

MULLABRACK & KILCLUNEY

KIDS ZONE

Sunday 24th May

Talking time



- Jesus died on the cross, then He raised from the dead. He stayed on the earth 40 days and this was His last day on earth.
- Is this part of the story that children know about or is this the first time they have heard it?
- Jesus went up into the sky!
- He has promised He will come back to the earth one day and make everything new - talk about this with your children.

Theme



Jesus'
ascension

Bible



Luke

24:50-53

Jesus storybook:
going home

Family challenge



- DIY cloud experiment
- Please see attached messy church pdf

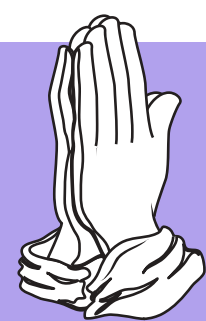
Worship song



- Jesus came from Heaven to earth.
- From the earth to the cross.
- From the cross to the grave.
- From the grave to the sky.

Lord I lift your name on high

Prayer



- For prayer activity please see attached messy church pdf
- Bubble prayers

Family challenge



DIY CLOUD

- You will need:
- A glass jar with a lid
- Four to five ice cubes
- Warm water
- Hairspray / deodorant or similar aerosol spray.

Make a mini cloud! Warm your jar up by putting the warm (not boiling) water in it and swirling it around (let an adult help). Drop the ice cubes in and quickly put the lid on. Then squirt a blast of hairspray or deodorant into the jar and clap the lid back on as quickly as you can. Watch carefully as you take the lid off and release your cloudy pillar!

- Talk about the science: you need three things to make a cloud – warm, moist air, something to cool it down and something to form the nucleus of a droplet.
- Usually in a raincloud, the nuclei would be provided by specks of dust – here it's the hairspray.
- Talk as well about stories in the Bible where God's glory is shown in a cloud – perhaps the most famous one is when God guides the people through the desert by having them follow the pillar of cloud by day (Exodus 13).
- In today's story, a cloud takes Jesus away from the disciples.

Prayer

Bubble prayers

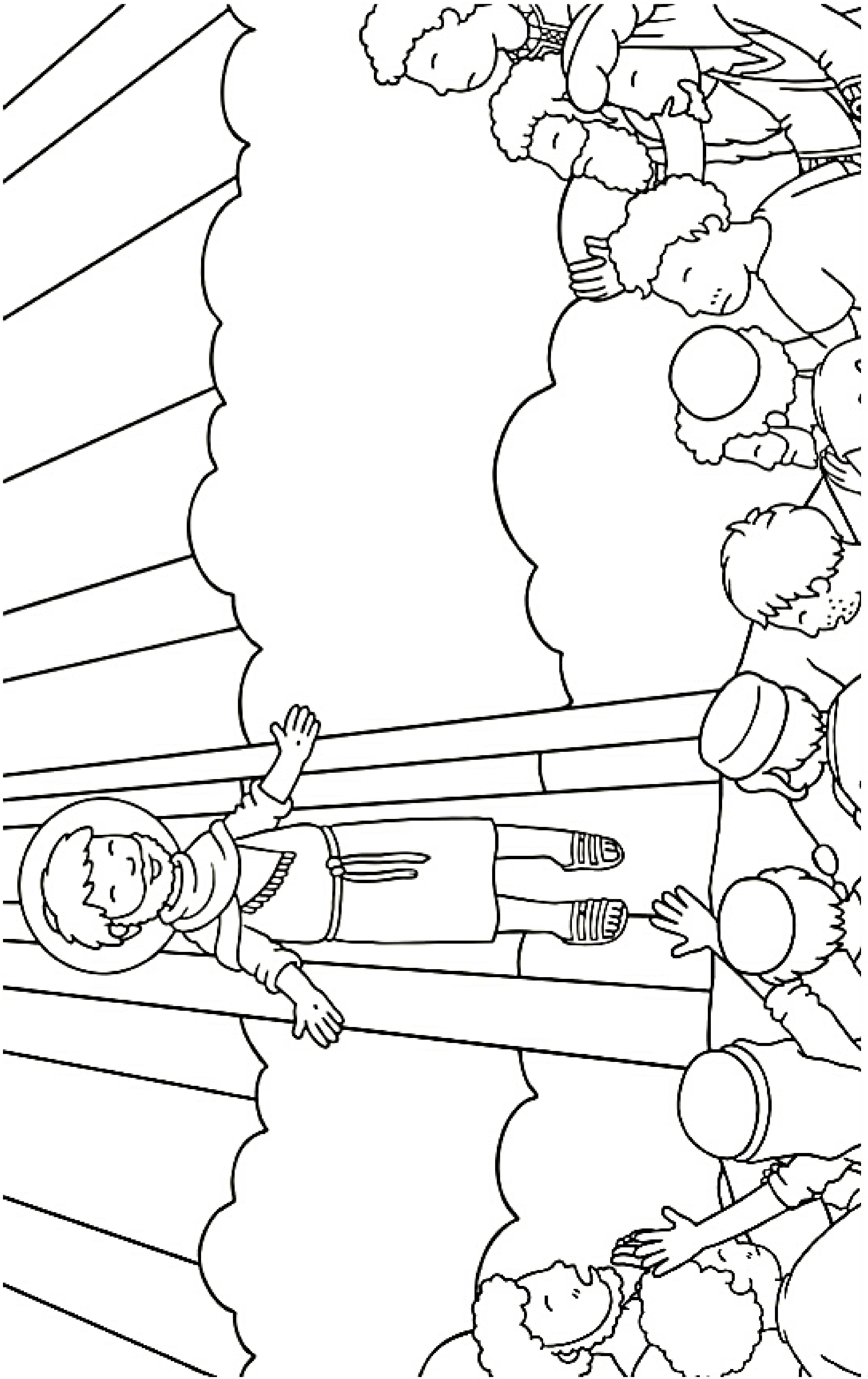
You will need:

- bubble mixture
- blowers

Ideally do this outside.

- Take it in turns to blow bubbles and invite everyone to 'spot' or watch one particular bubble until it disappears from view.
- At that moment, invite them to say a silent prayer.
- If you take it in turns to blow bubbles, you could theme the prayers with one theme per person.
- They might think of their own theme, or you could use some of these: people in hospital, healthcare workers, friends, family, government, countries without such good healthcare, anyone sad, each of you by name, teachers, people in your church...
- What or who else do you want to pray for?
- Talk about watching the bubbles carefully and seeing them disappear.
- Jesus' first disciples were watching him carefully when he disappeared from sight in the story today.





The Ascension Missing Vowels

Fill in the missing vowels to find the mission that Jesus gave his apostles before he ascended into heaven. You can look at Acts 1:8 for the answers.

B__t y__ _ w_ll r_c__ _v__ p_w_r wh_n th__
H_ly Sp_r_t c_m_s __p_n y__ ; __nd y__ _
w_ll b__ my w_tn_ss_s __n J_r_s_l_m,
thr__gh__t J_d__ _nd S_m_r__, __v_n
t__ th__ _nds __f th__ __rth.

Fill in the missing vowels to find what happened after Jesus said this. You can look at Acts 1:9 for the answers.

__ft_r J_s_s s__d th_s, h__ w_s t_k_n __p
b__f_r__ th__r __y_s __nd __ cl__d
h_d h_m fr_m th__r s_gh_t.



The Ascension

On Ascension Day we hear how forty days after He rose from the dead on Easter Sunday, Jesus ascended (went up) to heaven, to his Father. The apostles saw this happen.

'...he (Jesus) was taken up before their eyes'

Complete the picture by drawing Jesus ascending to heaven.

Colour the picture.

