



Summer Speaker Series - Episode IV
"End of the Earth"

1. Main Scripture

Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit come on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." **Acts 1:6-8**

2. Background Information

- Chapter 1: Introduction
- Chapter 2-7: Jerusalem
- Chapter 8-12: All Judea and Samaria
- Chapter 13-28: End of the Earth

Once when Jesus 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. John baptized with water, but in just a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." **Acts 1:4-5**

3. It takes time! It takes time for people to put down their own desires and it takes time for people to understand God's good will.

To ask him, "Are you the one who is to come, or should we expect someone else?" **Matthew 11:3**

"Where is your faith?" he asked his disciples. In fear and amazement they asked one another, "Who is this? He commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him." **Luke 8: 25**

Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. "Never, Lord!" he said. "This shall never happen to you!" **Matthew 16:22**

Then the mother of Zebedee's sons came to Jesus with her sons and, kneeling down, asked a favor of him. **Matthew 20:20**

A dispute also arose among them as to which of them was considered to be greatest. **Luke 22: 24**

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."
Matthew 28: 18-20

Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. **Acts 2: 46-47**

On that day a great persecution broke out against the church in Jerusalem, and all except the apostles were scattered throughout Judea and Samaria. **Acts 8:1**

4. God values this learning process and will finally work things out!

The zeal of the Lord Almighty will accomplish this. **Isaiah 9:7**

5. Application: Here is the end of the Earth!

For when I preach the gospel, I cannot boast, since I am compelled to preach. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel!
1 Corinthians 9:16 (ESV)

All scripture is from the New International Version unless otherwise noted.