



# THE ROYAL TASK

URGENT TILL CHRIST RETURNS  
Acts 1:9-11

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1. Keep \_\_\_\_\_ (v.9)

**Acts 1:9** *And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.*

**10** *And while they were gazing into heaven as he went, behold, two men stood by them in white robes,*

**11** *and said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven." (ESV)*

2. Stay \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.10-11a)

3. Sense \_\_\_\_\_ (v.11b)

# Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **Revelation 1:11-20**. What does this post-resurrection, glorified, and exalted depiction of Christ do to change the way you view evangelism? How can it help motivate you in your calling to share the gospel?
2. Read **Philippians 2:3-11**. How can a consideration of Christ's "humiliation" in the incarnation motivate you to give yourself to the task of evangelism?
3. Read **Ephesians 1:15-23**. Why is there a special joy in being the instrument God uses to bring people into a right relationship with Christ? What aspects of this passage excite you about seeing the people you've shared the gospel with added to our church?
4. Read **Colossians 4:2-6**. What specific "open doors" can you be praying for? Write out a prayer that personalizes and specifies Paul's prayer in this passage.

## This Week's Bible Reading Schedule

**September 8<sup>th</sup>**  
Prov. 13-14 & 1Cor. 16

**September 9<sup>th</sup>**  
Prov. 15-16 & 2Cor. 1

**September 10<sup>th</sup>**  
Prov. 17-18 & 2Cor. 2

**September 11<sup>th</sup>**  
Prov. 19-20 & 2Cor. 3

**September 12<sup>th</sup>**  
Prov. 21-22 & 2Cor. 4

**September 13<sup>th</sup>**  
Prov. 23-24 & 2Cor. 5

**September 14<sup>th</sup>**  
Prov. 25-27 & 2Cor. 6

**September 15<sup>th</sup>**  
Prov. 28-29 & 2Cor. 7

## This Week's Compass 20/20 Discussion Question

- Read **John 9:4-5**. How can the urgency of Christ in this text be applied to our current efforts to strengthen Compass, plant more churches and establish Compass Bible Institute?

The following related sermons are also available for downloading or streaming on the Focal Point Website ([FocalPointMinistries.org](http://FocalPointMinistries.org)).

- Msg. 10-03 – **Preparing & Being Prepared for the Return of Christ**
- Msg. 14-16 – **Teaming Up to Prepare Our Generation**
- Msg. 08-16 – **Why It's All Worth It**
- Msg. 11-23 – **Envisioning the End**
- Msg. 17-20 – **Loving God's Gracious Patience**
- Msg. 16-03 – **The Fear of Being Unprepared**
- Msg. 13-15 – 13-20 **Presenting Christ** (a five-part series)

## This Sermon's Social Media Hashtag

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**CompassChurch**



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Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

- Anderson, Robert. **The Lord from Heaven**. Kregel Publications, 1978.
- Carson, D. A.. **Telling the Truth: Evangelizing Postmoderns**. Zondervan, 2000.
- Habermas, Gary R. **The Risen Jesus and Future Hope**. Rowman & Littlefield, 2003.
- Harrison, William. **Hope Triumphant**. Moody Press, 1966.
- Hindson, Ed and Mark Hitchcock. **Can We Still Believe in the Rapture?** Harvest House, 2018.
- Lutzer, Erwin. **Your Eternal Reward: Triumph & Tears at the Judgment Seat of Christ**. Moody Press, 1998.
- MacArthur, John. **The Second Coming: Signs of Christ's Return and the End of the Age**. Crossway Books, 2006.
- Mayhue, Richard L. **Snatched Before the Storm! A Case for Pretribulationism**. Kress Christian Publications, 2001.
- Nash, Ronald H. **Is Jesus the Only Savior?** Zondervan, 1994.
- Olander, David. **The Greatness of the Rapture: The Pre-Day of the Lord Rapture**. Tyndale Seminary Press, 2009.
- Owen, John. **The Person of Christ: Declaring a Glorious Mystery – God and Man**. Christian Heritage, 2015.
- Ryrie, Charles Caldwell. **What You Should Know about the Rapture**. Moody Press, 1981.
- Stowell, Joseph. **Eternity: Reclaiming a Passion for What Endures**. Chicago: Moody Press, 1995.
- Wilkinson, Bruce. **A Life God Rewards: Why Everything You Do Today Matters Forever**. Multnomah Books, 2002.