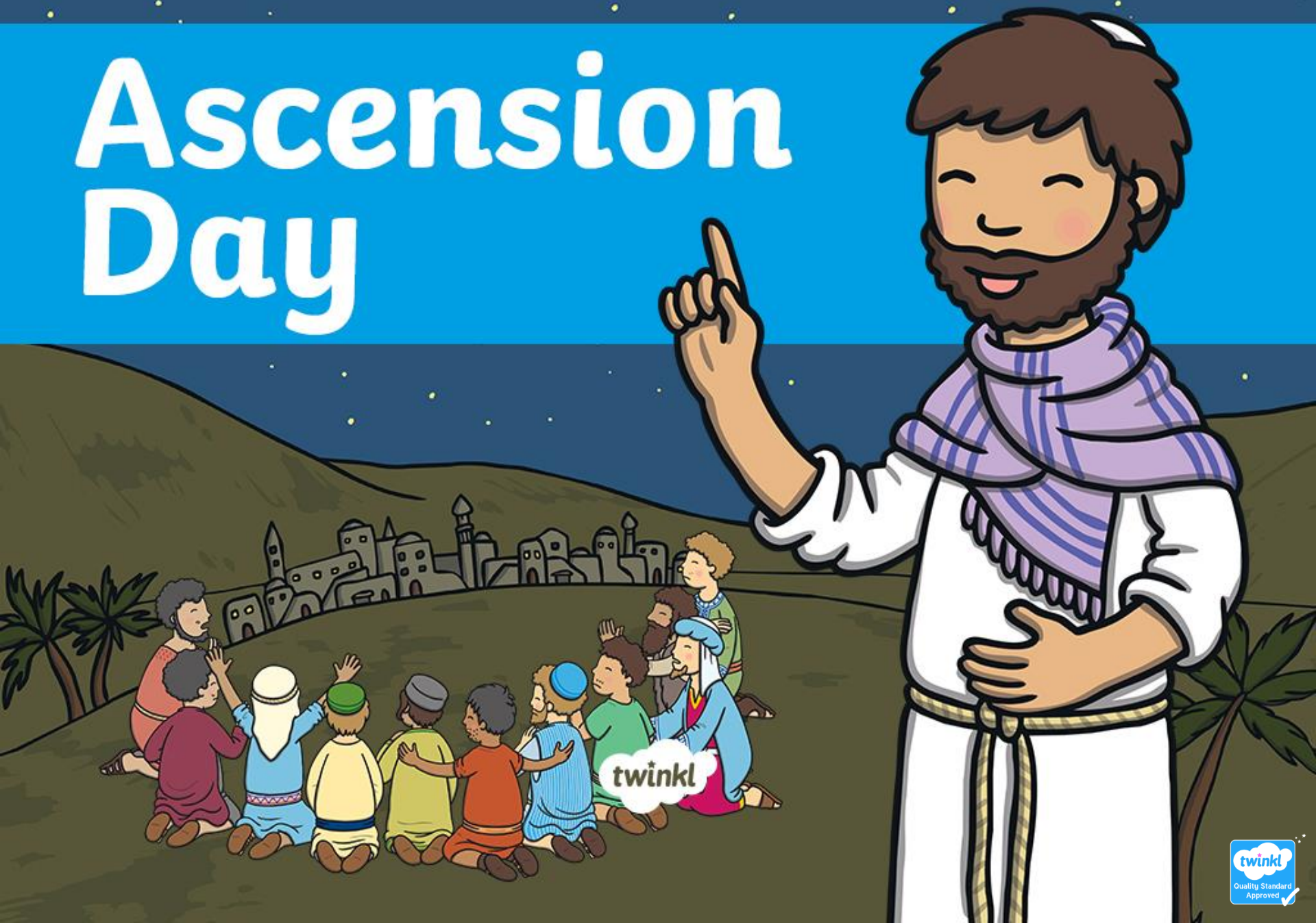


Ascension Day



Timeline of Events



Palm Sunday – Jesus arrives in Jerusalem.

Maundy Thursday – Jesus has a meal with his special friends.



Good Friday – Jesus dies.

Easter Sunday – Jesus comes back to life.

