



The Ascension -

What happened at the Ascension?

“And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.” (9)

Jesus departed _____ from earth into heaven, where he is now present with _____, at his right hand.

What are the benefits of the Ascension?

- 1. Jesus sent the _____.

“Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you.” John 16:7

“Paraclete” - _____

- 2. Jesus _____.

“All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.” Matthew 28:18b

- 3. Jesus _____.

“Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking into heaven? This Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.” Acts 1:11

“Instead of stupidly and idly gazing after one who was no longer visible, they should rather show their love to him by instantly obeying his farewell commands and trusting his repeated promise to return.” J.A. Alexander

Just as the _____ is the first-fruits of our own resurrection, the _____ is the first-fruits of our own ascension to the dwelling place of God the Father and God the Son.

- 4. Jesus advocates _____ for us.

“Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.” Hebrews 4:14

“When my life work is ended, and I cross the swelling tide,
When the bright and glorious morning I shall see;
I shall know my Redeemer when I reach the other side,
And his smile will be the first to welcome me.

I shall know him, I shall know him,
And redeemed by his side I shall stand,
I shall know him, I shall know him,
By the print of the nails in his hand.” - Fanny Crosby