

LESSON 70

MARK 16:17-20

REVIEW:

Just before Jesus went back to heaven, He told His disciples:

1. Where He wanted them to go, Jesus said,

." (Mark16:15)

2. What were they told to do when they got there?

When people became believers, what did Jesus want them to do? He wanted them to be

 (verse 16)

READ MARK 16:17-18

SIGNS

1. Write the number from the left side in box with the correct answers on the right side. Jesus said signs would follow those who believed.

1) In my name they shall serpents (poison snakes).

2) They shall speak it shall not hurt them.

3) They shall take up cast out demons.

4) If they drink any deadly new tongues.

thing (poison drink)

5) If they lay hands on the sick they shall recover.

- 2. People in the New Testament did these signs.
 - 1) Name one of Jesus' followers who did signs. (Acts 8:5-8)
 - 2) Who was bitten by a poisonous snake and did not die? (Acts 28:3-6)
 - 3) Who healed a lame man when he believed in Jesus' name? (Acts 3:4-11)

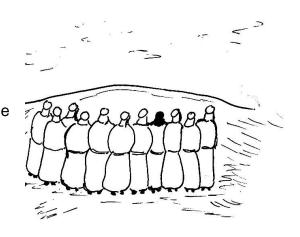
4) What happened to believers after Pentecost? (Acts 2:4)

"They were filled with the and spoke in (languages)."

READ MARK 16:19-20 and LUKE 24:49

JESUS GOES HOME TO HEAVEN

Jesus and His disciples walked together for the last time. They went up on a hill in Bethany. As they stood on the hill, a wonderful thing happened. Jesus had told His disciples to go all over the world. They must go and preach the Gospel. In Luke 24:49 Jesus told His



disciples to go to Jerusalem first. Jesus knew His disciples could not go alone to preach about Him. They would not know how.

1. Jesus told His disciples to wait at Jerusalem. (Luke 24:49) What were the disciples to wait for?

"Until ye be endued (filled with)

from

This really meant to wait for someone to help them. Who would bring them that power from God? (Acts 2:4)



After Jesus finished talking to His disciples on

the Bethany hill, a wonderful thing happened. There was a cloud in the sky above them. The disciples could hardly believe their eyes! Jesus was no longer standing there with them. He went up into that cloud above them, and they did not see Him anymore. Jesus was gone back to heaven.

2. What did Jesus do when He got back to heaven? (Mark 16:19)

3. When we have a lot of work to do, is that the time for us to go and sit down?

JESUS' REDEEMING WORK WAS FINISHED

God gave Jesus work to do down here on earth. Jesus came to show us what His Father, God, was like. Jesus came to save us from our sins, so we could go to live with God. He had to die for us. Then He rose from the dead. Jesus FINISHED the work God gave Him to do.

1. What does John 17:4 say?

"I have glorified thee on the earth; I have

2. What did Jesus say just before He died on the cross? (John 19:30)

"... He said, It ; and He bowed His head and gave up the ghost." (He died).

Let us sum up again the work Jesus did:

- 1) He LIVED on earth to show us what God is like.
- 2) He DIED to pay for our sins so we could be forgiven.
- 3) He ROSE and we can know God was satisfied with His death for us.
- 3. What is Jesus doing now? The Bible tells us more than once that Jesus is sitting at God's right hand. (Colossians 3:1; Mark 16:19; Ephesians 1:20; Hebrews 1:3; Hebrews 10:12) But we can be sure that Jesus is not sitting there doing nothing. He is there for us.

Hebrews 9:24 tells us that Jesus is in heaven to appear in the presence of God for .

Romans 8:34 tells us what Jesus is not doing for us at God's right hand. Finish copying the verse.

"... It is Christ that died, yea rather, that is risen again who is even who also maketh (prayers)

When we ask God to forgive our sin, Jesus hears us. Then He can say to God, "Please forgive him or her. I died for that sinner. See the nail holes in my hands and feet. See the spear hole in my side. Forgive that sinner, because I died in his place."

Arise, my soul, arise
Shake off thy guilty fears;
The bleeding Sacrifice appears.
Before the throne my Surety stands;
My name is written on His hands.
My name is written on His hands.

Five bleeding wounds He bears,
Received on Calvary;
They pour effectual prayers,
They strongly plead for me;
"Forgive him, O forgive," they cry,
"Nor let that ransomed sinner die!
Nor let that ransomed sinner die!"

The Father hears Him pray,
His dear anointed One;
He cannot turn away
The presence of His Son:
His Spirit answers to the blood,
And tells me I am born of God,
And tells me I am born of God.

Charles Wesley

JESUS IS COMING AGAIN

We cannot close this course without words of the angels. As soon as Jesus was taken up into heaven, two angels suddenly came to the disciples. Write down what the angels said to the disciples. (Acts 1:11)

Any day or night God's great trumpet will sound. (1 Thessalonians 4:13-18) The same Jesus who went up into heaven will come back. He went away in a cloud. He will come back the same way as He went away. He may come very soon. Will you be ready to go up to meet Him in the cloud when He comes. You and I are the ones Jesus died to save; to save us from our sin; to give us eternal life; to keep us safe from Satan's power and from hell.

"God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life." (John 3:16)

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