

THE PROMISE

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INTRODUCTION

Not called to be spectators but to make a difference in our world
Not just called, but also empowered

KEY POINT: God has what we need for the days we are in

TEXT: Acts 2:17-21

- **The Promise**

The last days: when God would begin to act to make right

A time marked by the outpouring of God's Spirit on people
ACTS 1:4-5

- **The Purpose**

The work of creation and re-creation:

The purpose of the word and the Spirit: Assemble and animate

Acts 1:8 - An empowering that unleashes the divine potential in our lives so that we can be witnesses for him

Experiencing the Promise

1. Begins with Surrender

Yielding our hearts to him

Repentance: a need for change

Being his witness by being in his way/purpose

2. Involves purposeful Seeking

Pursuing something truly needed (Luke 11:9-13)

Desire something greater

3. Requires learning to Stay until

Luke 24:29

Jesus knew that if we were going to serve his purpose, we needed the empowering of the Holy Spirit

RESPONSE: Lord, we need the empowerment of the Holy Spirit! We're here and we're waiting!