

# *Acts of the Apostles*

## *A Bible Study*

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Grace's OASIS (On-line Adult Study in Spirit)  
Class/Discussion

Fall, 2021

WEEK 5: CHAPTERS 11-12

# *Mad Dash*

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Acts 11: Tension between old understanding and what God is doing now

- **Peter Reports to the Church at Jerusalem (11:1-18)**
- **The Church in Antioch (11:19-30)**

Acts 12: Divine intervention into power structures

- **Herod kills James and imprisons Peter (12:1-5)**
- **Peter delivered from prison (12:6-19)**
- **Death of Herod (12:20-25)**

# *Breakout Session 1:*

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What jumped out at you in these chapters?

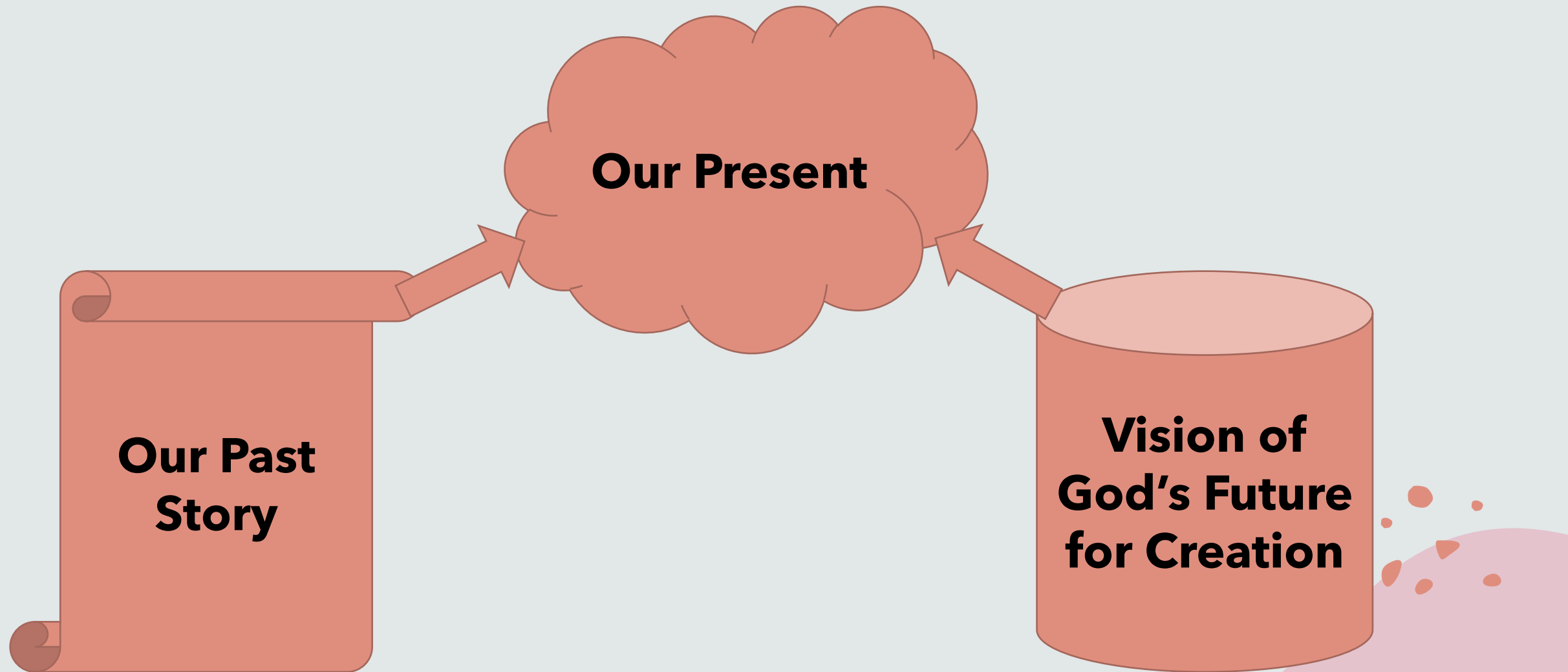
Or what surprised you in these chapters?

Or what inspired you in these chapters?

Or what was new to you in these chapters?

*The tension between upholding past traditions  
while being open to the Spirit at work today*

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## *Breakout Session 2:*

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In Acts 11, we see disciples trying to resolve their understanding of God's covenant (the "old order") and the actions of the Spirit in extending God's love and grace to people they thought were outside of God's blessing.

1. How does Peter's testimony provide a link between the old order and the new? How does this play out in Antioch?
2. Where is God opening doors for those considered outside of that blessing today?
3. In what ways can we follow the Spirit in that work today?

# *Next Week (10/17)*

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**Read Chapters 13-15**  
**(Paul's first missionary trip)**