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¹In my former book, Theophilus, I wrote about all that Jesus began to do and to teach ²until the day he was taken up to heaven, after giving instructions through the Holy Spirit to the apostles he had chosen. ³After his suffering, he showed himself to these men 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. ⁴On 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. ⁵For John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit."

⁶So when they met together, they asked him, "Lord, are you at this time going to restore the kingdom to Israel?"

⁷He said to them: "It is not for you to know the times or dates the Father has set by his own authority. ⁸But 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."

⁹After he said this, he was taken up before their very eyes, and a cloud hid him from their sight.

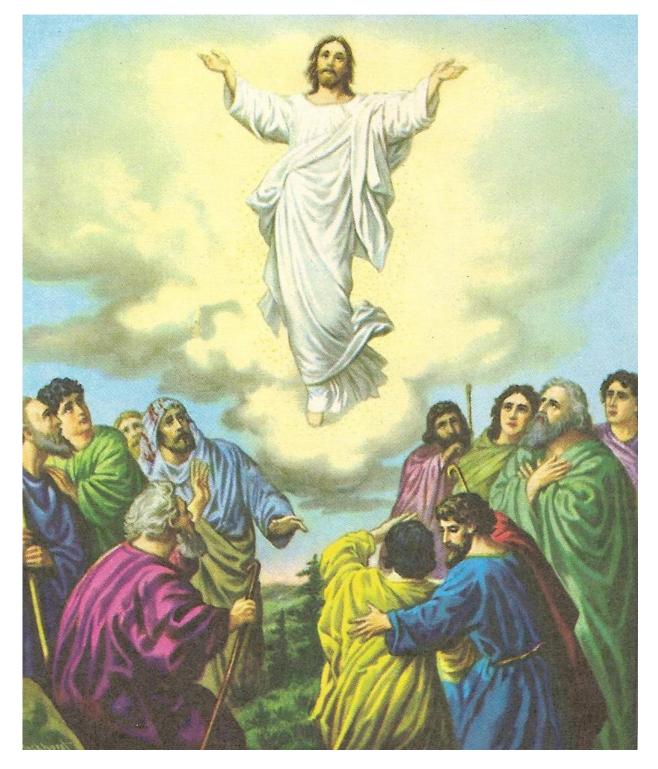
¹⁰They were looking intently up into the sky as he was going, when suddenly two men dressed in white stood beside them. ¹¹"Men of Galilee," they said, "why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him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

Possible Points	My Points	QUESTIONS	
5		1.)	For how many days did Jesus appear to his disciples after he rose from the dead?
5		2.)	What was the gift that Jesus was going to give his disciples? (Verse 5)
5		3.)	What would the Holy Spirit help the disciples do? (Verse 8)
5		4.)	What happened right before the disciples' eyes?

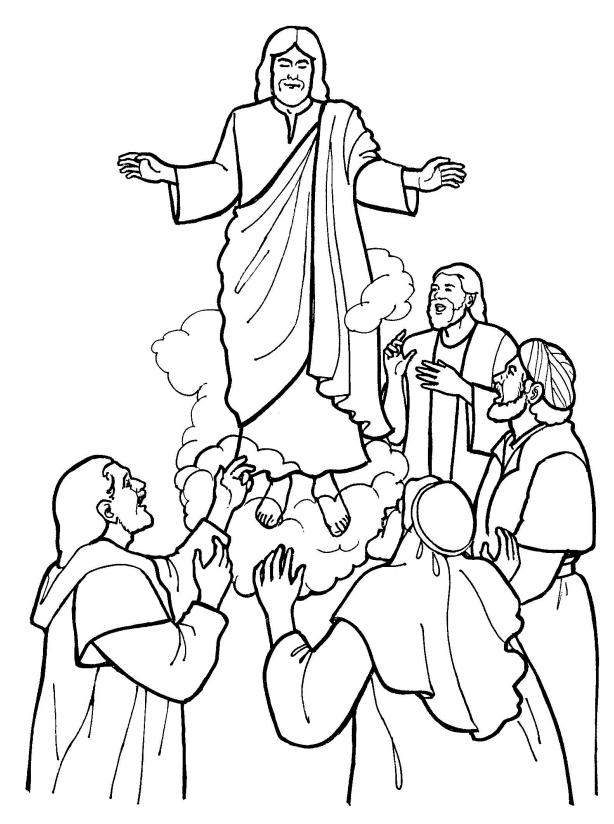
Possible	MY	MEMORY VERSE	
POINTS	POINTS		
10		"It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Counselor will not come to you"	
10		John 16:7	

Possible Points	My Points	Home Connection	Parent/Guardian Signature
5		I have read, or been read, the passage of scripture for this week.	
5		I have answered the questions aloud to an adult at home this week.	
10		I have recited the memory verse out loud to an adult at home this week.	

