



I. Mandate #1 - Confident Proof [Assurance] (1:3)

- A. We must be convinced of who Christ is!
- B. Our greatest proof is the resurrection as he promised!
- C. Our message to the world!
- D. Without it our preaching is in vain (I Cor. 15:14)
- E. "If you're not convinced, you're not contagious"

II. Mandate #2 - Consuming Power [Source] (1:4-5)

- A. The promise of the Counselor (parakletos) (John 14 - 16)
- B. The Holy Spirit is the source:
 - i. The Fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22,23)
 - ii. The Gifts of the Spirit
- C. The Acts of the Holy Spirit (Acts 2 - 16)

III. Mandate #3 - Consistent Profession [Goal] (1:8)

- A. The Grand Commission (Matt. 28:18 - 20 + Acts 1:8) (insert slide after this)
- B. The word "witnesses" = Matyrios = willing to die for truth.
- C. Starting at home and then all around the world.

IV. Mandate #4 - Constant Preparation [Mindset] (1:9 - 11, 6,7)

- A. What about time? = chronos = human time (vs. 6)
- B. Not for you to know the moments = Kairos = God time (vs. 7)
- C. Jesus ascended into heaven (vs. 9) (Rom. 8:34)
- D. The two men in white robes said:
 - i. "Same Jesus"
 - ii. "will come back in the same way" (vs. 11)

Grand Commission (show on screen at appropriate time with colors)

Matthew 28:18 - 20 + Acts 1:8

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me"
Therefore
You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you;
Go and you will be my witnesses and make disciples,
Baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit,
And teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you
In Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth
And surely I am with you always to the very ends of the age."