

**Idea:** The ascension of Christ declares for all time that Jesus is the eternal Son of God and the perfect Man. He is the exalted One and we worship Him.

## I. THE REALITY OF THE ASCENSION

### A. The OCCASION

1. FORTY days after the resurrection
2. On the Mt. of OLIVES

### B. The DESCRIPTION

1. TAKEN up
2. RECEIVED up
3. WENT up

## II. THE REASONS FOR THE ASCENSION (and what it means to us)

### A. It confirmed the REDEMPTIVE work of Christ was done

- We can live absolutely CONFIDENT of our acceptance “in Him”

### B. It marked the end of Christ’s HUMILIATION and the restoration of His GLORY

- We are to bear witness to His INVISIBLE reign

### C. It resulted in the Holy Spirit being sent to INDWELL us

- We have God’s ENABLEMENT to live the Christian life

### D. It demonstrated how He will come AGAIN

- We live in HOPE of Jesus’ return

### E. It means a PLACE is being prepared for us

- We are reminded that we don’t BELONG here