

Jesus Ascends into Heaven

Acts 1:1-11

“I promise.”

In a loving and trust-filled relationship, those two simple words can have a huge impact. We find comfort in promises from those who can backup that promise with past experiences and past promises kept. We know they will follow through and stay true to their word.

Today, we learn about Jesus ascending into heaven. Throughout Jesus’ ministry, we have followed along and watched as he has kept every promise and prophecy made. In today’s lesson, Jesus makes his final promise while on this earth: that he will return someday. What comfort that brings us knowing Jesus’ perfect “track record” in keeping promises. We know, without a doubt, that He will come again and we will be with Him in heaven--no more troubles, no more pain, no more sin--for eternity!

Jesus also told his disciples to “be His witnesses!” He says the same to us. He tells us to share what we have learned with confidence. The world is looking for hope. We have a message of certain hope, backed up by a perfect God who lived, suffered, died and rose perfectly for the entire World!

Activity

The activity today is “simple”. Tell someone what you have learned. Tell someone about Jesus. Always look for the opportunities God gives. He will use you.

Prayer

Dear Lord,

We daily make mistakes, slip up, and break promises that we have made to others. Our imperfections remind us of your perfection. Thank you for keeping all of your promises. Thank you especially for sending your one and only Son to save us from the sin that entraps us day after day. Be with us as we take up your command - to be your witnesses. Give us the confidence and opportunities to share what we have learned from you in your word. Send the Holy Spirit to work faith so that more people will believe and know that they have what you earned for the world--a hope that won’t disappoint. May we live our lives with thankfulness in our hearts for all that Jesus has done for us.

Amen

