

**Jesus Gives His Final Words to His Apostles**  
**Acts 1:6-7: NOT YOURS**

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**REVIEW**

1:1-3 – Review of Luke's First Volume

1:4-5 – Jesus Gives His Final Words to His Apostles #1: STAY & WAIT

- Spoken to the 11 apostles
- Told to be staying in Jerusalem (as a group) and waiting for the promise of the Father

**THE APOSTLES SPEAK TO JESUS**

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**1. The Apostles Gather Close to Jesus**

**2. The Apostles Plead with Jesus**

**3. The Apostles Question Jesus**

- At This \_\_\_\_\_ (chronos – χρόνος)
- Fully \_\_\_\_\_ (to Health)
- The \_\_\_\_\_ (their anticipation)
- To \_\_\_\_\_ (as promised in the OT & Jesus' teaching)

**JESUS RESPONDS TO THE APOSTLES**

Acts 1:7 And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority.

**1. You Don't Have Access: It is not given to you to know**

**2. What You Don't Have Access To:**

- Limitation #1: The Times (chronos – χρόνος)**  
\_\_\_\_\_ Time | \_\_\_\_\_ of Time
- Limitation #2: The Seasons (kairos – καιρός)**  
\_\_\_\_\_ of Time | \_\_\_\_\_ of Time

Regarding the future, God HAS given us access to – knowledge of – certain key events to look for, but we are not given specific times or even specific time periods as to when these will happen.

**1 Thes 5:1-11** <sup>1</sup> But concerning the times (chronos) and the seasons (kairos), brethren, you have no need that I should write to you.

**3. What You Should Refuse Access To (scope creep):**

- Ps 131:1** LORD, my heart is not haughty, Nor my eyes lofty. Neither do I concern myself with great matters, Nor with things too profound for me.
- Rom 16:19** For your obedience has become known to all. Therefore I am glad on your behalf; but I want you to be wise in what is good, and simple concerning evil.
- 1 Thes 4:11** that you also aspire to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you,
- 1 Pet 4:15** But let none of you suffer as a murderer, a thief, an evildoer, or as a busybody in other people's matters.
- Pro 14:23** In all labor there is profit, But idle chatter leads only to poverty.

**4. Why You Don't Have Access:**

- The \_\_\_\_\_
- Appointed Access
- To \_\_\_\_\_

**God gives us access to only a limited amount of information. He has revealed certain things through creation, and more specifics through revelation (Scripture). Everything else is reserved by God for Himself.**

**A BRIEF LOOK AT WHAT JESUS DIDN'T SAY:**

- 1) Jesus did not reprimand the apostles for the question.
- 2) Jesus did not discount the apostles' question.
- 3) Jesus did not correct the apostle's question.
- 4) Jesus stated only that it was not given them to know the time of the restoration of the kingdom to Israel.
- 5) God has clearly communicated that His promises to Abraham, and more specifically David, regarding the people of Israel, and the kingdom and lineage of David, are unconditional.
- 6) We affirm dispensationalism, which takes the Bible at face value, and which understands the promises of God to Israel, as presented in the Bible, as promises God will keep. We do not discard or spiritualize them.