

Acts Period

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A MYSTERY?**



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For those who Rightly Divide the Word of Truth

We would say:

**Not all the New Testament Reveals
what the Old Testament Conceals**

NEW TESTAMENT (27)

Acts Period (19)

**Matthew, Mark, Luke, Revelation, Acts
James, Jude, 1 Peter, 2 Peter, 1 John, 2 John, 3 John
Galatians, 1 Thess, 2 Thess, Hebrews, 1 Cor, 2 Cor, Romans**

Post-Acts Period (8)

**John,
1 Tim, Titus, Philippians, Philemon, Ephesians, Colossians, 2 Tim**

LUKE



MATTHEW

JOHN

MARK

2000 years ago

**Jesus started
His earthly
ministry**

A.D. 26

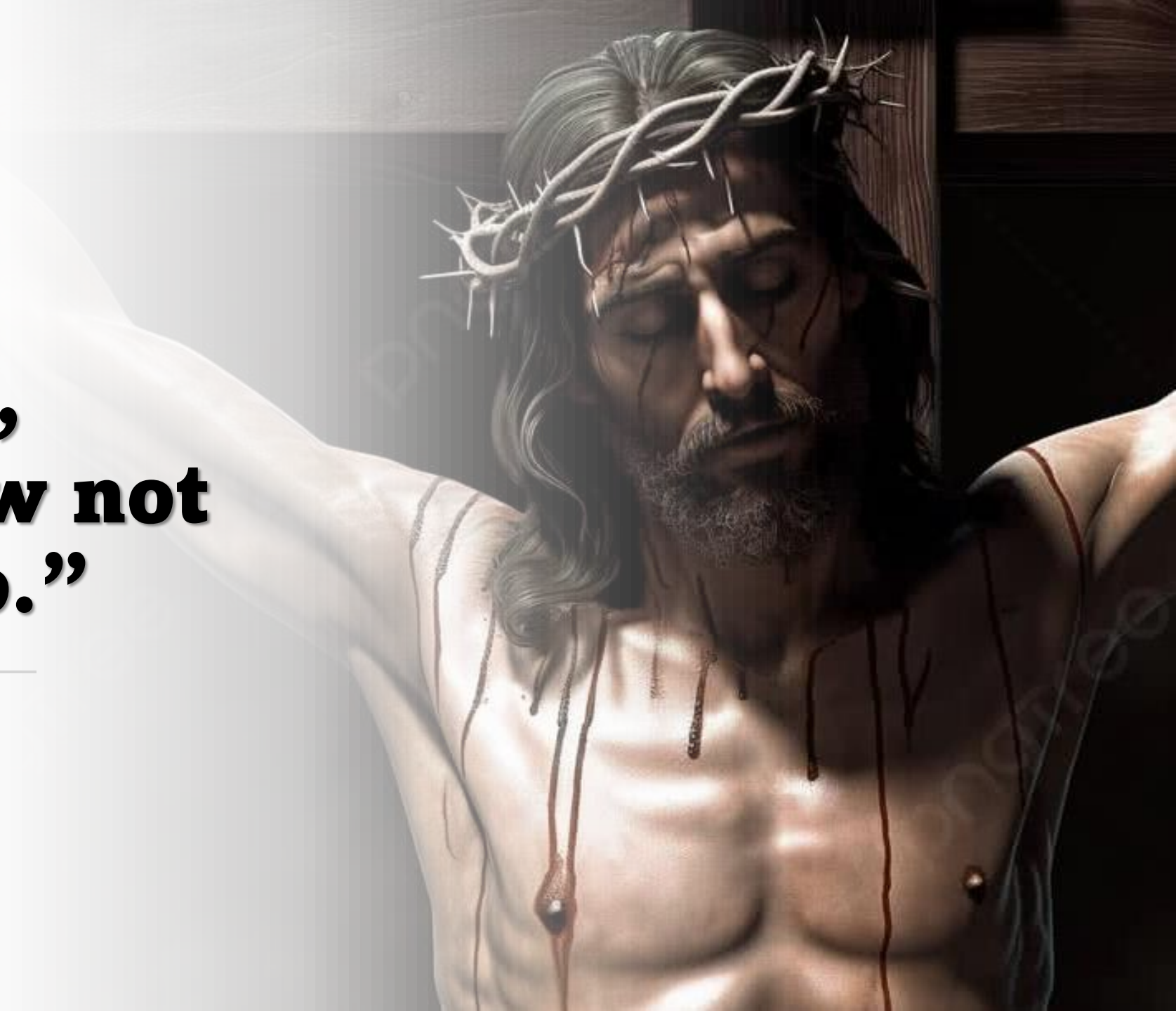




Luke 24:27

And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, He expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning Himself.

