

JESUS RETURNS TO HEAVEN

Jesus Makes a Promise

John 14:1-6

1[The night before Jesus died, he said to his disciples:] "Do not be upset. Trust in God. And trust in me.

2"I am going to heaven to prepare a place for you. I tell you the truth: In my Father's house are many rooms.

3"I will go and prepare a place for you. Then I will come back. And I will take you to be with me."

4Jesus said, "You know how to go there."

5Thomas said to Jesus, "We don't know where you are going. So we don't know how to go there."

6Jesus answered, "[I am going to my Father's house in heaven.] I am the way. I am the truth. I am the life. I am the only way to God – you can only come to God the Father through me."

God the Father Makes a Promise

Acts 1:3-11

Luke 24:50-52

Acts 1:3After Jesus died on the cross, he showed himself to his disciples. For forty days, Jesus appeared to them. He proved many times that he was alive again. And Jesus told his disciples about God's kingdom.

4One day, Jesus was eating with his disciples. Jesus said to his disciples, "My Father promised to give you a gift. So wait in Jerusalem. In a few days, my Father in heaven will give you this gift – it is the Holy Spirit. God's Holy Spirit will come on you."

8"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you. Then you will tell everyone about me – in Jerusalem – in Israel – in the next country – and to every country in the world."

Luke 24:50Then, Jesus took his disciples outside Jerusalem [to the Mount of Olives]. Jesus lifted his hands, and he blessed his disciples. 51While he was blessing his disciples, God took Jesus up into heaven.

Acts 1:9A cloud hid Jesus – so the disciples could not see him. 10The disciples stood there. They were looking up into the sky. Suddenly two angels stood beside the disciples. The angels were wearing white clothes.

11The angels said to the disciples, "Why are you looking up into the sky? Jesus went up into heaven – and Jesus will come back in the same way."

Luke 24:52 Then the disciples **worshiped** Jesus. And the disciples were **very happy** – and the disciples returned to Jerusalem.

What is Jesus Doing Now?

Mark 16:19

Hebrews 7:24-25

16:19 Jesus went up into heaven. And Jesus **sat down** at God's **right hand**.

7:24 Jesus **lives forever**. 25 We can come to God, **if** we **believe** in Jesus. And Jesus can **save** us **completely**. Why? Jesus can save us, **because** he is **always alive** to **help** us.

CONTENT QUESTIONS

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What did Jesus tell the disciples to do? (verse 1)
- Why was Jesus going to heaven? (verse 2)
- What is in God the Father's house? (verse 2)
 - How many rooms are in the Father's house? (verse 2)

Who will live in the rooms?

- What did Jesus promise the disciples? (verse 3)

- Do the disciples know how to go to heaven? (verses 4 & 5)
- How can the disciples go to God in heaven? (verse 6)
What is the only way for the disciples to go to heaven? (verse 6)

Can the disciples go to God in heaven by themselves?
What do you think the disciples must do to go to heaven?

- After Jesus became alive again, how many days did they see Jesus? (Acts 1:3)
- What did God the Father promise to give the disciples? (verse 4)
- What will the disciples get (when the Holy Spirit comes on them)? (verse 8 – power)

Remember: How did the disciples feel after Jesus died?

Did the disciples feel powerful?

- What must the disciples do (after the Holy Spirit comes on them)? (verse 8)

Why do you think the disciples need power to tell everyone?

- Where did Jesus take his disciples? (Luke 24:50)
- What 2 things did Jesus do on the Mt. of Olives? (24:50 & 51)
- Then, where did Jesus go? (verse 51)
- Who stood beside the disciples? (verse 10)
- What will Jesus do in the future? (verse 11) [Now, we are waiting for Jesus to return.]
- What two things did the disciples do after the angels spoke to them? (Luke 24:52)
 - How did the disciples feel? (verse 52)

Why do you think the disciples were very happy?

- Where is Jesus now? (Mark 16:19)
- What can Jesus do for us? (Hebrews 7:25)
- Why can Jesus save us? (verse 24 and 25)

Do you think a dead person can save us?
Can a dead person make us live forever?

- How can we come to God? (verse 25)

return	戻る
heaven	天国
make a promise - made a promise - made a promise	約束する
promise	約束する、約束
before	約束
disciple	弟子
upset	騒がせる
trust	信頼する
God	神様
prepare	用意する
place	場所
tell - told - told	話をする、伝える、命じる、教える、戒める
tell the truth	実を言う
truth	実、心理、真実
many	多くの、大勢の
come back - came back - come back	戻る、帰る
take - took - taken	連れていく、取る、受け取る、持っていく、 奪う
how	どう、どのくらい
where	どこ
so	だから、それで、それに従って、そのためには、 そんなに
answer	答える
way	行き方、道
life	命
only	だけ、のみ、ただ、ひとりの、ただ一人の、 ただ一つの
through	を通して
after	の後、ののち
die	死ぬ
cross	十字架
show	見せる、表す
himself	彼自身

appear	現れる
prove	証拠をあげる
alive again (be resurrected)	再び生きる (復活する)
about	について、約
kingdom	王国
gift	プレゼント、贈り物
wait	待つ
Jerusalem	エルサレム (イスラエルの都)
few	少し、少ない
Holy Spirit	(神の)聖霊
receive	受ける、得る、受け取る
power	力
when	その時、という時に、いつ
everyone	皆
Israel	イスラエル
next country	隣の国
every	あらゆる、すべての
outside	外
Mount of Olives (just east of Jerusalem)	オリーブ山 (エルサレムの東に面する)
lift	上げる
bless	祝福する
while	しながら、～ながら、している間
cloud	雲
hide - hid - hidden	隠す
stand - stood - stood	立つ
sky	空
suddenly	突然、急に
angel	天使
beside	側に
wear - wore - worn	着る

clothes	服、衣服、衣、洋服
why	なぜ、どうして
go up - went up - gone up	上がる
the same way	同じ有り様
worship	拝む、礼拝をする
very	非常に
happy	嬉しい、喜ぶ、幸せだ
what	何、何と
now	今、もう、さて、それで
sit down	座る
right hand	右手
live forever	永遠に生きる
forever	永遠に
if	もし
believe	信じる
save	救う
completely	完全に
because	～のため、～のせい、なぜなら
always	いつも
alive	生きている
help	助ける、助け

who	誰
by themselves	自分たちで
must	しなければならない
remember	思い出す、偲ぶ
feel - felt - felt	感じる
powerful	力ある、力強い
future	将来、未来
dead	死んでる