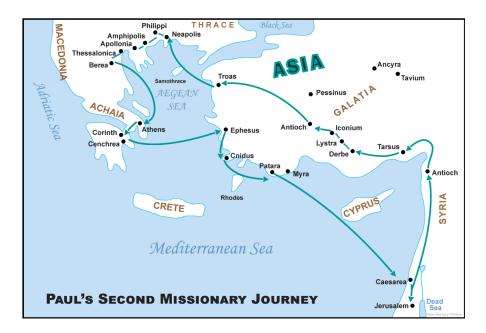
Introduction: Why did the disciples have great joy when Jesus ascended?" (Luke 24:52)

There are three reasons that Jesus' ascension should cause us to worship Him and rejoice:

- 1. Jesus' ascension should cause us to worship Him and rejoice because it signifies the completion of His earthly ministry.
- "I have brought you glory on earth by finishing the work you gave me to do" John 17:4 NIV.
- 2. Jesus' ascension should cause us to worship him because the ascension began an intercessory ministry for us. (Rom. 8:34; Heb. 7:25)
- 3. Jesus' ascension should cause us to worship Him and rejoice because it signifies the beginning of His heavenly mission through the power of the Holy Spirit.



Jeremiah 29:11-13, "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me, and I will hear you. You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart."