## **Ephesians 4:8-10**

Ephesians 4:8 "Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.

**9** (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?

10 He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)"

Q1. Name the two things that were done when Jesus \_\_\_\_\_\_ up to Heaven.

A. He \_\_\_\_ captivity captive.

B. He \_\_\_\_\_ gifts unto men.

A. Jesus ascended to Heaven twice.

1. He ascended the first time on the day of his resurrection. .

John 20:17 "Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and *to* my God, and your God."

- Q2. Early Sunday morning, Jesus told Mary \_\_\_\_\_ to touch him, because he had not yet \_\_\_\_\_\_ to Heaven.
  - a. The bodies of the saved from Adam to Jesus was captive in the graves.
  - **b.** The bodies of the firstfruits were raised.

1 Corinthians 15: 22 "For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

23 But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming."

Q3. Christ the \_\_\_\_\_ (10%) were resurrected first.

1) The firstfruits were raised.

Matthew 27:52 "And the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose,

53 And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many."

Q4. The \_\_\_\_\_ were opened and \_\_\_\_\_ bodies of the saints arose \_\_\_\_\_ His resurrection and went into Jerusalem.

2) Early Sunday morning Jesus appeared to Mary. After that, Jesus took the firstfruits to Heaven. Jesus led captivity captive. Ephesians 4:8

John 20:19 "Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews,"

Luke 24:39 "Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have."

- 3) Later Sunday evening Jesus descended and let the disciples touch him.
- 2. He ascended the second time 40 Days later on the Mount of Olives.

Acts 1: 3 "To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:"

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Acts 1: 9 "And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight."

Q 5. As Jesus was taken \_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_ received him out of \_\_\_\_\_ sight.

a. Jesus gave gifts unto men. Ephesians 4:8

Ephesians 4:9 "(Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?"

Q6. Before Jesus ascended, he descended into the \_\_\_\_\_ parts of the earth.

Actgs 2: 31 "He seeing this before spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption."

Q7. Jesus would descend into \_\_\_\_\_.

Deuteronomy 32: 22 "For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and shall burn unto the lowest hell, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountains."

Q8. . Hell is in the \_\_\_\_\_.

Matthew 12:40 "For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth."

C. Jesus would preach to the souls in prision.

1 Peter 3: 19 "By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison;"

1. The angels that sinned in the days of Noah.

1 Peter 3: 20 "Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water."

1 Peter 4: 6 "For this cause was the gospel preached also to them that are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit."

Ephesians 4: 10 "He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)"

Q9. Jesus ascended up far above \_\_\_\_\_.

A. Heavens of heavens.

Psalm 148:44 "Praise him, ye heavens of heavens, and ye waters that *be* above the heavens."

Ephesians 4:10 "He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)"

Q10. That he might \_\_\_\_\_ all things.

A. All things must be fulfilled.

Luke 24: 44 "And he said unto them, These *are* the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and *in* the prophets, and *in* the psalms, concerning me."

**B.** Jesus will have the preeminence.

Colossians 1:18 "And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all *things* he might have the preeminence.

19 For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell;"

**C.** In Jesus is the fulness of the Trinity.

**Colossians 2: 9 "For in him dwelleth all the fulness of the Godhead bodily."**