

Icebreakers:

1. Did you ever take a memorable road-trip as a kid with your family? Where did you go and what did you see?
2. Do you tend to be a patient or impatient person? What circumstances cause you to feel impatient?

Sermon Summary: It was only natural for the disciples to want God's Happy Ending for the world immediately – they'd been through so much! But Jesus challenged them to be patient, for they had work to do first. The good news was that they'd have help along the way, and their happy ending was soon to come.

Discussion Questions:

1. What events or circumstances cause your heart to ache for the healing that is to come in God's "Happy Ending" for the world?
2. What do you most look forward to experiencing in God's Kingdom?

\*There is WORK to be done FIRST

3. What specifically could the first disciples "bear witness" to about Jesus? How is what we know about Jesus a little bit different?
4. Take a minute with your group and "bear witness" of something that YOU have come to know personally about Jesus – how did you learn it?
5. Who is someone you know who needs to know what you have come to know about Jesus? How could you reach out to them this week?

\*There is HELP for the TASK ahead

6. What kind of "power" did the Holy Spirit give the first disciples as they bore witness about Jesus to the people in their world? Is the power available to us exactly the same? If not, how is it different?
7. What kind of help do YOU need most from the Holy Spirit to adequately bear witness about Jesus in your life?
8. How can we become MORE acquainted with the Holy Spirit in our day-by-day experiences?

\*Your Happy Ending is WAITING for you

9. Does it help to know that the healing you're longing for is waiting for you when the work is over? If so, how?
10. How can we "daydream" about the coming Kingdom in a way that doesn't stop us from engaging in the work Jesus left us to do before it comes?

# ROGUE MESSIAH

## Getting to Know Jesus & Love Him

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## Are We There Yet?

Acts 1:1-9

Introduction: Jesus's disciples were like kids on a long car-trip – they wanted to know how close they were to the Happy Ending.

### Jesus's Final Message to His Disciples:

▪ **There is \_\_\_\_\_ to be done \_\_\_\_\_.** (Acts 1:8b)  
⇒ **Bear Witness = \_\_\_\_\_ the world what you \_\_\_\_\_ about me.**

▪ **There is \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_ ahead.** (Acts 1:8a)  
⇒ \_\_\_\_\_ through the \_\_\_\_\_.

▪ **Your Happy Ending is WAITING for you.** (Acts 1:7)  
⇒ **Not \_\_\_\_\_, only \_\_\_\_\_.**

Conclusion: **It's only natural to get impatient while waiting for the healing our hearts desire – but take heart, your Happy Ending is coming, and keep busy – others need to hear and know what you know.**