

## This Same Jesus

*"He ascended into heaven, He is seated at the right hand of the Father, and He will come to judge the living and the dead."*

*"Therefore, they had come together, they asked Him, saying, 'Lord will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?' And he said to them, 'It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in his own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you shall be my witnesses to me in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.'"*

*Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up. And a cloud received Him out of their sight. And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel, who also said, 'Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven.'*

**Acts 1:6-11**

Think of the ascension as essentially the \_\_\_\_\_.

*"They worshiped Him and returned to Jerusalem full of great joy, and they were found continually in the temple blessing God."*

**Luke 24:52,53**

*"They went out and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by accompanying signs."*

**Mark 16:20**

Jesus corrected this \_\_\_\_\_.

*"But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you."*

**John 16:7**

*"In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams."*

**Acts 2:17, Joel 2:28**

*"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."*

**Matthew 18:20**

Because He ascended, there are four things that we get to be a part of.

**1) Because He ascended, we have \_\_\_\_\_.**

*“Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”* **Philippians 2:9-11**

*“We have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.”* **1 John 2:1**

*“Therefore He is able to save completely those who come to God through Him, because He always lives to intercede for them.”* **Hebrews 7:25**

**2) His ascension points forward to His \_\_\_\_\_.**

*“When the members of the Sanhedrin heard this, they were furious and gnashed their teeth at him. But Stephen, full of the Holy Spirit, looked up to heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. “Look,” he said, “I see heaven open and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.”* **Acts 7:54-56**

*“This will happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels. He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might on the day he comes to be glorified in his holy people and to be marveled at among all those who have believed. “* **2 Thessalonians 1:7-10**

**3) Christ's ascension speaks of our full \_\_\_\_\_.**

*Yet we urge you, brothers and sisters, to do so more and more, and to make it your ambition to lead a quiet life: You should mind your own business and work with your hands, just as we told you, so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody.”*

**1 Thessalonians 4:10-12**

**4) The ascension points us to a \_\_\_\_\_, because, as Jesus returns, there will be blessings if we were faithful.**

*“Look, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to each person according to what they have done.”* **Revelation 22:12**