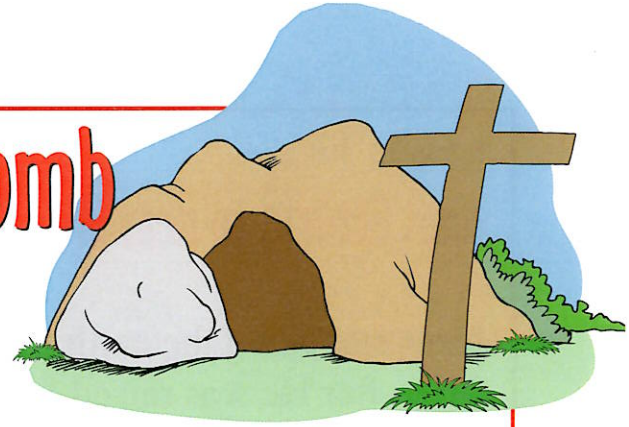


# The Cross & the Empty Tomb



## Parents' Page

Lesson 13

## Jesus Returns to Heaven

### Your child should understand...

Obedience—Working for Jesus

### Your child should be able to...

1. Identify the purpose of the miracles the apostles were able to perform.
2. Tell what Jesus told His apostles to do after He was gone from them.
3. Identify whether the Old Testament prophets were telling the truth about Jesus.

### Your child should be able to say...

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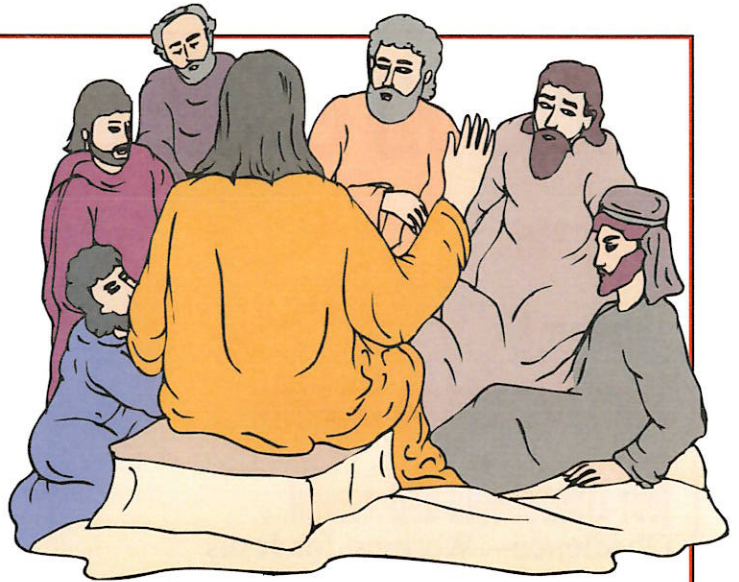
### Please help your child read...

Thursday	Matthew 28:16-20
Friday	Mark 16:14-20
Saturday	Luke 24:36-43
Monday	Luke 24:44-53
Tuesday	Acts 1:1-11

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Jesus stayed on the earth for forty days after He was raised from the dead. He talked to many people. Before Jesus went back to heaven, He talked again with His apostles. You see, the apostles were the special men that He had chosen to do a very special work for Him. Now that Jesus was going back to heaven, the apostles had to begin doing their work. Their job was to preach. Jesus told them to go out and preach about Him to everyone so that everyone who believed and obeyed could be saved from their sins.



**What special work did Jesus tell His apostles to do after He was gone from them?**

But would people really believe that Jesus had sent the apostles? Jesus knew it would be easy for people to believe that the apostles were just lying to them. So Jesus told them they would be given special powers to perform miracles so that people would believe them when they preached the gospel, the good news about Jesus. They would be able to speak in all different languages without ever studying the languages. They would also be able to heal sick people and perform many other miracles. He told them to stay in Jerusalem until they received their special powers.

**True or False? The apostles were given power to perform miracles so that people would believe them when they preached about Jesus, the Son of God.**

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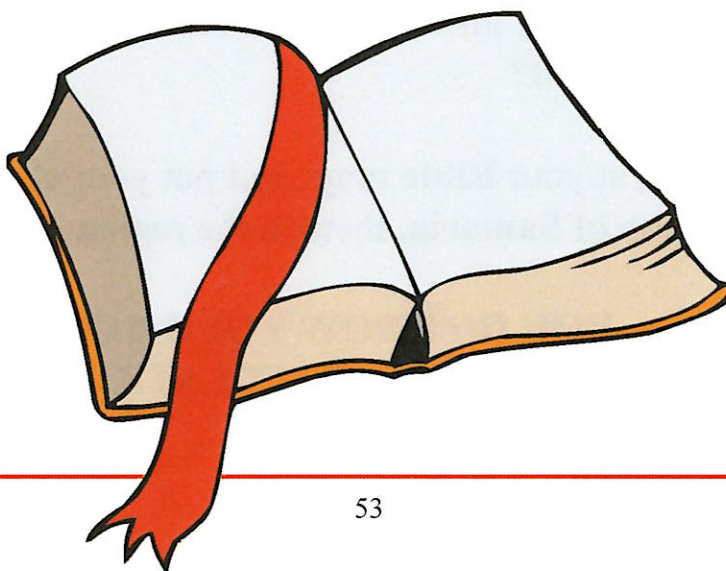
Jesus reminded the apostles that He really is the Son of God. He reminded them that many years before, the Old Testament prophets had said that the Christ would suffer and be raised on the third day. The prophets had also said that the preaching about Jesus Christ would begin in Jerusalem. And Jerusalem is where Jesus wanted the apostles to begin their preaching. All

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of the things the Old Testament prophets had said about Jesus Christ had come true.

Now it was time for Jesus to go back into heaven with God and sit down because His work here was done. He had come to earth to teach people and then to die for them. He had done all of that. Then He rose from the dead, and now He could go back. As His apostles watched, Jesus was taken to heaven in a cloud.

Jesus loves us, and we love Jesus. We want to be in heaven with Him some day. If we love and obey Him and love and serve His people, that's exactly where we will be forever and ever—in heaven with Jesus, who died on the cross and left an empty tomb. We know all these things because the *Bible* tells us so!



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### Memory Verses:

**Be ready to say all of your memory verses in class without any help!**

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## I Know My Bible Facts!



What is the book of **Colossians** about?  
(All people can be complete in Christ)

Can you say **all 66 books of the whole Bible with your eyes closed?**

Look at your **Bible map**, and put your **elbow** on the region of **Samaria**, then on the region of **Galilee**.

**YOU DO KNOW YOUR BIBLE FACTS!  
CONGRATULATIONS!!!**