

# UNLEASHED!

## DAY 2— Align with Kingdom Priorities

Acts 1:6-8

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### *Time Alone with God*

#### Prayer

#### Explore the Word

1. Read Acts 1:6–8. What priority did the disciples have on their minds?
2. What priority did Jesus have for His disciples?
3. What priorities take up most of your energy?

#### Insights from Ellen White:

Before ascending to heaven, Christ gave His disciples their commission. He told them that they were to be the executors of the will in which He bequeathed to the world the treasures of eternal life. You have been witnesses of My life of sacrifice in behalf of the world, He said to them. You have seen My labors for Israel. And although My people would not come to Me that they might have life, although priests and rulers have done unto Me as they listed, although they have rejected Me, they shall have still another opportunity of accepting the Son of God. You have seen that all who come to Me confessing their sins, I freely receive. Him that cometh to Me I will in no wise cast out. To you, My disciples, I commit this message of mercy. It is to be given to both Jews and Gentiles—to Israel, first, and then to all nations, tongues, and peoples. All who believe are to be gathered into one church. (*The Acts of the Apostles*, pp. 27, 28)

#### Prayer Focus

Surrender your personal priorities to Jesus as Lord. Ask God to make His kingdom your priority!

### *Family/Friend Circle*

#### Connect Activity

Invite everyone to stand up and close their eyes. With all eyes closed, organize yourselves in a straight line without touching each other. You may use only your voices to form a line. After you form your line, open your eyes. How did you do?

#### Prayer for the Holy Spirit

Pray together, “Oh Lord, open our eyes by the Holy Spirit so we can be united in Your mission for us.”

#### Explore the Word

1. Read Acts 1:6–8. Compare James and John’s request in Mark 10:35–37 with the disciples’ question in Acts 1:6. What theme occupied the disciples’ minds?
2. Read Acts 1:7. What does Jesus’ response to the disciples say to your family about your concerns for the future?

Insights from Ellen White:

The gospel commission is the great missionary charter of Christ's kingdom. The disciples were to work earnestly for souls, giving to all the invitation of mercy. They were not to wait for the people to come to them; they were to go to the people with their message. (*The Acts of the Apostles*, p. 28)

### **Prayer Focus**

Make a circle on your knees in prayer. Unite in asking God to give you His heart for His priorities. Ask for His promise of the Holy Spirit so that you may be His witnesses wherever you go.