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They worshipped him and went back to Jerusalem, filled with great joy, and spent all their time in the Temple giving thanks to God. (Lk 24:50)

## Questions

1. What does "to ascend" mean? What do you think "The Ascension" means?
2. The Great Commission is what Jesus told the disciples to go out and do. Highlight it in the text, and then write it out as bullet points in your books.
3. How does Jesus say people can become his disciples? (2 things)
4. Did the disciples go off and start doing what Jesus told them to? Why not, do you think?

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