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Jesus' final instructions:

1. Wait for the promise of the Father, the Holy Spirit. *Acts 1:7*
2. Go and Tell *Acts 1:8*

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Judea & Samaria- nation and nearby region.

To the Ends of the Earth- all nations and people.

The angel's message:

1. Jesus will return.
2. Until then, they had a mission to carry out.

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*Luke 1:1–4 NLT Many people have set out to write accounts about the events that have been fulfilled among us. <sup>2</sup> They used the eyewitness reports circulating among us from the early disciples. <sup>3</sup> Having carefully investigated everything from the beginning, I also have decided to write an accurate account for you, most honorable Theophilus, <sup>4</sup> so you can be certain of the truth of everything you were taught.*

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**The man walked to his family.**

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**“The elderly man, leaning on his cane, purposefully struggled, step by step, making sure his accent up the hill would lead him to the loving arms of his faithful family, where he would shower his love, his devotion.”**

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*Acts 1:1-2 NLT In my first book I told you, Theophilus, about everything Jesus began to do and teach <sup>2</sup> until the day He was taken up to heaven after giving His chosen apostles further instructions through the Holy Spirit.*

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*Acts 1:3-5 NLT During the forty days after He suffered and died, He appeared to the apostles from time to time, and He proved to them in many ways that He was actually alive. And He talked to them about the Kingdom of God. <sup>4</sup> Once when He was eating with them, He commanded them, “Do not leave Jerusalem*

*until the Father sends you the gift He promised, as I told you before. <sup>5</sup> John baptized with water, but in just a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”*

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*Acts 1:6 NLT So when the apostles were with Jesus, they kept asking Him, “Lord, has the time come for you to free Israel and restore our kingdom?”*

*Acts 1:7-8 NLT He replied, “The Father alone has the authority to set those dates and times, and they are not for you to know.*

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*Matthew 24:36 NLT However, no one knows the day or hour when these things will happen, not even the angels in heaven or the Son Himself. Only the Father knows.*

**Jesus' final instructions:**

1. Wait for the promise of the Father, the Holy Spirit.

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*Acts 1:8 NLT But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”*

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*Acts 1:9-11 NLT After saying this, He was taken up into a cloud while they were watching, and they could no longer see Him. <sup>10</sup> As they strained to see Him rising into heaven, two white-robed men suddenly stood among them. <sup>11</sup> “Men of Galilee,” they said, “why are you standing here staring into heaven? Jesus has been taken from you into heaven, but someday He will return from heaven in the same way you saw Him go!”*

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