

# The Ascension

Forty days after the resurrection, Jesus was taken up to heaven. Before the resurrection, he lifted his hands and blessed all his disciples. While he was being taken up to heaven, the disciples watched with amazement. Then they returned to Jerusalem filled with great joy.



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Can you draw the disciples watching Jesus going up to heaven?



## **Lesson 29**

### **The Ascension**

**Bible Text:** Luke 24:50-53

**Key Verse:** Mark 16:19

**Purpose:** The children will understand that Jesus is the Son of God and that Jesus came from God and that he returned to God after finishing his mission on earth.

#### **Please note!**

Plan suitable activities for your group of children. The following activities can be adapted depending on the group's size, age, ability, the amount of time available, etc.

### **I. Lesson**

Before working on the coloring page, read the Bible passage from Luke 24:50-53.

- For younger children, read the text out loud.
- For older children, the children themselves can read the text out loud

Help the children understand:

- Jesus knew who he was; he knew that he was the Son of God. (John 17:1)
- Jesus knew that his mission on earth was to serve and to give his life to save sinners. (Mark 10:45).
- Jesus knew that would return to heaven, from where he came. (John 13:3; 20:17)
- Jesus went to heaven to prepare a place for all Christians. (John 14:2).

### **II. Activities**

#### **1. Key Verse**

a. Read the verse out loud.

“After the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, he was taken up into heaven and he sat at the right hand of God.” Mark 16:19

b. Explain the verse:

Before going back to his Father, Jesus talked with his disciples one last time. Jesus was with his disciples until the last moment, before going up to heaven. Now Jesus has a place of honor at God's right hand.

c. Help the children memorize the verse.

You can use different games or contests to help the children memorize the key verse.

### **3. Review questions for the children:**

- Where did Jesus take the disciples?
- What did Jesus do before going to heaven?
- What did the disciples do?
- How did the disciples return to Jerusalem?
- What were the disciples doing in the Temple?

### **III. Conclusion**

Jesus is the Son of God. He promised that he is preparing a place for us in heaven. (John 14:2-3). Only God's children go to heaven. Are you a child of God?