



JESUS was...

Taken Up

Key Scripture

Acts 1:11 NKJV

..."Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven?

This same **Jesus, who was taken up** from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven."

JESUS was...Taken Up. Why?

✓ To fulfill His Words and Scripture.

John 16:28 NIV

I came from the Father and entered the world; **now I am leaving the world and going back to the Father.**"

✓ To prepare a place for His disciples.

John 14:1-3 NKJV

1 "Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me.
2 In My Father's house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. **I go to prepare a place for you.** 3 And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.

✓ To make intercession for you.

Hebrews 4:14-15 NLT

14 So then, since **we have a great High Priest who has entered heaven,** Jesus the Son of God, let us hold firmly to what we believe.

15 This **High Priest of ours understands our weaknesses,** for He faced all of the same testings we do, yet he did not sin.

✓ To send the Holy Spirit for believers.

John 16:7 NKJV

Nevertheless I tell you the truth. **It is to your advantage that I go away;** for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you; but if I depart, **I will send Him to you.**

✓ To take His place of honor and power.

Acts 2:33 CEV

Jesus was taken up to sit at the right side of God

Take Up -_hupsoo: to lift up, exalt.

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Take Jesus Up

1. Take Him Up On His **Words.**

John 8:28 NLT

So Jesus said, "**When you have lifted up the Son of Man on the cross,** then you will understand that I AM he. I do nothing on my own but **say only what the Father taught me.**"

John 6:68 NKJV

But Simon Peter answered Him,

"Lord, to whom shall we go? **You have the words of eternal life.**

2. Take Him Up On His **Challenge.**

Matthew 16:24 NLT

Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If any of you wants to be my follower, you must turn from your selfish ways, **take up your cross,** and follow me.

3. Take Him Up On His **Promises.**

John 14:12-14 NIV

12 I tell you the truth, anyone who has faith in me will do what I have been doing. **He will do even greater things** than these, **because I am going to the Father.**
13 And I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Son may bring glory to the Father. 14 You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it.

4. Take Him Up On His **Mission.**

Mark 16:19-20 NIV

19 After the Lord Jesus had spoken to them, **he was taken up into heaven** and he sat at the right hand of God. 20 Then **the disciples went out and preached everywhere, and the Lord worked with them and confirmed his word by the signs that accompanied it.**

5. Take Him Up On His **Invitation.**

Revelation 3:20-21 NLT

20 "Look! I stand at the door and knock, **if you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in,** and we will share a meal together as friends. 21 Those who are victorious will sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat with my Father on his throne.

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