



Word Notes - Sunday 9 December 2018

Back to the Future – What is meant to be, always finds a way

Use the passages below to review the prophecies from the Old Testament about the resurrection and ascension of Jesus

(If you have enough people you might like to split into two groups, one group to find and summarise the Old Testament passages and the other to summarise the New Testament passages, then see if you can match the prophecy with the fulfilment)

Discuss how the prophecies were fulfilled through the resurrection and ascension

Rose from the dead! (Psalm 16:10; Mark 16:6; Acts 2:31)

Ascended into Heaven (Psalm 68:18; Acts 1:9)

Sat down at the right hand of God (Psalm 110:1; Hebrews 1:3)

Discuss the 5 ways that the resurrection and ascension of Jesus benefits us as Christians

1. It establishes Jesus as the reigning king over all powers in all ages.
2. It gives us access to God's throne for mercy and grace
3. It provides an Advocate on earth whose presence is limitless
4. It gives us the spoils of Christ's victory—gifted leaders and spiritual gifts
5. It keeps us longing for his return

Impact for personal lives

Are there areas of our lives that we have not given over 100% to God?

Do we truly appreciate that Jesus intercedes with God on our behalf, are there areas of our lives where we have not asked Him to help?