

## Mission Possible (continued)

Acts 1:1-11

### Introduction:

v 1-3. We saw foundational ideas. “The last words of Jesus.”

1. Our mission
2. Our message
3. Our men (authority)
4. Our means...The Holy Spirit

v 4-5. A new age is beginning. The baptism of the Holy Spirit will bring the “New Testament.”

v 6. This prompts a question. “Is the kingdom about to begin?”

v 7. “No. It is fixed for a later day.”

So how do we perceive ourselves?

The kingdom is commenced with us but not completed.

Now	but	not yet
Gentile	rather	than Jew
Spiritual	not	national
Invisible	not	material

v 8. But though we don't know **when** it will come, we know what we **are** to be doing, “witnesses...”

and we have a...

### 5. **Map:**

- Jerusalem (Ch. 1-7)
- Judea and Samaria (Ch. 8)
- The ends of the earth (Ch. 9-28)

v 9-11. But He **will** return and **will** establish His kingdom.

### Conclusion:

The church has a:

- Mission
- And a message
- And a basis of authority from the apostles
- And the means of the Holy Spirit
- And the map of the world
- We also have begun a new promised age or dispensation
  - The Age of the Church
  - The Age of Grace
  - The Age of the New Testament
- And we labor in hope knowing that Christ is coming