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ASCENSION

**JESUS IS** TAKEN TO **HFAVFN** 







Share your highs and lows, or respond to the following:

- 1. What is it like to say goodbye to a good friend, knowing it will be a long time before you see them again?
- 2. What do you think heaven will be like?



## **BIBLE READINGS**

Read the following Bible readings throughout this week. Talk about what words or phrases stand out for you.

1st reading Ephesians 1:15-23 Acts 1:1-11 Jesus taken up into heaven

Thanksgiving and prayer

2nd reading

Gospel reading Luke 24:44-53 Jesus ascends into heaven

## DISCUSS

Share what it might have been like for the disciples to see Jesus ascend into heaven. Imagine being there with them.



## ACTION RESPONSE

Candles remind us that Jesus (the light of the world) is with us. The Bible tells us about Jesus' promise to always be with us. The Bible Society provides free Bibles to people both overseas and in Australia. They give Bibles to chaplains of hospitals, schools, prisons and the defence forces.

Consider donating to their cause www.biblesociety.com.au or finding another way to support them.





Dear Jesus, thank you for still being with us wherever we are, even though we can't see you. Help us to remember you are always near. Amen.



## MEALTIME PRAYER

Dear God, thank you for all the many gifts of food and drink we have each day. Amen.

WHILE HE WAS BLESSING THEM, HE LEFT THEM AND WAS TAKEN UP INTO HEAVEN.

LUKE 24:51

VERSE OF THE WEEK