave the ______ of His return.

Matthew 24:36 NKJ

"But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only."

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 NLT

¹Now concerning how and when all this will happen, dear brothers and sisters, [a] we don't really need to write you.

 2 For you know quite well that the day of the Lord's return will come unexpectedly, like a thief in the night.

³When people are saying, "Everything is peaceful and secure," then disaster will fall on them as suddenly as a pregnant woman's labor pains begin. And there will be no escape.

⁴But you aren't in the dark about these things, dear brothers and sisters, and you won't be surprised when the day of the Lord comes like a thief.

⁵For you are all children of the light and of the day; we don't belong to darkness and night. ⁶ So be on your guard, not asleep like the others. Stay alert and be clearheaded.

Luke 19:13b ESV

... 'Engage in business until I come.'

John 4:35b NKJ

Behold, I say to you, lift up your eyes and look at the fields, for they are already white for harvest!

Acts 1:7-8 NKJ

⁷And 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 in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

Acts 1:9-11 NLT

⁹ After saying this, he was taken up into a cloud while they were watching, and they could no longer see him.

¹⁰ As they strained to see him rising into heaven, two white-robed men suddenly stood among them.

¹¹ "Men of Galilee," they said, "why are you standing here staring into heaven? Jesus has been taken from you into heaven, but someday he will return from heaven in the same way you saw him go!"

2 Corinthians 5:8 ESV

Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord.