

MOUNT OF OLIVES

ELEVATION ~ 2,710 FT
31°46'42"N 35°14'38"E

LOCATION

Located directly east of the Temple Mount in Jerusalem. The Kidron Valley separates Jerusalem from the Mount of Olives.

KEY REFERENCE

After he said this, **he was taken up before their very eyes**, and a cloud hid him from their sight...Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the **Mount of Olives**, a Sabbath day's walk from the city.
-Acts 1:9,12

SIGNIFICANCE

After being crucified and resurrected, Jesus ascended from the Mount of Olives to the presence of God the Father. As Jesus was exalted, he rightfully took his place sitting at the Father's right hand (Hebrews 1:3).

Jesus reigns as King because the Father has given him all authority and dominion on heaven and earth (Matthew 28:20). As believers wait for Jesus's second coming, they participate in the mission of the kingdom to be witnesses of the good news of Jesus to all nations (Acts 1:8).

SERMON NOTES

REFLECT ON ACTS 1:1-12

- *How does Jesus refocus the disciples' attention to the mission of the Kingdom of God? What is the mission?*
- *How does this mountain top experience reveal Jesus' glory and authority?*
- *How does this mountain top experience remind us of Jesus' second coming?*
- *How does Jesus' ascension affect how believers live as they actively wait for his second coming?*
- *How is Jesus' ascension a picture of the fulfillment of Daniel 7:9-13?*