

Ascension Day.

Today is Ascension Day! May you be blessed and comforted by the faith-knowledge that our Head and our King was enthroned in heaven and was given all authority in heaven and earth!

Here follow a few questions and answers, helping us to understand the significance of his glorious rule in heaven.

1. What does "He ascended into heaven" means?

That Christ, in the sight of his disciples, according to his human nature was taken up from the earth into heaven, and continues to be there in a position of divine authority and power until he shall come again to judge the living and the dead.

2. Is Christ then not with us as he has promised?

Christ is true man and true God. According to his human nature he is now not on earth but in heaven, but as our God, Saviour and King he is never absent from us!

3. What benefits do we have because Jesus Christ ascended into heaven?

Firstly: He is our Advocate in the presence of his Father in heaven, always praying for us.

Secondly: because he is in heaven as a human being, we know that he as our Head will also take us there.

Thirdly: He sends his Spirit to us by whose power we seek those things which are above, where Christ sits at the right hand of God, and not the things on the earth. The glorious Christ, enthroned in heaven, pours heavenly gifts on us, defending us against all our enemies and protecting us from evil.

*Praise the Lord, for He is glorious!
Never shall His promise fail.
Christ has made His saints victorious,
sin and death shall not prevail.
Praise the God of our salvation!
Hosts on high, His power proclaim;
Heaven and earth and all creation,
laud and magnify His Name.*

*Worship, honour, glory, blessing,
Lord, we offer to Your Name.
Young and old, Your praise expressing,
join their Saviour to proclaim.
As the saints in heaven adore You,
we would bow before Your throne,
As Your angels serve before You,
so on earth Your will be done.*