

## James Davis Educational/Library Memorial Fund ■ Eighteenth Year

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In this eighteenth year, we continue with our 2021 annual theme: "VICTORY OVER EVIL, JESUS WILL REVEAL IT" series. In the past four months we have published these series, "Revelation," "Crowds," "Conflict" and "Blueprints."

The events of Ascension and Pentecost often feel a bit forgotten during these Christian holidays, which includes the 50 days after the Resurrection. These first 40 days before Ascension day, we find him teaching that He is not a ghost but alive. Can we see Him saying, "Put your finger here, and look at my hands. Put your hand into the wound in my side. Don't be faithless any longer. Believe" and "It is best for you that I go away... If I go away, then I will send him [the Comforter] to you [C John 20:26-29; 16:7 NLT].

As we observe **Ascension Day**, the Day of **Pentecost** and move forward into summer the question asked is: **WHAT does Ascension and Pentecost mean?** In this, mid Spring, issue of JAMES DAVIS DOOR POST Newsletter we will examine "**ASCENSION**" and "**PENTECOST!**"

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**WHERE GOD GUIDES, GOD WILL PROVIDE!"**

**Financial Support is Urgently Needed!**

*HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL MOTHERS.*

## THE DOOR POST SCRIPTURE:

"We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure. It enters the inner sanctuary behind the curtain, where our forerunner, Jesus, has entered on our behalf." (Hebrews 6:19-20 NIV).

**"THE MOTTO: "FAITH IT, 'TIL WE MAKE IT!"**

**ASCENSION AND PENTECOST!**



## THE DOOR POST James Davis EML Newsletter ■ Fourth Year

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**"ASCENSION AND PENTECOST!"** Jesus was back, alive, and the hopes of a liberator was still not finished. It took quite some time before the apostles understood what has happened. Plus, how could they visualize what still had to come? They questioned what was true. What about all the old ideas of a revolution and deliverance? Jesus took 40 more days to talk about the Kingdom of God. He had already spoken about it so many times before. The time didn't seem enough to explain the mystery sufficiently. Everything still looked like a revolution, a deliverance, a greater act to bring peace. But how? The clarity is brought together around Ascension. A King is crowned. A kingship is heralded. But it's quite different from the expectations of Jesus' disciples. It would be more than just a liberation of a country, an empire, or even the boundaries of time. It was an kingship without an end [C Luke 1:30-33; Acts 1:1-3 KJV].

**JESUS' REAL REVOLUTION:** From Palm Sunday's welcome celebration of a liberator, to history taking a quick turn; Jesus' arrest, His death, then He lives again, the disciples are thinking there will be a leader's coronation celebration in the air. But everything is upside down. He's leaving. The Kingdom of heaven, the kingdom of Jesus, the revolution, the deliverance, is not like an ordinary revolution. This revolution was really the world upside down. Now it's talk of something coming [C Acts 1:8]. We don't expect it, nor did the disciples, but these events seem to be perfect ingredients to unleash a true revolution [C John 12:12-19; Acts 1:4-8].

**ALL POWER:** Jesus' 33 year mission on earth has not been really smooth. This number of 40 days shows up repeatedly during His mission, indicating big change [C Matthew 3:17, 4:8-9]. After the end of Jesus' mission, He is back on the mountain. Now life has brought massive changes. The biggest enemy of mankind, death, has been defeated... that was the mission. Here at the end, Jesus has rightfully received all power over the kingdoms of the earth. It cannot be a coincidence that the gospel describes this first and last scene, and that this is the beginning of a kind of a glorious campaign of a liberator. The last words of Jesus vibrate excitement: [C Matthew 28:18]. Hallelujah the command for the great commission and the apostles are on the way. Everything being part of the deliverance. "And keep in mind: I am with you always, even to the end of the age" [C Matthew 28:20 AMP]; and With this the mission can be continued.

