

Viral: Focused On the Main Thing

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Question: What is your favourite “viral” video on social media?

The message and story went viral in the days of the early church and it is still going viral today.

Read Acts 1:1–8

The Kingdom of God was the focal point of Jesus’ ministry:

- a reign was inaugurated with His advent in Bethlehem
- demonstrated in His miracles
- explained in His teachings
- established in His death, burial, and resurrection
- will be consummated when He returns

Acts 1:4-5 NLT

Once when he was eating with them, he commanded them, “Do not leave Jerusalem until the Father sends you the gift he promised, as I told you before. John baptized with water, but in just a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”

Read Luke 3:16; Luke 4:18–19

If Jesus began His ministry in the power of the Spirit so must his followers!

We are still living in the time of the Lord’s favor.

Read again Acts 1:7–8

Question: What does it look like currently when we get hung up on the same issues the disciples were 2,000 years ago?

One of the beauties (and problems) of end times theology is that it’s protean. (able to be frequently and easily changed or adjusted)

Randall Balmer

To date, 100 percent of all attempts to correlate biblical prophecy with current events have been wrong.

Craig Blomberg

Question: Jesus is coming soon. But what are some of the negative consequences of trying to force today’s headlines and current events into the prophecies of the Bible?

The message and story of Jesus went viral because His followers weren’t distracted from the call to be a Spirit-empowered witness.

Questions: What does it look like in your life to be a Spirit-empowered witness for Jesus? What adjustment will you make today to embrace this further? What distraction do you need to let go of?

