



ASCENSION

of Jesus and Our Ascension in Him

The Ascension of Jesus

Luke 24:15-51

Acts 1: 1-12 (NLT)

The Historical Setting: The Mount of Olives



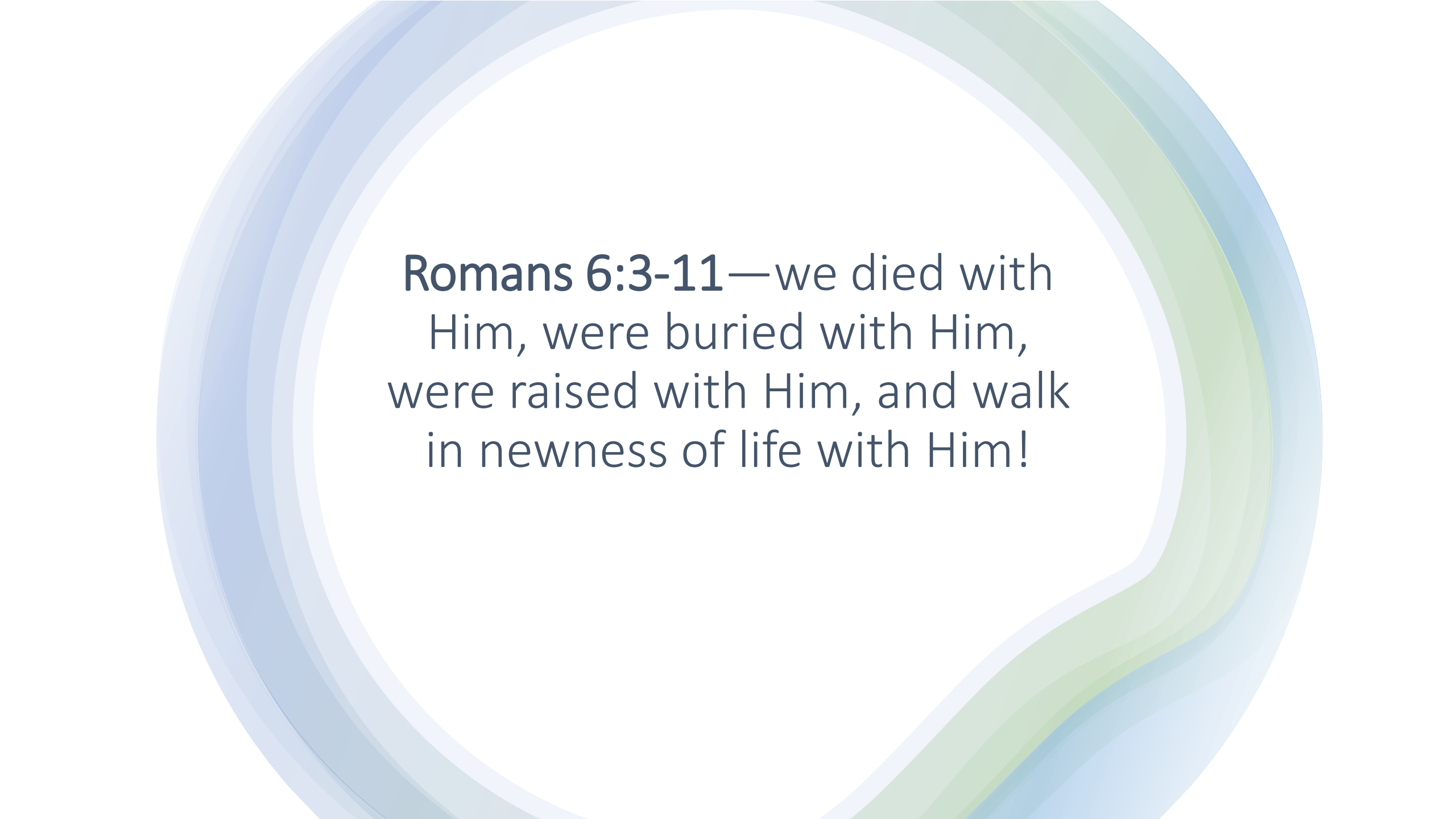
By what means did
He ascend, His own
or some other?





Clouds-- indicating some kind
of divine atmosphere
transformation

Our Ascension in Him –
Our Authority and Power
Over Satan, Sin, Self, and
Creation – by His
“enthroned” position, we
are enthroned with Him!




Romans 6:3-11—we died with
Him, were buried with Him,
were raised with Him, and walk
in newness of life with Him!



His resurrection, ascension,
seating, and dominion!

Eph. 1:19-23—He was raised and
seated, ruling over all demonic forces!



Our resurrection, ascension, seating, and dominion

Eph. 2: 4-7—we are made alive (resurrection) **with** Him; raised us up **with** Him (resurrection and ascension); and seated us **with** Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus –

- *3 “together withs”

- *Greek word for “with” sun/syn—indicating not “with” meaning “along side” “with” meaning intimately connected with, indissolubly woven together

Our Experience

Note: *A throne and at the right hand of God*—places of authority and power in the ancient world

Ephesians 1:20-22—Jesus' enthronement = authority and power (dominion) over all demonic forces

Eph. 6:10—Our enthronement in and with Him delegates the authority and power of His name to us: “Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of His might.” – note that it *is in Jesus and His strength that we do this warfare*

Because **He** is “far above,” **we** are “far above”!

As He is King, so we are “kings” in Him—and kings rule!

Romans 5:17—we are called to “reign in life” through Jesus Christ!
We are called to “kings and priests”

Rev. 1:6 Priests ask on behalf of others; kings command to produce obedience!

What do we rule over? – Sin, Sickness, Satan’s activity, Fallen Creation
Itself—weather, insects, animals, human activity not of God’s will –
we do this subject to the will of God in specific situations (delegated
authority, not absolute)

How total is our authority?

The authority we have is total “throne room” authority, but we experience now “in part” – we have a **down payment of the power of the Spirit**, but the fullness of the kingdom is to come

When will the fullness of our authority/power in Him be realized?
When we receive the fullness of our inheritance—the redemption of our bodies!

But until then, seek God’s will, and command in Jesus’ Name!

