

# **"LUKE TO THEOPHILUS: VOLUME II"**

## **ACTS 1:1-11**

### **I. THERE IS AN ORGANIC CONNECTION BETWEEN THE FOUR GOSPELS AND ACTS**

A. Luke Begins By Referring Back To His *Former Treatise* (1:1)

1. It Revealed What The Lord *Began To Do*

2. It Revealed What The Lord *Began To Teach*

B. Luke's Purpose Is To Record The Conclusion Of His Previous Treatise (1:2a)

### **II. THE SUMMARIZATION OF THE PREPARATIONS THAT MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR GOD'S PLAN FOR THE WORLD TO CONTINUE THROUGH A NEW THING CALLED THE CHURCH (1:2b-3)**

A. Christ Gave Corporate & Individual Commands To The Apostles

B. Christ Presented Himself Bodily Alive In The Flesh

C. Christ Gave Forty Days Of Infallible Proof That He Was Alive

D. Christ Spoke Of Things Pertaining To The Kingdom Of God

### **III. FOCUS ON TWO PARTICULAR TOPICS OF CONVERSATION THAT PREVAILED DURING THOSE FORTY DAYS OF PREPARATION (1:4-8)**

A. The Apostles Were Expressly Warned About The Critical Need For Them To Restrain Their Natural Impulses (1:4-5)

1. Stay In Jerusalem

2. Wait For The Promise Of The Father Regarding Another Member of The Trinity

- B. The Lord Corrected The Apostle's Desire For More Information About The Kingdom Than The Father Was Willing To Grant At That Time (1:6-8)

1. The Lord Gave Them A Promise: "You Will Receive More Enablement Than You've Ever Had Before"

2. The Lord Gave Them Instruction Regarding What Would Become A Universal Witness

**IV. AS THE APOSTLES WERE LISTENING & WATCHING, THE LORD LITERALLY & WITHOUT EFFORT, ASCENDED FROM THE EARTH WITH ARMS EXTENDED IN PERPETUAL BLESSING, CONTINUING VERTICALLY UNTIL A CLOUD RECEIVED HIM OUT OF THEIR SIGHT (1:9-11)**

- A. Two White Clad Angels Who Had Assumed Human Form Appeared In Their Midst (1:10)

- B. Two White Clad Angels Posed Both A Question & Further Necessary Information (1:11)