THE ASCENSION.

Aft-er this Je-sus saw his dis-ci-ples man-y times, aft-er that he had ris-en from the dead, and be-fore he left the earth, and he ex-plained to them how they were to car-ry on God's work of bring-ing all men to be-lieve on him. One day they were gath-ered to-geth-er out in a lone-ly place, and Je-sus was talk-ing to them. Sud-den-ly he was lift-ed in-to the air, and a cloud took him up out of their sight. And while they were gaz-ing at the sky in won-der and fear, two an-gels, clothed in white, came and stood beside them, and told them that Je-sus was to come to earth a-gain, just as they now saw him leaving it. Then the dis-ci-ples a-rose and went to Je-ru-sa-lem. This was the end of the life of Je-sus on earth. He had fin-ished the work that God had giv-en him to do. He had suf-fered and died for us. He had laid a-side his glo-ry, to grow from a babe in a hum-ble home to a man, and to go a-bout a-mong the poor and need-y. Now he was as-cend-ed in-to heav-en, to sit on the right hand of God, in all the glo-ry which he had had be-fore he come to earth; yes, be-fore the world was. From there he will came to judge all men, the liv-ing and the dead. 572