

# STORY alive

pointing little hearts to  
God one truth at a time

**SALVATION IS FOUND IN CHRIST  
ALONE. ONE DAY HE WILL COME  
BACK TO MAKE ALL THINGS NEW.**

Matthew 28:16–20  
(The Great Commission)  
Acts 1:1–11 (The Ascension)

## Story Alive Family Bible Pack

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## VERSE

Why do you stand here looking into the sky? This same Jesus who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven. [Acts 1:11, NIV]

## CREATE

Jesus Ascends  
to Heaven  
Paper Plate Craft

## EXPLORE

Go outside and look up at the clouds. Talk about what it might have been like the day that Jesus ascended into heaven. Take a moment to think about and celebrate the day our King will return and make all things new!

Retell the stories of the Great Commission and Ascension with toys.

Use a balloon filled with helium to show your kids how Jesus ascended into heaven. In your home, invite them to let the balloon go and watch it rise to the ceiling. Talk about how Jesus will be back in the same way he was taken up! (Acts 1:11)

## READ

Matthew 28:16–20  
Acts 1:1–11

Jesus Storybook Bible:  
Going Home

## ENGAGE

Enjoy the blueberry (sky)  
and whipped cream (clouds)  
snack

## LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

What does it  
feel like to say  
goodbye?

What do you think  
Jesus' disciples felt  
when they saw Him  
go up in the sky?

What did Jesus  
tell His disciples  
to do after  
He left?

What will our  
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# JESUS ASCENDS PAPER PLATE CRAFT



## You'll Need:

- Jesus Ascends Paper Plate Craft Printables
- White Cardstock
- Crayons, Markers, or Colored Pencils
- White Paper Plate
- Scissors
- Cotton Balls
- Stapler (or you could also use glue)
- Yarn or Ribbon
- Gluestick



## Instructions:

- 1 Print the Jesus Ascends paper Plate Craft Printable on cardstock.
- 2 Color the half circle blue + the JESUS tag however you choose. Cut out each piece.
- 3 Color the outside of the paper plate blue. Use scissors to cut the plate in half.
- 4 Glue the colored half circle (with the verse) onto one of the paper plate halves.
- 5 Cut a piece of ribbon (about 14") and tie a loop on one end. Put the ribbon between the two plates with the loop at the top and staple the top of the plates together with the blue side facing out. Be sure not to staple the ribbon so that it's able to pull up and down.
- 6 Attach the colored JESUS tag to the end of the ribbon with glue (or tape) and glue the cotton balls onto the blue plate.
- 7 Pull the loop up and watch the JESUS tag ascend (represents Jesus) Invite your kids to retell the story and act out what happened with their finished craft.

## MAIN IDEA + VERSE CARDS

Print these two pages on heavy cardstock front and back so that you can have the main idea on one side and the questions on the other as well as one verse on each side of a separate card. Use scissors to cut around each square to create individual cards. You can also laminate these pages for added durability.