**“Father
forgive them,
for they know not
what they do.”**



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**THE
ACTS**

Read Acts 1:1-14

(Luke 25:1-14) ?

Acts begins at Acts 1:15

Luke 24:21

*But we trusted that it had been He which should have **redeemed Israel**: and beside all this, today is the **third day** since these things were done. (He is **legally dead!**)*

Acts 1:6 (Luke 25:6)

*When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time **restore again the kingdom to Israel?***

Luke 24:47-53

*Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day: ⁴⁷ and **that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.** ⁴⁸ **And ye are witnesses of these things.** ⁴⁹ **And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.***

*⁵⁰ And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them. ⁵¹ And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he **was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.** ⁵² And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy: ⁵³ and were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen.*

Mark 16:9-20

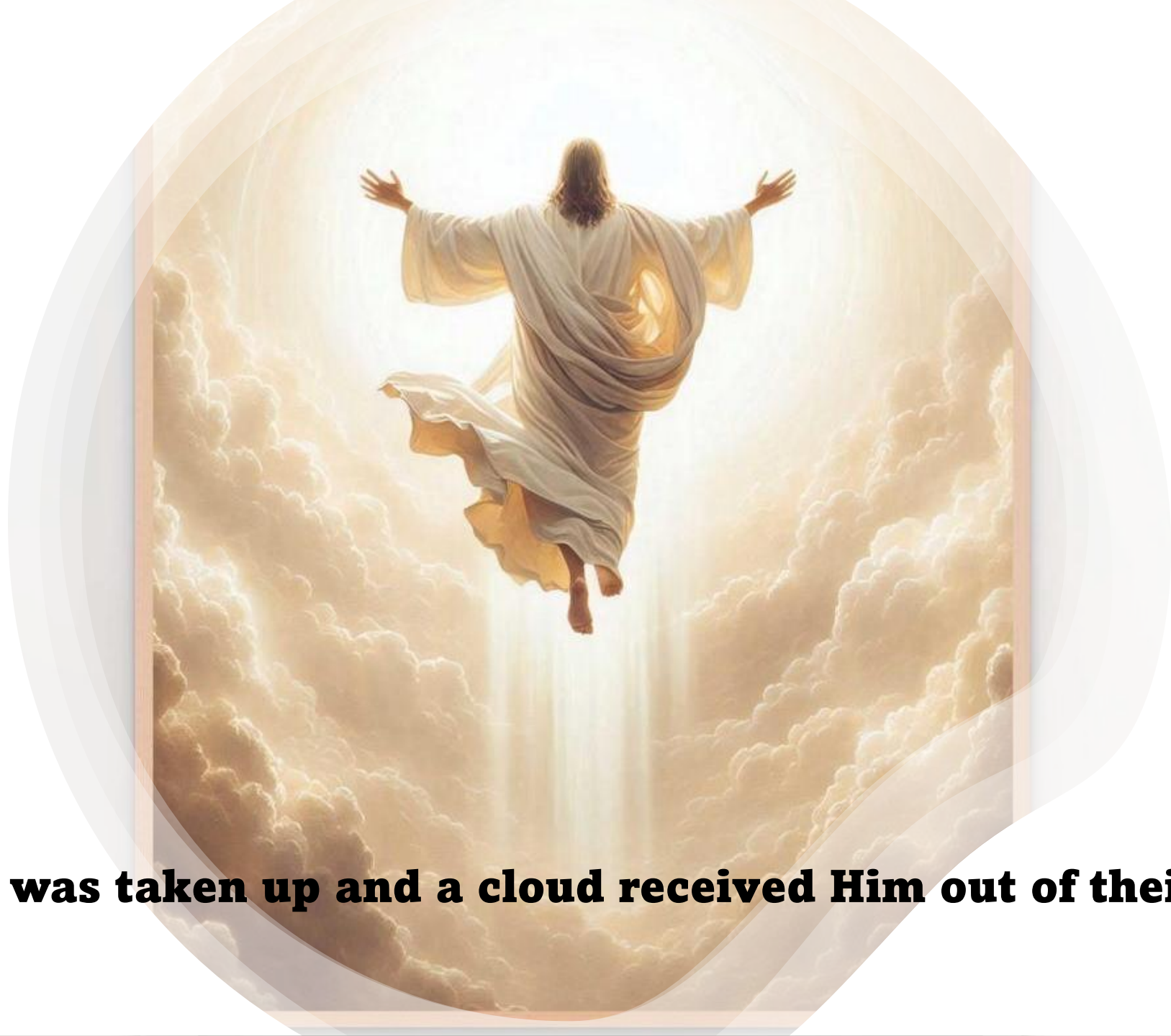
¹⁴ Afterward he appeared unto the eleven as they sat at meat, and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen. ¹⁵ And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. ¹⁶ He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. ¹⁷ And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; ¹⁸ they shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

