

## UNDERSTANDING THE TRANSITIONAL NATURE OF ACTS Pt. 2

### A. AN INTRODUCTION TO THE BOOK OF ACTS

### B. AN EXPLANATION OF THE TRANSITIONS IN ACTS

1. From a \_\_\_\_\_ emphasis to a \_\_\_\_\_ emphasis.

- What was the great hope of Israel in the O.T.?
- What was the primary emphasis of Christ's ministry in the Gospels?
- Though Christ predicted that He would build His \_\_\_\_\_ (Mt.16:18), the disciples were still anticipating the establishment of the earthly \_\_\_\_\_ when the book of Acts begins (Acts 1:2-7)
- What is the blessed hope of the Church?
- Did Peter re-offer the Kingdom in Acts 3?

**2. From a Jewish national \_\_\_\_\_ (synagogue-type fellowship) to a Jew-Gentile-believer-as-one \_\_\_\_\_ (church-type fellowship).**

- Compare Matthew 10:5-7 with Mt. 28:18-20; Mark 16:15; Acts 1:8
- Did the early Church respond well to the GC? (Acts 8:1-4; Acts 10:1-11:19)
- Did they catch on to the GC?
- What transition needed to occur in the thinking of these Christians? (1 Corinthians 12:13; Galatians 3:26-28; Ephesians 2:11-18, 3:2-8)

**3. From an Old Testament \_\_\_\_\_ emphasis (with minimal grace dealings) to a New Testament \_\_\_\_\_ emphasis (with maximum grace dealings).**

- Did Peter need to grow in grace?
- Did Paul need to stay grace-oriented?
- What can you learn from all this?