

Jesus Ascended: Notes

Painting: "The Ascension." Ford Madox Brown (1821-1893).

Intro: The Ascension

God's Big Story in Seven Chapters:

C, F, I, C, R, A, R

Four chapter centered on Jesus: I, C, R, A

Overview:

Incarnation:

Crucifixion:

Resurrection:

Ascension:

Scripture for today: Acts: 1:1-11 (NLT)

Three of the Ascension's Principal Elements:

1. The Ascension Both Completes and Continues the Incarnation—Jesus Remains Forever the God-Man

John 1:14; Acts 1:9-11; Luke 24:50-53; Heb 4:14-16, 7:24-25

Why inseparable?

2. The Ascension Completes the Resurrection and Enthrones Christ as Victor—It Is His Public Exaltation

Eph 1:20–23, 4:8–10; Acts 2:32–36; Psalm 110:1

Why inseparable?

3. The Ascension Beautifully Connects Christ’s Ongoing Heavenly Ministry and Our Union with Him

Heb 7:25; John 16:7; Eph 4:7–10

Why inseparable?

Summing Up:

If there was no Incarnation...

If there *was* the Incarnation, but *without* the Crucifixion...

If there *was* the Incarnation *with* the Crucifixion, but *without* the Resurrection...

If there *was* the Incarnation *with* the Crucifixion and *with* Resurrection, but *without* the Ascension...

The Ascension declares, “It is finished! He reigns! He is coming again!”