

## Jesus Goes to Heaven & Angels Talk of Jesus' Return

### Acts 1:1-11

**1** In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach **2** until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. **3** After his suffering, he presented himself to them and gave many convincing proofs that he was alive. He appeared to them over a period of forty days and spoke about the kingdom of God. **4** On one occasion, while he was eating with them, he gave them this command: "Do not leave Jerusalem, but wait for the gift my Father promised, which you have heard me speak about. **5** For John baptized with[a] water, but in a few days you will be baptized with[b] the Holy Spirit." **6** Then they gathered around him and asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?" **7** He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. **8** But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

**9** After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight. **10** They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. **11** "Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven."

# Questions to Get You Thinking

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- 1) Do you recognise the first part of the passage? What is happening?
- 2) What do you think it looked like when Jesus ascended into heaven?
- 3) If Jesus comes back from heaven in the same way he left, do you think it will look exactly the same? Will he float? Will he have wings? Will it be more dramatic? What colour do you think the sky would be? What would he be wearing? Do you think anyone will be stood below Him, waiting for Him to come down?

**Now it's time for you to draw/paint what you think it might look like when Jesus comes back for a second time.**

Use what you have learned from the Bible passage to help you.

You could also look at some of the provided pictures that people have painted over the years. These might help you to visualise what it might have looked like when Jesus went up into heaven.

The Feast of the Ascension by Chip Noon



The Ascension by Gustav Dore



The Ascension by Michael Mize

