



At-A-Glance: Ages 2-3
Kings & Kingdoms Part 1: The Life of Jesus
Unit 4, Lesson 22

The King Ascends

Lesson Aim: To know Jesus is in heaven.

THE WELCOME TREASURE CHEST

CENTERS

- COLORING CENTER: Jesus Goes to Heaven
- PLAY-DOUGH CENTER: Praising Jesus
- DISCOVERY CENTER: Up to Heaven
- ACTIVITY CENTER: Jesus Is with You

THE WORSHIP JESUS AS THE KING WHO ROSE

It's Praise Time—our time to sing praise to King Jesus who rose to life. In our story today, Jesus is taken up to heaven. He is in heaven right now. Point up. Let's pray to Jesus who is in heaven (point up). Have children bow their heads and close their eyes. Dear Jesus, we look up to heaven and we praise You. We look forward to the day when You will come back again. Amen.

Sing the Bible Memory Verse Song and other related songs.

OFFERING: Collect the offering.

WORSHIP ILLUSTRATION: *The Adventures of Delbert & Lello* puppet script or storybook

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE: Practice Bible Memory Verse with motions.

THE WORD JESUS IS TAKEN UP TO HEAVEN CLASSROOM PROMISE

Hold the balloon down in front of you. **Who likes balloons? What do you like about balloons? I like watching them float in the air.** Hold onto the ribbon or string but let the balloon rise as high as possible. **What direction did the balloon go?** (Up.)

Pull the balloon back down toward you. **In our story today, Jesus is talking with His friends one last time. After He said His goodbyes, He was taken up to heaven.** Let the balloon rise again. **Where is heaven?** (Up.) **Can you look up toward heaven? Now,**

let's look at our storybook and listen. Handle the Bible as a special treasure, leaving it open to Acts 1:9.

WATCH THE WORD: ACTS 1:8B-11

Read poem. Display visual.

- It was time for King Jesus to go to His throne.
- He did not plan to leave His followers alone.
- He promised His Holy Spirit to send;
- So He would be with us to the end.

- And then to His followers' surprise,
- He went up to heaven before their very eyes!
- They watched 'til He was hidden by a cloud,
- Then two men in white said this out loud:

- "Why do you look up today?
- Soon He'll come back in the very same way!"
- Nobody knows exactly when,
- But Jesus will come back again!

Jesus was taken up to heaven. Which way did Jesus go? (Up.)
What did the angels tell Jesus' friends? (Jesus will return!)

THE WAY JESUS IS IN HEAVEN

CRAFT: Jesus Goes to Heaven

GAMES: Look Up, Send Up Love

SNACK: Up in the Sky Sweets

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE
- PRAY
- PLAY
- DISMISSAL (Coloring page, craft, Ponder, Pray & Play)

GOT TIME?

SAY & DO: Acts 1:8b-11

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: "Do You Love Me?" Dance
STORY TIME