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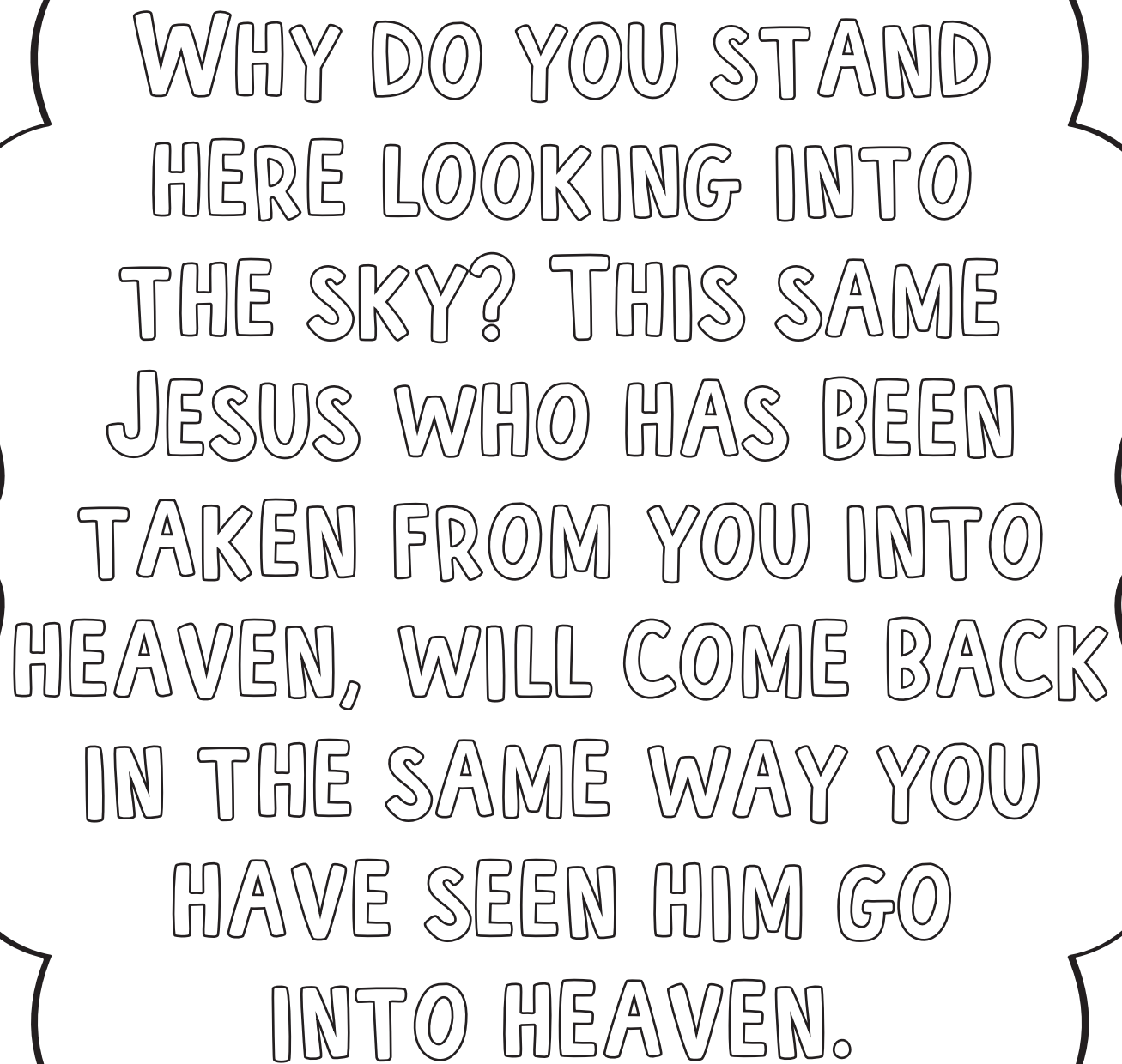
What do you think Jesus' disciples felt when they saw Him go up in the sky?

What did Jesus tell His disciples to do after He left?

What will our King do when He returns again one day?

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.

Matthew 28:19–20, NIV



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## BLUBERRY SKY + WHIPPED CREAM CLOUDS SNACK

### You'll Need:

- Blueberries
- Whipped Cream
- Cups + Spoons for Serving



### Instructions:

- 1 Layer the blueberries and whipped cream in a cup.
- 2 Serve and enjoy!
- 3 Read Acts 1:1-11 while your kids are enjoying their snack and talk about how the blueberries represent the sky and the whipped cream represents the clouds. This is also a great time to talk about the discussion questions!

## GREAT COMMISSION + ASCENSION PRETEND PLAY

### You'll Need:

- Small toy people (Jesus and His disciples)
- Cotton Balls (for the cloud that hid Jesus from the disciples sight)

### Instructions:

- 1 Grab your favorite toy people.
- 2 Pretend, play, and imagine what it would be like to be with Jesus when He gave the Great Commission and also when He ascended to heaven.





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Print this page on heavy cardstock and color with crayons or colored pencils. Cut around each piece and follow the Jesus Ascends Paper Plate Craft instructions to assemble.