TOTAL POINTS	CLUB CONNECTION		
	Leader's Signature Date//		



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Jesus is taken up into heaven before their eyes

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CRAFT/ACTIVITY: CLOUD SCENE

Students will make a cloud scene to remind them that Jesus was taken up before the eyes of those present.

MATERIALS

- 1. Blue Construction Paper
- 2. Jesus in the Clouds Pattern
- 3. Crayons, Markers, or Colored Pencil
- 4. Scissors
- 5. Glue
- 6. Cotton Balls



DIRECTIONS

- 1. Make copies of the "Jesus in the Clouds Pattern" for each student.
- 2. Have students color the Jesus figure with crayons, markers, or colored pencils.
- 3. Have students cut out the "Jesus in the Clouds Pattern" and glue it in the center of the blue construction paper.
- 4. Allow students to glue cotton balls onto the cloud to make it look fluffy.

For Discussion

As students are working on their cloud scenes, remind them that Jesus had to return to Heaven so that the Counselor (Holy Spirit) would come. Help students realize that when they ask Jesus into their heart, it is the Holy Spirit that comes in. Give students the opportunity to receive Christ as their Savior.

TIME NEEDED TO COMPLETE:

Approximately 15 minutes

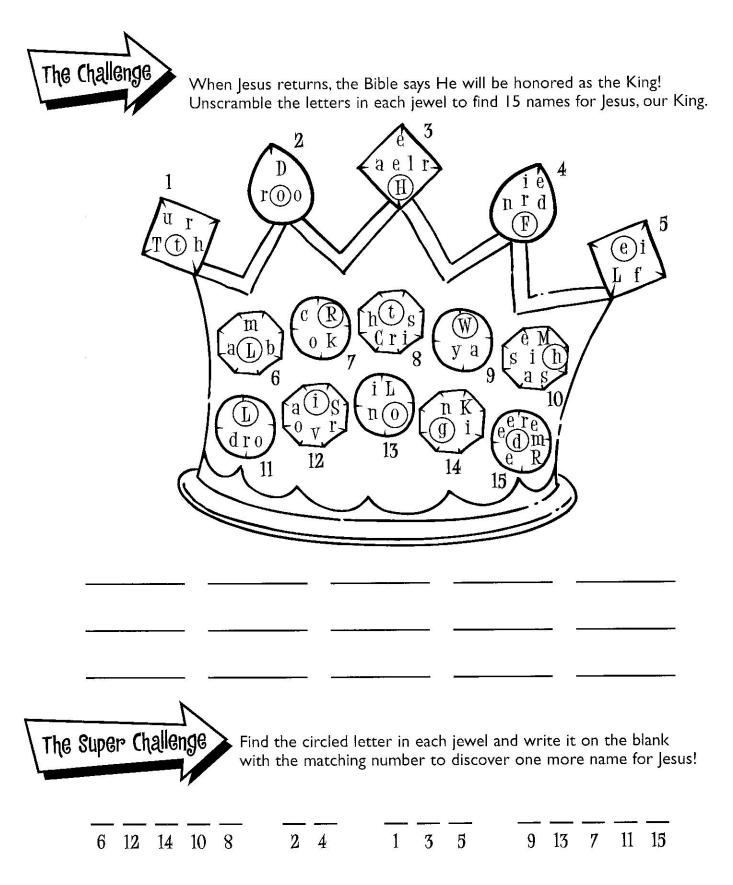
MEMORY VERSE

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JESUS IN THE CLOUDS PATTERN





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A SPECIAL REPORT ON ACTS 1:1-11

JESUS GOES BACK TO HEAVEN



After Jesus died and rose again, he appeared times numerous his disciples to and others over a 40 day period. During this time, Jesus spoke about

the kingdom of heaven.

While eating with his disciples, Jesus told them, "Do not leave Jerusalem before you receive the gift my Father promised. John baptized with water, but in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit. When you receive the Holy Spirit you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

After Jesus said this, he was taken up to heaven in a cloud right before their eyes. As they were watching the sky, two men dressed in white stood beside them. They told the disciples that Jesus will come back someday just as he went to heaven.

For more details, please read Acts 1:1-11 in the Bible.

QUESTIONS

- 1. For how many days did Jesus appear to his disciples after he rose from the dead?
- 2. What was the gift that Jesus was going to give his disciples?
- 3. What would the Holy Spirit help the disciples do?
- 4. What happened right before the disciples' eyes?

MEMORY VERSE

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UNSCRAMBLE THE MESSAGE

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