Matt 28:16-20

*Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them. ¹⁷ And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted. ¹⁸ And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. ¹⁹ **Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: ²⁰ teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, even unto the end of the world. Amen.***

Acts 1:7-8

*⁷And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power. ⁸But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: **and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judæa, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth.***



He was taken up and a cloud received Him out of their sight

These were after the cross

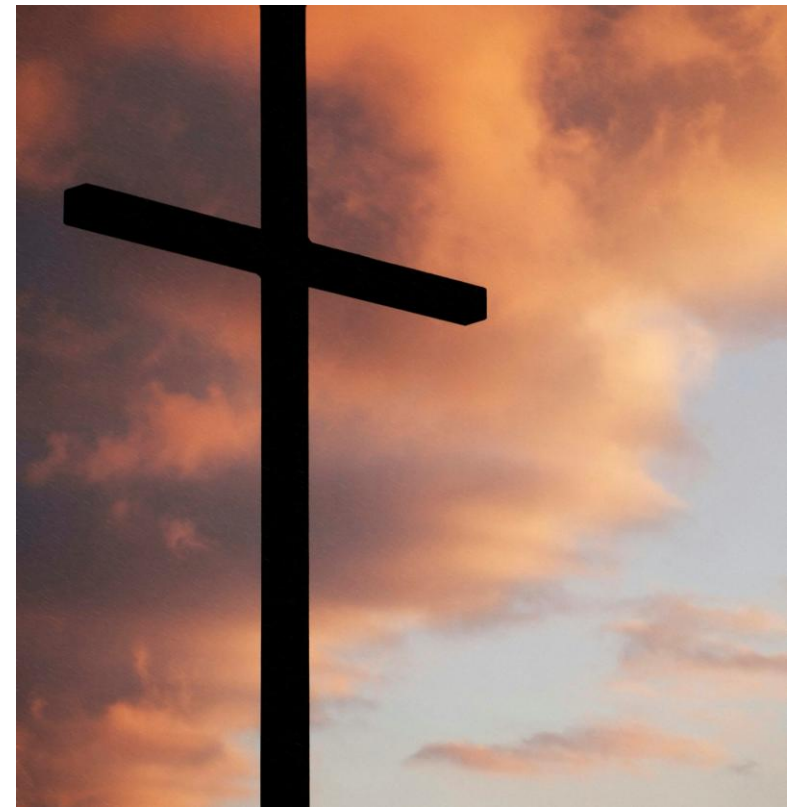


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**THE
ACTS**

What about before the cross?

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**THE
ACTS**

Matthew, Mark, and Luke

**Speak of the Ministry of the Twelve Disciples/Apostles
as going all the way to the **return of Christ****

Acts

(Present Age)

Pre-Return

God knew that He had a secret dispensation of grace for the nations that would require a **deferment of Christ's return for Israel. This is God's game of chess with Satan.**

Present Age

Israel's restoration and redemption were **deferred so that God could enact His secret part of His plan: The saving of Gentiles and the calling out of the heavenly Body of Christ.**

The Greek form “*äv (an)*” is a particle of condition.

G302 occurs 190 times in 172 verses in the KJV.

It is translated 79 times and **not translated** 111 times.

It is a contraction for **G1437 (έáv)** “**ean**” which occurs **276** times denotes indefiniteness or uncertainty.

