

He Ascended Up on High

Ephesians 4:8-10

8 Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.

9 (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?

10 He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)

He Ascended Up on High

Our Lord Jesus Christ first descended to the lowest parts of the earth, and then He ascended up far above all heavens, where He is at this very hour.

Ephesians 4:8-10

**What does ascend
mean?**

To go up!

**In this case ... for Jesus
to go up from earth
to heaven!**

He Ascended Up on High

Our Lord Jesus Christ first came down to a humble and lowly life on earth, and then He went up far above all heavens, where He is at this very hour.

Ephesians 4:8-10

**The birth of Jesus is
important. Two gospels
record its details.**

**The death of Jesus is
important. Four gospels
record its details.**

**His resurrection is
important. Four gospels
record its details.**

**His ascension is also
important. Three
gospels mention it.**

**But His ascension is
mentioned many other
times in the Bible.**

Why Is His Ascension Neglected?

- Futurism has Him on hold for at least 1,007 years!
- A “tribulation” and “millennium” must occur first.
- There is no RC holy day like Christmas and Easter.
- Rome has *Ascension Thursday* ... but who keeps it?
- A proud and lying spirit does not want it known!

Great Mystery of Godliness

And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

I Timothy 3:16

What Is Jesus Doing in Heaven?

Preparing a Place for Us

Interceding for Us to God

Giving gifts and helping Us

Compare His Life and Work Above

For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

Romans 5:10

Compare His Life and Work Above

Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God, who also maketh intercession for us.

Romans 8:34

Compare His Life and Work Above

Wherefore he is able also to save them to the uttermost that come unto God by him, seeing he ever liveth to make intercession for them.

Hebrews 7:25

What Can It Be Called?

His Ascension

His Exaltation

His Coronation

Gospel Timeline

PASSOVER

Jesus died for our sins.

PASSOVER + 3

Jesus rose from death.

40 days of infallible proofs He was alive

PASSOVER + 43

Jesus ascended to heaven.

PASSOVER + 50

Jesus gave Spirit on *Pentecost*.

Ephesians 4:8-10

8 Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.

9 (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?

10 He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)

**The sceptre shall not depart
from Judah ... until Shiloh
come; and unto him shall the
gathering of the people be.**

Genesis 49:10

**Yet have I set my king upon
my holy hill of Zion.**

Psalm 2:6

**Ask of me, and I shall give thee
the heathen for thine
inheritance, and the uttermost
parts of the earth for thy
possession.**

Psalm 2:8

Thou hast ascended on high,
thou hast led captivity
captive: thou hast received
gifts for men;

Psalm 68:18

**The Son of man came with
the clouds of heaven, and
came to the Ancient of days,
and they brought him near
before him.**

Daniel 7:13

**There was given him dominion,
and glory, and a kingdom, that
all people, nations, and
languages, should serve him.**

Daniel 7:14

**Thou hast said in thine heart,
I will ascend into heaven, I
will exalt my throne above
the stars of God:**

Isaiah 14:13

**I will ascend above the
heights of the clouds; I will
be like the most High.**

Isaiah 14:14

**Behold, my servant shall deal
prudently, he shall be exalted
and extolled, and be very
high.**

Isaiah 52:13

**What and if ye shall see the
Son of man ascend up where
he was before?**

John 6:62

**Jesus saith unto her, Touch
me not; for I am not yet
ascended to my Father:**

John 20:17

**Jesus saith unto her ... say
unto them, I ascend unto my
Father, and your Father; and
to my God, and your God:**

John 20:17

**Ought not Christ to have
suffered these things, and to
enter into his glory?**

Luke 24:26

So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God.

Mark 16:19

**And it came to pass, while he
blessed them, he was parted
from them, and carried up
into heaven.**

Luke 24:51

The former treatise have I made, O Theophilus ... until the day in which he was taken up.

Acts 1:1-2

Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted ... he hath shed forth this, which ye now see and hear.

Acts 2:33

David is not ascended into the heavens: but he saith himself, The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand,

Acts 2:34

Whom the heaven must
receive until the times of
restitution of all things.

Acts 3:21

**But he ... looked up ... into
heaven, and saw the glory of
God, and Jesus standing on
the right hand of God,**

Acts 7:55

And said, Behold, I see the heavens opened, and the Son of man standing on the right hand of God.

Acts 7:56

Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God.

Romans 8:34

**Wherefore God also hath
highly exalted him, and given
him a name which is above
every name:**

Philippians 2:9

Who being the brightness of his glory ... when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

Hebrews 1:3

**Being made so much better
than the angels, as he hath
by inheritance obtained a
more excellent name than
they.**

Hebrews 1:4

**But we see Jesus ... crowned
with glory and honour;**

Hebrews 2:9

Whither the forerunner is for us entered, even Jesus, made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

Hebrews 6:20

This is the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens;

Hebrews 8:1

**But by his own blood he
entered in once into the holy
place, having obtained eternal
redemption for us.**

Hebrews 9:12

**For Christ is not entered into
the holy places made with
hands, but into heaven itself,
now to appear in the
presence of God for us:**

Hebrews 9:24

But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God;

Hebrews 10:12

**Looking unto Jesus ... who for
the joy that was set before
him ... is set down at the right
hand of the throne of God.**

Hebrews 12:2

**Who is gone into heaven, and
is on the right hand of God;
angels and authorities and
powers being made subject
unto him.**

1 Peter 3:22

And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.

Revelation 12:5

**In the midst of the throne ...
stood a Lamb as it had been
slain ... he came and took the
book out of the right hand of
him that sat upon the throne.**

Revelation 5:6-7

**And he that overcometh ...
will I give power over the
nations: And he shall rule
them with a rod of iron; even
as I received of my Father.**

Revelation 2:26-27

To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

Revelation 3:21

What Is Jesus Doing in Heaven?

Preparing a Place for Us

Interceding for Us to God

Giving gifts and helping Us

He Reigns Forever and Ever!

- There is nothing to fear with Him as your King!
- He is your High Priest for all dealings with God!
- He knows your temptations ... you may pray boldly!
- He is incomplete without you – He cannot lose you!
- He is coming again to get you body, soul, and spirit!

He Is Coming Soon!

10 And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel;

11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven (Acts 1:10-11).

He Is Coming Soon!

He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen.
Even so, come, Lord Jesus.

Revelation 22:20

For Further Study

He Ascended Up on High ... <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/he-ascended-up-on-high.pdf>.

Coronation of Jesus Christ ... <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/sermons/christ/coronation-of-jesus/sermon.php>.

Jesus Christ in Glory ... <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/christ-in-glory.pdf>.

Mystery of Godliness (PowerPoint) ... <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/mystery-of-godliness-powerpoint.pdf>.

Mystery of Godliness (detailed) ... <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/mystery-of-godliness.pdf>.

Messianic Psalms ... <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/messianic-psalms.pdf>.

Blessed and Only Potentate ... <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/blessed-and-only-potentate.pdf>.

Our King and Priest ... <http://www.letgodbetrue.com/pdf/king-and-priest.pdf>.

www.LetGodBeTrue.com