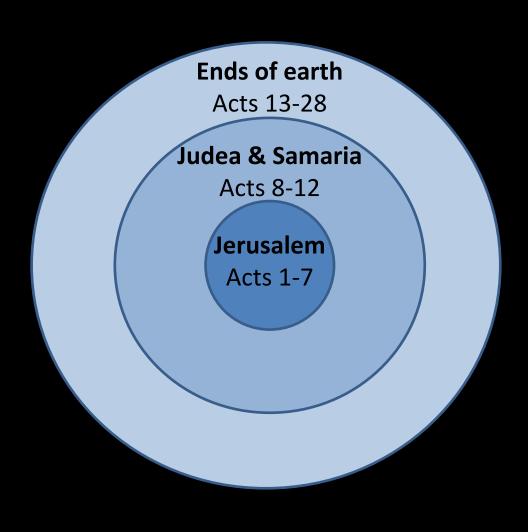
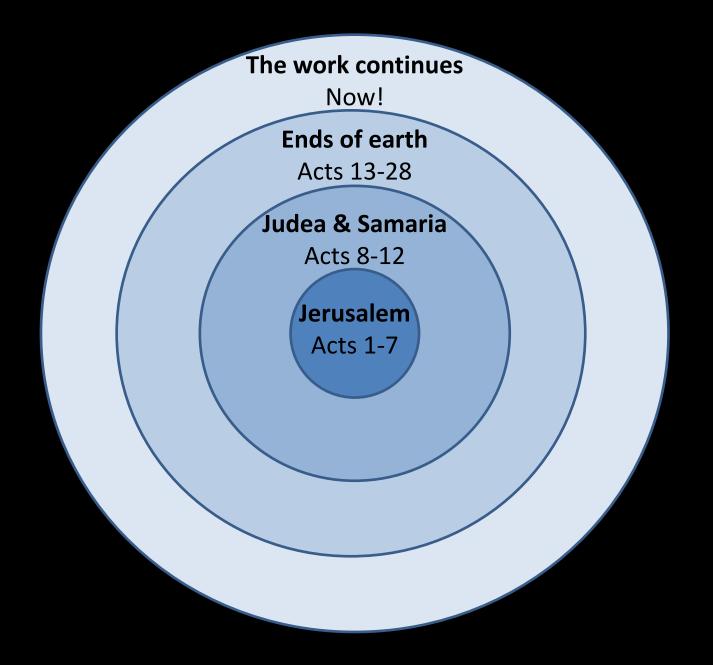


Acts 1 GETTING READY

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- Luke
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- Acts Ministry of Jesus from heaven

Luke 24v48-49:

You are witnesses of these things. ⁴⁹I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high."

1) Promise of the Spirit

V4-5: On 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. ⁵ For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

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1 Cor 12v13: For we were <u>all</u>

<u>baptized</u> by one Spirit so as to form one body—whether Jews or Gentiles, slave or free—and we were <u>all given</u> the one Spirit to drink.

2) Proclamation of the Gospel

V6: Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

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V7-8: He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. 8 But 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."



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4) Prayerfulness of People

V13-14: When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying...

¹⁴ They all joined together constantly in prayer...

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Will you join Jesus in his unfinished yet unstoppable work?