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Act 7

Expanding the New Community

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- Acts 1:6-8

“clothed from on high with power”

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“Are you restoring the Kingdom of Israel now?”

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- Psalm 72, 89:1-4, 27-29, 35-37
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Is. 49:6 He says, "It is too small a thing that You should be My Servant To raise up the tribes of Jacob and to restore the preserved ones of Israel; I will also make You a light of the nation's So that My salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

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The time between Jesus' Ascension to Heaven and His return one day is to be marked out by the Presence & Power of the Father's Spirit

Qualification – “WHEN THE SPIRIT COMES UPON YOU”

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Is. 32:15-17 Until the Spirit is poured out upon us from on high, and the wilderness becomes a fertile field, and the fertile field is considered as a forest. Then justice will dwell in the wilderness and righteousness will abide in the fertile field. And the work of righteousness will be peace, and the service of righteousness, quietness and confidence forever.

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His Words are happening...

- *In Jesus' death and resurrection He has already been exalted as God's Anointed King & 1st of the Resurrection*
 - *And He has chosen His 12...representing the renewed Israel*
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Side note: Isaiah shares 3 stages for the outworking of the “new Exodus”

1. *Salvation for Jerusalem*
 2. *The reconstitution & reunification of Israel (all Judea & Samaria)*
 3. *The inclusion of the Gentiles within the people of God*
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- Acts 1:9-26



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Jesus the anointed King & Messiah of Israel fulfills God's promise to Abraham to reach the world THRU ISRAEL

- 1. The fulfillment of Isaiah = save Jerusalem, reconstitute Israel, and then light to the world*
 - 2. Replacing Judas*
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Closing thoughts:

- 1. Perhaps greatest calling = wait on God's Spirit*
 - 2. The Ascension = The Kingly rule of Daniel 7*
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