

Introduction

- I. Jesus' ascension was an advancement in glory and exaltation (as Son of God in our flesh).
- II. Christ was taken up from earth into heaven and continues there for our interest.

**Our Ascended Advocate**

**I. The Amazing Gift**

- A. In I John 2:1, Jesus is identified as "an advocate with the Father."

- B. Application: we can then pray to our heavenly Father in the assurance that He hears.

**II. The Future Hope**

- A. Christ's ascension into heaven is a sure pledge that He will take us to Himself.

- B. This hope we have is certain (Hebrews 6).

**III. The Earthly Presence**

- A. Although He is in heaven, He is also with us.

- B. What a comfort this is to know Christ has not abandoned us, but is present with us.