

“JESUS HAD TO RETURN TO HEAVEN THE WAY HE DID...”

*“The Story of Christmas” – Part Five
(Acts 1:8-11)*

Note: The Ascension of Christ was prophesied in the Old Testament (*Psalm 68:18 & Psalm 110:1*).

I. THE ASCENSION EXPLAINS {WHERE JESUS IS}!

**Ephesians 1:20-22* **John 7:33* **John 16:28* **Mark 16:19-20*
**Acts 9:3-6* **Revelation 1:9-13* **Revelation 1:17-18* **Matthew 28:18*

Note: Jesus made many Post-Ascension appearances.

II. THE ASCENSION EXPLAINS {WHAT JESUS IS DOING} !

**Romans 8:34* **1 John 2:1-2* **Jude 24-25* **Hebrews 7:25*

Note: The ascended Jesus is interceding for believers in Heaven!

III. THE ASCENSION EXPLAINS {WHY JESUS HAD TO LEAVE}!

**John 16:7* **John 14:16-18* **Ephesians 4:8* **John 14:2-3*

1. Jesus had to leave so the Holy Spirit could be sent.
2. Jesus had to leave so the gifts of the Spirit could be sent.