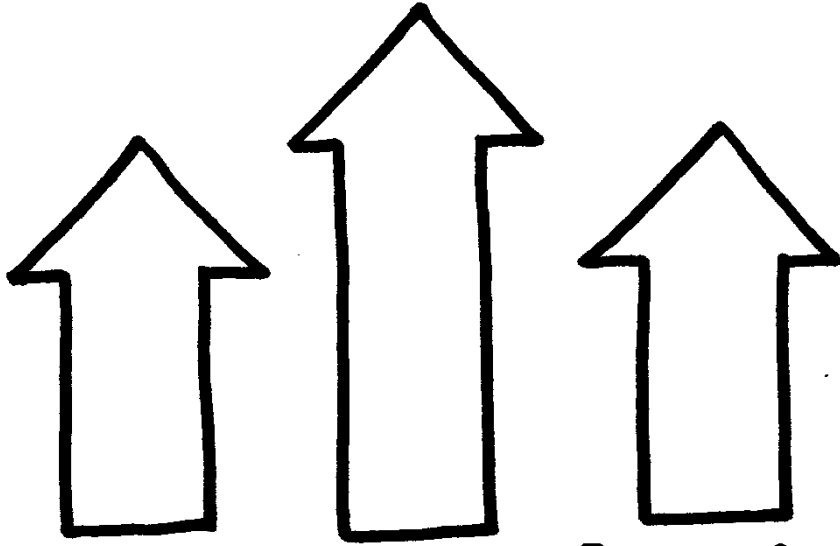


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~Acts 1:9

ASCENSION: ACTS 1:8-11

[Jesus said] “You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”⁹When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.¹⁰While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them.¹¹They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

- Why do you think that Jesus ascends to heaven, instead of staying on earth?
- Why send the Holy Spirit?
- What are you looking forward to?

Risen Christ, thank you for making a place for us in heaven. Send your Holy Spirit among us, that we may be your risen people. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.