

A New Dispensation – Jesus’ Ascension

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- Dispensations – Biblically defined periods or ages in which each is administered in a certain way
 - Innocence – Eden prior to the fall
 - Conscience – the fall to the flood
 - Human Government – flood to Abraham
 - Promise – Abraham to Moses
 - Law – Moses to Jesus’ sacrifice
 - Grace (Church) – Jesus/Pentecost to Jesus return
 - Millennial Kingdom – thousand-year reign of Christ

Jesus’ Ascension

- Mark 16:9-20
 - Jesus’ appearances
 - Jesus commissions his followers
 - Jesus taken up into heaven
 - Sat down at God’s right hand
 - The disciples went everywhere and preached
 - The Lord worked through them
- Luke 24:50-53
- Acts 1:6-11
 - Time for the kingdom to be restored?
 - That’s not for you to know
 - You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you
 - You will be my witnesses – everywhere
 - Jesus taken up into a cloud
 - Angels – Jesus has been taken into heaven.
 - Someday he will return in the same way you saw him go

Jesus seated at the Father’s right hand

- Luke 22:69
- Hebrews 12:2
- Colossians 3:1
- Ephesians 2:4-6
- Romans 8:34
- Acts 7:51-59 – the martyrdom of Stephen
 - Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, saw the glory of God and Jesus standing in the place of honor at God’s right hand
 - Lord Jesus, receive my spirit
 - Don’t charge them with this sin

He will return the same way you saw him go (Acts 1:11)

- Acts 1:12
- Zechariah 14:1-4
- Jesus declaring what is to come - Luke 21:25-28
- Matthew 24:30-31
- 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11
 - The day of the Lord’s return will come unexpectedly
 - You won’t be surprised
 - You are children of light
 - Be on guard, stay alert, clearheaded
 - Wearing as a helmet the confidence of our salvation
 - We can live with Christ forever
 - Encourage each other