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His Grace Bishop Neofitos issues message on Ascension day of our Lord Jesus Christ



“Attempt Great things for God, expect great things from God!

The Ascension of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

The mission of His Gospel begins! He left here for everywhere!

There are three quick things, and all I can do now is mention them, about the ascension of Jesus. It gives to us, first of all, an explanation as to why Jesus never appeared again. You know, if they hadn’t seen Jesus ascend into the cloud, they might have always been waiting for Him to appear again. It was a very public statement that this now was the final thing that He was going to do until His Second Coming.

Secondly, it explains in a visible way that in a sense, He was being “promoted.” He was being lifted up. He was taking His humanity to the throne of God.

And thirdly, it gave to the disciples, you and I a little glimpse of what the next great redemptive event will be. You see, it’s not Israel. It’s not anything to do with Jerusalem. It’s the Second Coming of Jesus. And how will that Second Coming occur? On a cloud. With the angels. With the trumpet of God. And the dead will rise.

And in that period between the first disappearing of Jesus at His ascension and His reappearing at His Second Coming, He’s saying to you and I; The mission of His gospel is at hand, Get the vision of world mission, and world evangelism to the end of the ages!”

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