

"A NEW CAPACITY AND CALLING"

Series: "FAMOUS LAST WORDS", Part 1 of 2 Sunday, August 18, 2024, at 9:00 and 11:00 AM

Text: Acts 1:4-9

Big Idea: The presence of God's empowering Spirit in us provides us with a new capacity and a new calling to represent Jesus well.

Acts 1:4-9, On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit." So when they met together, they 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 comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

I. A NEW CAPACITY

Acts 1:8a, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you."

Matthew 28:18-20, "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."

II. A NEW CALLING.

Acts 1:8, "But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."