These words express an abundance of latitude in the actions of God and men that are conditional and indefinite and interdependent:

If, peradventure, whosoever, where, when, wither, till

The parables contained mysteries revealed concerning the kingdom of heaven before, during, and after the Acts period

Matt 13:35

**I will open my mouth in parables;
I will utter things which have been kept secret
from the foundation of the world.**

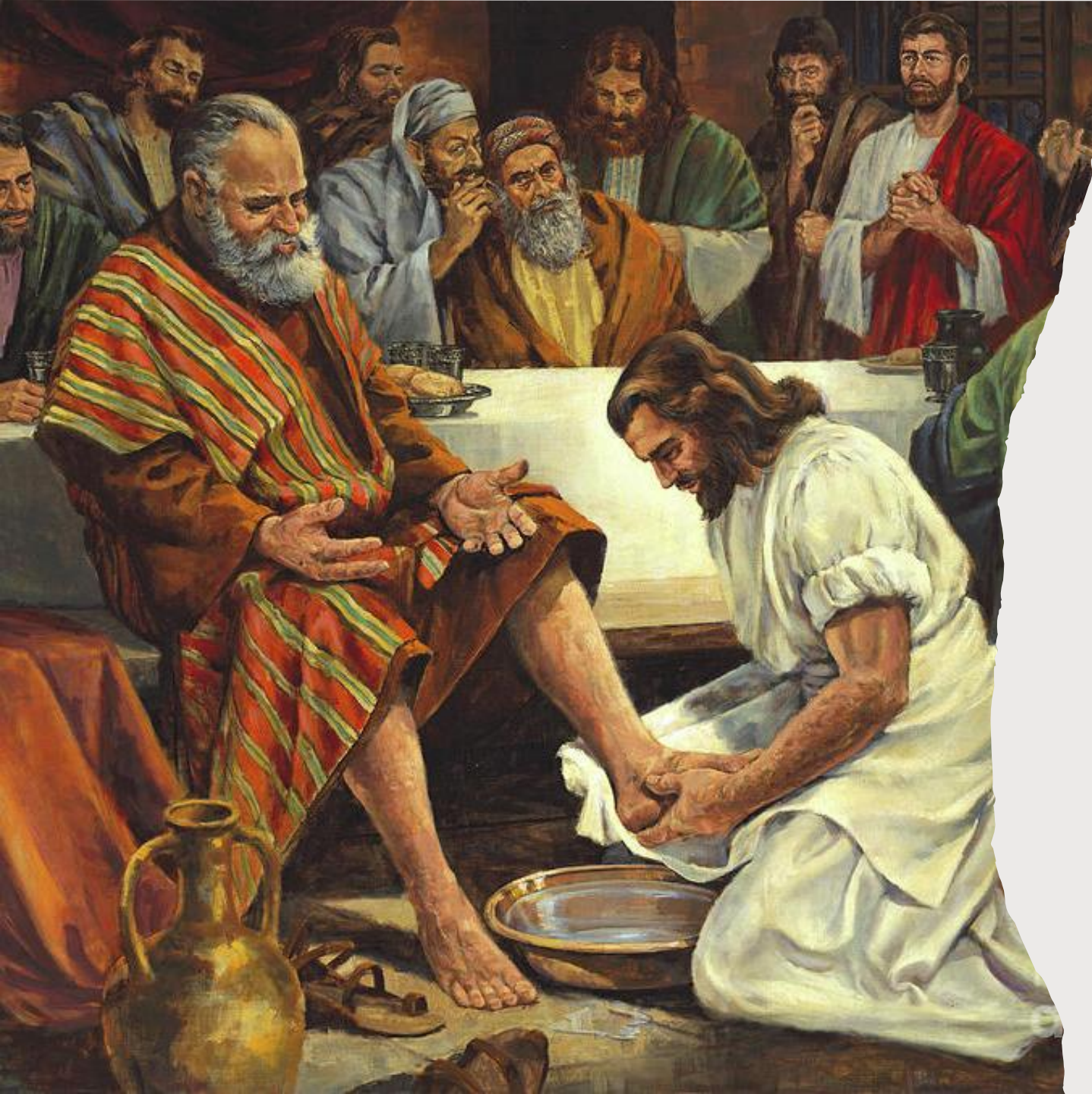
The Sermon on the Mount

Matthew 5,6,7

About a future pre-Millennial ministry of the Twelve includes Tribulation and prayer (Lord's Prayer) and the destruction of a house built on sand

Luke 6:20-38

“Now” portions of the Sermon on the Mount



John 15:26-27

But when the Comforter is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father,

He shall testify of me: ²⁷ and ye also shall bear witness, because ye have been with me from the beginning.

