

# THE BOOK OF ACTS

November 4, 2018

Acts 1:9-12

## READ

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## QUESTIONS for REFLECTION

1. This passage primarily deals with the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ. In what four ways is this described (vv. 9-11)? What nuances are conveyed by each (comparing a couple of translations may be helpful)?
  - (1)
  - (2)
  - (3)
  - (4)
2. What is the purpose of the ascension (v. 11)? Where is Jesus going? How does this happen? (What is the actual process? Does Hebrews 11:5, KJV, add any insight?)
3. Read the other two ascension accounts in Mark 16:19 & Luke 24:50-53. Note any interesting details which are not included in Acts 1.
4. Having been translated into heaven, where, specifically, is Jesus?
  - Revelation 12:5
  - Mark 16:19
  - Acts 7:55-56
  - Revelation 3:21
5. What is the result of Jesus being in this specific place? What does God do?
  - John 17:5
  - Acts 5:31
  - Ephesians 1:20-23
  - Philippians 2:9
6. What is Jesus doing in heaven?

- John 14:2
- Ephesians 4:8 (two things)
- John 16:7
- Romans 8:34
- Hebrews 4:14-16
- 1 John 2:1
- Mark 16:20

7. What two important aspects of the Lord's return do the angels highlight (v. 11b, NIV)?

(1)

(2)

What, then, does Jesus' departure tell us about His second coming?

8. Why will Jesus come a second time?

(1) 1 Thessalonians 4:14-16

(2) 1 Corinthians 15:51-53; 1 Thessalonians 4:17; 1 John 3:2

9. What two reactions will there be to the Lord's return?

(1) Revelation 1:7

(2) 2 Thessalonians 1:10

10. What three attitudes should we possess concerning the Lord's return?

• Titus 2:13

• 2 Corinthians 5:1-4

• 2 Timothy 4:8

## **PERSONAL RESPONSE**

1. I will look for the Lord's appearing this week by . . .

2. I will long for the eternal order of things this week by . . .

3. I will love His appearing this week by . . .