

Acts 1:4-11 THE ASCENSION

- Their question was whether God would establish the Kingdom then.
- The time of the event remains with the Father.
- More important is the immediate task to be witnesses.
- Empowerment of holy spirit
- God's purpose and the place of the Church in it
- Witness and mission must precede the return of Jesus.
- His departure was a pattern for his ultimate return.
- Get busy now!

What is Jesus doing now?

1 Peter 3:21 and 22 Angels, authorities, and powers are now subject to him.

Matthew 28:18 "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth."

1 Timothy 2:5; Hebrews 12:24 When we pray to God, we do so through the name of Jesus Christ. Jesus is the Mediator.

Hebrews 2:17 and 18 Jesus is the High Priest in heaven.

Hebrews 9:1-14 Jesus is our high priest.

1 John 1:5-2:2 He is our Advocate. "Propitiate" - to appease and make favorable; conciliate

2 Corinthians 5:16-21 The time between the ascension and the return is the day of reconciliation. We are ministers of reconciliation.

Ephesians 1:20-23 Jesus is the Head of the Body, which is his Church.

Galatians 1:11 Revelation comes through Jesus Christ.

Revelation 2:1 Jesus is actively walking among the churches as the head of the Church.

Hebrews 4:14-16 Jesus is our helper!

Acts 1:9-11 He is coming back as he left.

Matthew 24:14 Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached to the whole world.

Matthew 24:27-44 We do not know the exact day, but we are certain the day is coming.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; 1 Corinthians 15:20-27, 35-49 Great comfort