The Acts of the Holy Spirit.



John 16:1-28

**Speaks of an
Immediate
Hereafter Ministry**

SECOND INVITATION

Matt 22:1-14

*And Jesus answered and spake unto them again by parables, and said, ² The kingdom of heaven is like unto a certain king, which made a marriage for his son, ³ and sent forth his servants to call them that were bidden to the wedding: and they would not come. ⁴ **Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden, Behold, I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and my fatlings are killed, and all things are ready: come unto the marriage. ⁵ But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to his farm, another to his merchandise: ⁶ and the remnant took his servants, and entreated them spitefully, and slew them. ⁷ But when the king heard thereof, he was wroth: and he sent forth his armies, and destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city. .***

Another Harvest

Matt 21:33-46

Hear another parable:

⁴¹ *They say unto him, **He will miserably destroy those wicked men, and will let out his vineyard unto other husbandmen, which shall render him the fruits in their seasons.*** ⁴² *Jesus saith unto them, Did ye never read in the scriptures, **The stone which the builders rejected, the same is become the head of the corner: this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?*** ⁴³ *Therefore say I unto you, **The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof.***

Mysteries of the Kingdom

Matt 13:11

And the disciples came, and said unto him, **Why** speakest thou unto them in parables? ¹¹ He answered and said unto them, Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it is not given.

Luke 8:9-10

And his disciples asked him, saying, **What** might this parable be?
¹⁰ And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand.

Matt 23:39

Behold, your house is left unto you desolate. (A.D. 70?)

³⁹ For I say unto you, Ye shall not see me henceforth,

till (*heos an*) ye shall say,

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

The people had already said this twice!

Matt 21:9 First of two entrances into Jerusalem from Bethpage (Sixth day before)

Mark 11:9-10 Second of two entrances into Jerusalem from Bethany (Fourth day before)

Luke 19:38 Second of two entrances into Jerusalem From Bethany (Fourth day before)

Matt 9:15, Mark 2:20, Luke 5:35

And Jesus said unto them, Can the children of the bridechamber mourn, as long as the bridegroom is with them? but the days will come, when the **bridegroom shall be taken from them**, and then shall they fast.

Matt 10:5-23

Twelve sent forth

20. But the **Spirit** of your Father Which speaketh in you

Matt 13:7 Mark 4:7, Matt 8:7

Sowing of the Good News

⁷And some fell among thorns; and the thorns sprung up, and choked them:

Matt 16:19

And I will give unto thee (Peter) the **keys of the kingdom of heaven:**
and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven:
and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven.

Matt 19:28

And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you,
That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the
Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, **ye also shall sit upon
twelve thrones,** judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

**As we see the
BIG PICTURE**



**As we RIGHTLY DIVIDE
THE WORD OF TRUTH**

APPROVED

The Twelve

Acts Ministry

Future Ministry

Paul

Acts Ministry

Post-Acts Ministry

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The Two Ministries of the Apostle Paul

Acts Period:

Mystery of Christ

Post-Acts Period:

Mystery of the Body of Christ



Acts Ministry Twelve

Known

Future Ministry Twelve

Known

Acts Ministry Twelve

Known

Acts Ministry Paul

Unknown

Post-Acts Ministry Paul

Unknown

Future Ministry Twelve

Known

The Acts period was not a mystery

The Acts ministry of the Twelve was anticipated

Paul's Acts ministry was unknown before

**The post-Acts period and ministry of Paul
were definitely kept secret**

**Not all the New Testament Reveals
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**Part of the New Testament
was itself concealed
until it was revealed**

Acts (**Post-Acts Age**) **Pre-Return**

Mysteries

Mysteries within Mysteries



**Why are there
mysteries in
the Bible?**

**Because God
has an
adversary.**

**Whenever
Israel fails**

**A mystery is
revealed**





**The Bible
is the greatest
mystery thriller
ever written**