

STUDY AIDS

Story 42 Jesus Returns To Heaven

A Bible Story from the Books of Matthew, Mark, Luke, John & Acts

42 - JESUS RETURNS TO HEAVEN

OPEN BIBLE STORIES



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A Guide to Using the Stories in the Open Bible Stories

The Reason For The Stories

The stories in the OBS tell about things that happened in the Bible. However, the stories are shorter than the Bible accounts, and the language is often easier to understand. The stories can help people learn about who God is and about what he has done. Also, each paragraph of a story has an image that can help people understand what happened in Bible times when clothing, houses, and culture were very different than they are today.

How to Use The Stories

- **Choose a story to read.** The stories will be easier to understand if you read the stories in order, beginning with the first story
- **Read the story.** In a group, one person may read the story aloud, or the people may take turns reading portions.
- **Look at the images.** Use the images to help you understand what happened in the time of the story. Try to identify the people in the images.
- **Refer to the Notes.** Read the study notes whenever there is a word or something else that you do not understand in the story.
- **Discuss the Questions.** Read each question and think about the answer. The first set of questions help you see what the story says. The next set of questions help you think about what the story means to you. If you are in a group, allow different people to offer answers to the questions. Look at the answer to each question and see how it is the same as your answer, or different from it.
- **Read the Summary.** Read the story summary at the end of the questions. Think about what you have learned about God in the story. If you are in a group, ask the group what they have learned from the story.

The Parts of The Stories

- The text of the stories
- The images in the stories
- The study notes in the stories
- The questions for the stories

Study Notes

Slide 1

On the day that God raised Jesus from the dead, two of his disciples were going to a nearby town. As they walked, they talked about what had happened to Jesus. They had hoped he was the Messiah, but he was killed. Now **the women said he was alive again**. They did not know what to believe.

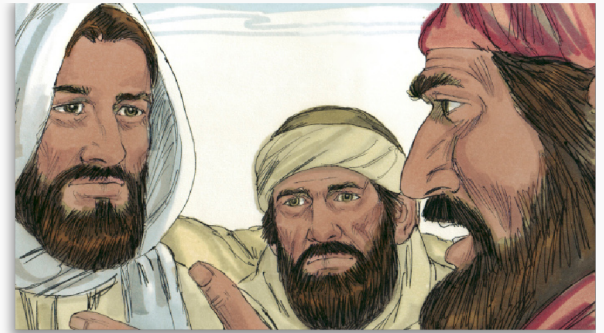
the women said he was alive again - The women told the disciples that Jesus was alive.



Slide 2

Jesus approached them and started walking with them, but they did not recognize him. He asked what they were talking about. They told him about **all the things that had happened** to Jesus during the previous few days. They thought they were talking to a foreigner who did not know what had happened in Jerusalem.

all the things that had happened - This refers to the teaching and miracles of Jesus, his death, and the reports of his resurrection.



Slide 3

Then Jesus explained to them what God's word said about the Messiah. Long ago, prophets had said that evil men would make the Messiah suffer and die. But the prophets also said he would rise again **on the third day**.

on the third day - This refers to the third day after his death.

