

Jesus Returned to Heaven

Mark 16:19; Luke 24:50–53; Acts 1:9



Bible story

Jesus' friends were so sad. Mean men had killed Jesus. Very early on a Sunday morning some ladies went to the cemetery to care for Jesus' body. What a surprise! When they got there, they saw an angel. "Don't be afraid," said the angel. "He is not here; He has risen."

Sure enough, many of Jesus' friends saw Him alive again! He even made breakfast for His special friends, the disciples, one morning on the shore. Jesus' friends were so happy!

One day Jesus and His friends walked to a hill. Jesus told His friends that He was going back to God, His Father, in Heaven. Jesus wanted His friends to tell other people about Jesus' love.

As His friends watched, Jesus started to go into the sky. (*Show picture 19-11.*) A cloud covered Jesus, and His friends couldn't see Him anymore. The cloud went higher and higher. Jesus was gone from the earth.

Today Jesus lives in Heaven with God, His Father. Jesus loves each little boy and girl. He wants us to tell other people about His love.

Talk about the story

Have the children take turns pointing to Jesus, the cloud, and Jesus' friends in picture 19-11.

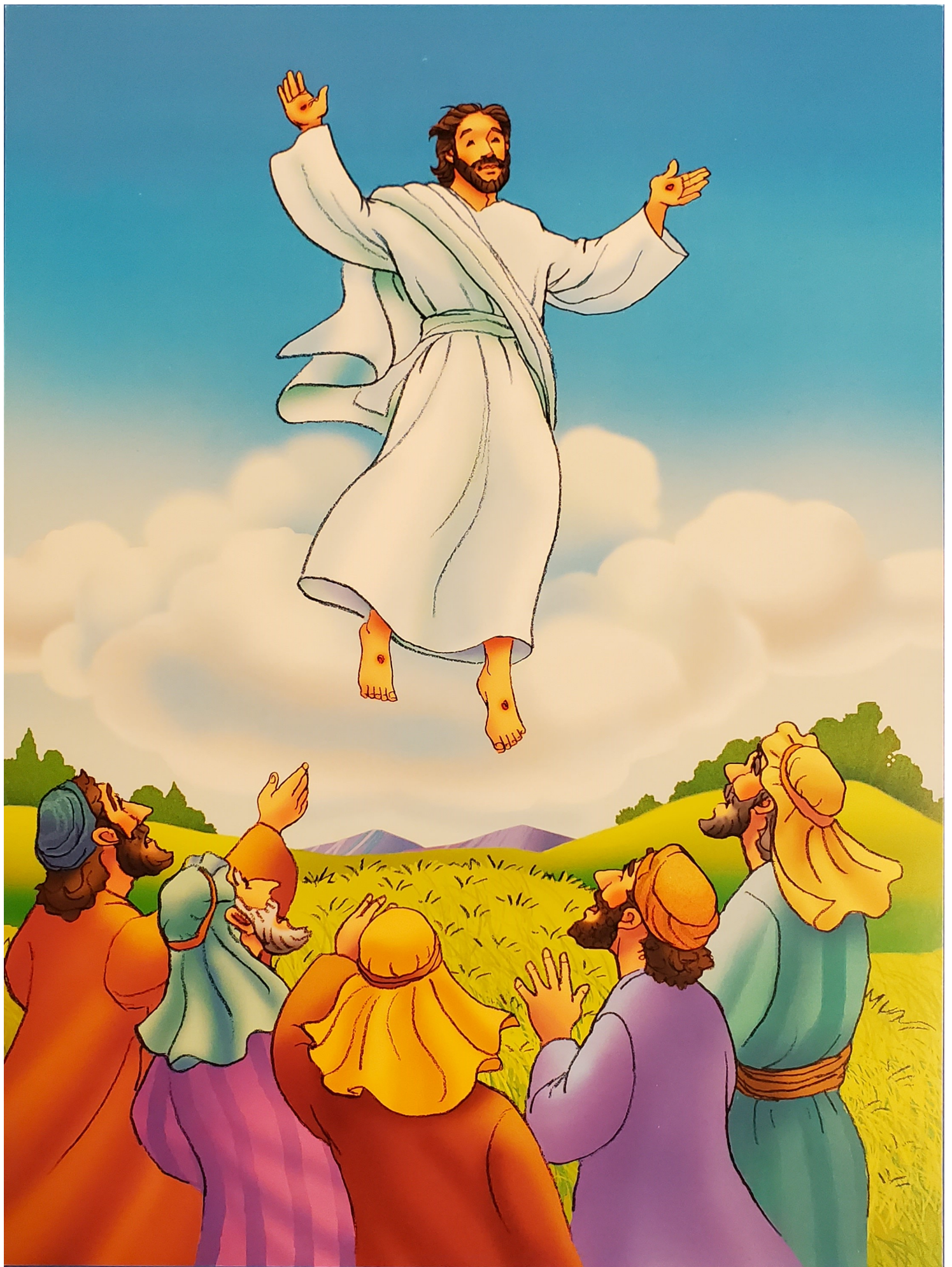
Ask: Why were Jesus' friends sad? (Jesus was dead.)

Ask: What made Jesus' friends happy? (Jesus was not dead; He is alive.)

Ask: Who saw Jesus? (His friends.)

Ask: Where did Jesus go? (To Heaven.)

Ask: Where is Jesus now? (In Heaven with God, His Father.)



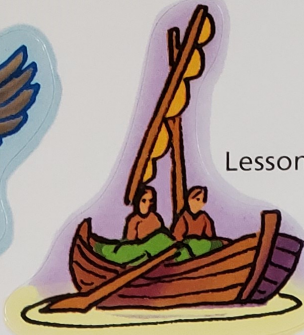
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