40 days later – Jesus goes back to heaven.

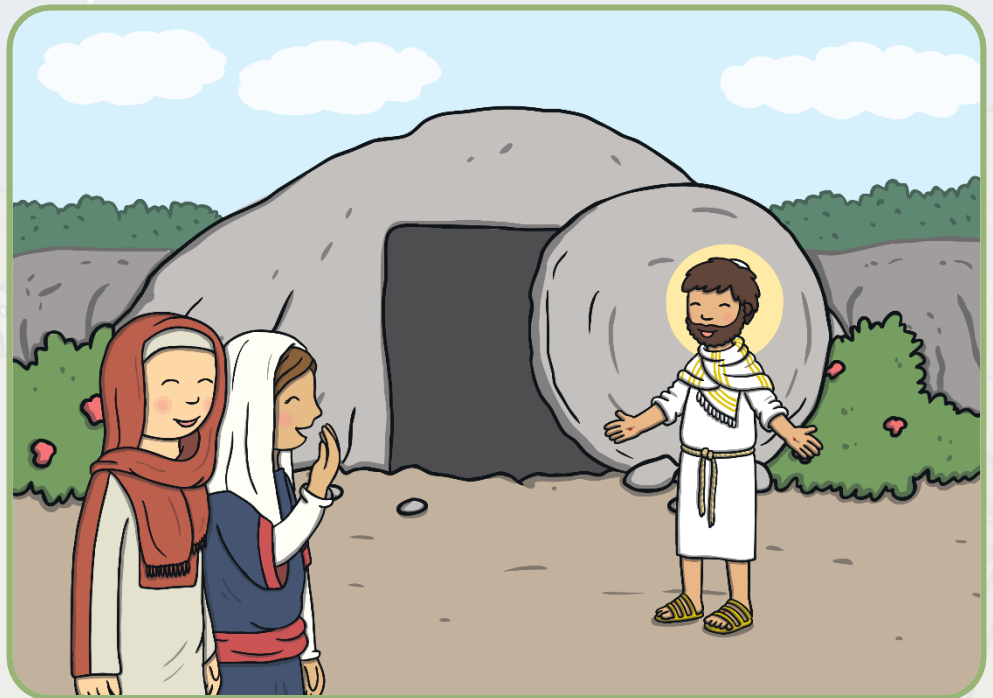


Who Saw Jesus?

After Jesus came back to life, he spent 40 days with his friends. The first person he appeared to was his special friend Mary. She was sitting crying next to where Jesus had been buried.

Think about It

How do you think Mary felt when she saw Jesus?



Who Saw Jesus?

Two of Jesus' friends were walking to a place called Emmaus.

In those days, there weren't cars so most people walked even on long journeys.

All of a sudden, Jesus appeared next to them. At first they didn't even realise who he was!

Jesus talked to them about God and how to be good people.

After he had left, his friends realised they had been talking to Jesus.



Is It a Ghost?



Some of Jesus' friends were so frightened when they saw him, they thought he was a ghost!

Jesus told them to touch his hand and his feet to prove that he wasn't a ghost.

I Don't Believe It!

One of Jesus' special friends called Thomas hadn't yet seen Jesus. When the others told him that Jesus had come back to life, he didn't believe them.

"I won't believe that Jesus is alive unless I see him and touch him." said Thomas.

All of a sudden, Jesus appeared in front of Thomas.
"My Lord and my God!" said Thomas.

"You believe I am alive because you've seen me," Jesus told Thomas. "Other people will believe even though they haven't seen me."



Jesus Returns to Heaven

Jesus explained to his friends that he would soon be going back to heaven.

Although they felt sad, Jesus' friends knew he had given them an important job.

This job was to tell people all around the world that Jesus had come back to life and was the son of God.



Jesus Returns to Heaven



All of a sudden, a cloud came down from the sky and surrounded Jesus. Gradually, Jesus floated up into the sky until his friends couldn't see him anymore.

Two angels suddenly appeared with Jesus' friends.

"Why are you staring up at the sky?" one of the angels asked. "One day you will see Jesus again."

Jesus' Friends Get to Work

Jesus' friends did the job he had given them.

They went all over the world telling everyone about Jesus.





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