



But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven?

This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

Acts 1:8-11
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“Uncharted Territory”

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In 1804, Lewis and Clark set out to explore the lands of the Louisiana Purchase and find a _____ to the Pacific Ocean.

Instead of finding a river gently sloping toward the Pacific Ocean, they found the _____.

What do you do when you have to cross the Rocky Mountains and you’re carrying a _____?

At some point, we all realize that what got us _____ will not get us where we need to go.

“The world behind you is nothing like the world in front of you.” Tod Bolsinger

The Ascension of Jesus

After his resurrection, Jesus spent 40 days “giving _____ through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen.” (Acts 1:2)

The disciples expected Jesus to drive out the Romans and ascend the throne of _____.

Instead of ending his mission, Jesus told his disciples they would _____ it.

Jerusalem was not the end of their mission—it was the _____.

Not only did their new mission exceed anything they had done before, but they had to do it without _____!

Facing the Mountains

Instead of rushing to action, the disciples _____ and _____.

They also let go of their _____.

Letting go is often painful, but it is necessary for us to embrace our _____.

We can find our way in uncharted territory when we know our purpose.
#A2sermon

Action Steps

1. Identify the areas where you are walking into _____.
2. Clarify the _____ of your expedition.
3. Reflect, pray, and _____ for the Holy Spirit.