

# Jesus' Appearance to the Disciples: The Great Statements of the Christian Faith

Luke 24:36–49

(Mk. 16:14; Jn. 20:19-23; 20:26-21:25)

<p><b>1. The first statement:</b> <i>Jesus is risen</i></p> <p>a. Jesus' first words: Peace</p> <p>b. Jesus' impact</p> <p>1) The disciples were startled and frightened</p> <p>2) The disciples were troubled and silently questioning what they were seeing</p> <p>c. Jesus' proof</p> <p>1) He is flesh and bones</p> <p>2) He showed them his wounds</p> <p>3) He talked</p> <p>4) He ate</p>	<p>36 While they were still talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be unto you."</p> <p>37 They were startled and frightened, thinking they saw a ghost.</p> <p>38 He said to them, "Why are ye troubled, and why do doubts rise in your minds?"</p> <p>39 Look at my hands and my feet. It is I myself! Touch me and see; a ghost does not have flesh and bones, as you see I have."</p> <p>40 When he had said this, he showed them his hands and feet.</p> <p>41 And while they still did not believe it because of joy and amazement, he asked them, "Do you have anything here to eat?"</p> <p>42 They gave him a piece of broiled fish,</p> <p>43 And he took it and ate it in their presence.</p>
<p><b>2. The second statement:</b> <i>All Scripture must be fulfilled</i></p> <p>a. The forewarning</p> <p>b. The utter necessity</p>	<p>44 He said to them, "This is what I told you while I was still with you: Everything must be fulfilled that is written about me in the law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms."</p>

<p>c. The spiritual insight needed to understand the Scriptures</p> <p>d. The particular prophecies that must be understood</p> <p>1) Christ must suffer and arise</p> <p>2) Repentance and forgiveness must be preached</p> <p>3) The Holy Spirit and His power must be sent</p>	<p>45 Then he opened their minds so that they could understand the Scriptures.</p> <p>46 He told them, “This is what is written: The Messiah will suffer, and rise from the dead on the third day:</p> <p>47 And repentance and forgiveness of sins will be preached in his name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.</p> <p>48 You are witnesses of these things.</p> <p>49 I am going to send you what my Father has promised; but stay in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”</p>
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## Jesus’ Last Appearance: The Ascension

Luke 24:50–53

(Mk. 16:19-20; Acts 1:9-11)

<p><b>1. <i>The purpose of the ascension</i></b></p> <p>a. To bless</p> <p>b. To provide a witness and give great assurance</p> <p><b>2. <i>The disciples’ response to the ascension</i></b></p> <p>a. Worshipped Him</p> <p>b. Were filled with joy</p> <p>c. Worshipped in the temple — continually</p>	<p>50 When he had led them out to the vicinity of Bethany, he lifted up his hands and blessed them.</p> <p>51 While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up into heaven.</p> <p>52 Then they worshiped him and returned to Jerusalem with great joy.</p> <p>53 And they stayed continually at the temple, praising God.</p>
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