SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2021

MORNING MESSAGE "Acts – The Valuable Ascension of Jesus" Acts 1:9-11

- I. THE VALUABLE ABSENCE (v.9)
 - A. The place of the absence
 - 1. Luke 24:50, "And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them"
 - 2. Acts 1:12, "Then returned they unto Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet"
 - B. The procedure of the absence
 - 1. Acts 1:2, "Until the day in which he was taken up"
 - 2. Acts 1:9, "while they beheld, he was taken up"
- II. THE VALUABLE ARRIVAL (vv.10-11a)
 - A. The place of the arrival
 - 1. Acts 1:10, "And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven"
 - 2. Acts 1:11, "Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven?"
 - 3. Luke 24:51, "he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven"
 - 4. Mark 16:19, "So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven"
 - 5. 1 Peter 3:22, "who is gone into heaven"
 - B. The purpose of the arrival
 - 1. To release the power and presence of the Holy Spirit
 - a. John 16:7, "It is expedient for you that I go away; for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you"
 - b. John 20:17, "Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father"
 - 2. To represent us before the throne of God
 - a. Romans 8:34, "Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, ye rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us"
 - 3. To rule the world
 - a. 1 Peter 3:22, "Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities, and powers being made subject unto him"
- III. THE VALUABLE ANNOUNCEMENT (v.11b)

- A. The person of the announcement
- B. The promise of the announcement
 - 1. Luke 24:52, "And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy"