

# Ascension Thursday : Easter to Pentecost 4



After forty days on the earth meeting and visiting his friends, Jesus went to the top of a high mountain. Here he promised to send someone to give them extra courage. This day we know as Ascension Thursday . He also gave them the power to forgive people's sins. Jesus was making them priests. Then Jesus disappeared from their view. He had returned to his Father in Heaven.

The path up the hill was stony and rough,  
The journey to the top was really tough,  
They climbed and climbed, like mountain goats,  
Dust in their eyes, and the back of their throats.

At the top Jesus sat on a smooth round stone,  
He said my friends, "I'm going home!  
Before I leave , to sit at God's right knee,  
I've something to say, please listen to me."



"You must all go out, tell people about me,  
Spread it over the land and over the sea,  
Convert all the people to God above,  
Show them his kindness, his wonderful love."

He took each hand and held them tight,  
His grip was steady, his eyes were bright,  
"I'm going away, but do not fear,  
The Holy Spirit will soon be here."

"You can forgive people's sins , with a wave of your hands,  
As you spread my words in foreign lands."  
He smiled at them, saying "God Bless you."  
Then quickly vanished from their view.

