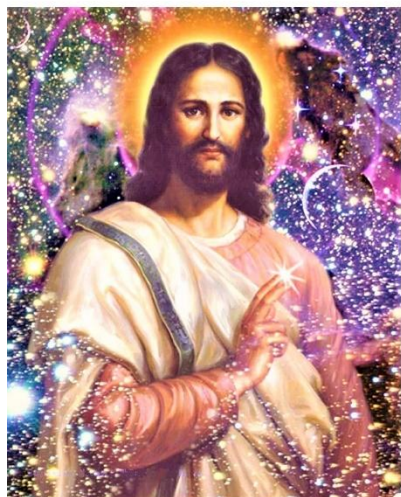


Jesus -The post-resurrection Appearances and his seven mansion worlds advancement

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Christ Michael, when bestowed on Urantia, lived under the reign of evolutionary religion up to the time of his baptism. From that moment up to and including the event of his crucifixion he carried forward his work by the combined guidance of evolutionary and revealed religion. From the morning of his resurrection until his ascension he traversed the manifold phases of the morontia life of mortal transition from the world of matter to that of spirit. After his ascension Michael became master of the experience of Supremacy, the realization of the Supreme; and being the one person in Nebadon possessed of unlimited capacity to experience the reality of the Supreme, he forthwith attained to the status of the sovereignty of supremacy in and to his local universe. [UB 101:6:5]

JESUS' INCARNATION AND RESURRECTION

All local universe creations are supervised by the dual administrative presence of a Paradise Creator Michael Son, who takes origin in the Father-Son union of Paradise Deity, and a Creative Mother Spirit, representing the local universe presence of the Paradise Mother Infinite Spirit. In our local universe of Nebadon, our **CREATOR SON MICHAEL** and his Spirit companion, the Creative Mother Spirit, have been conjointly responsible for the creation of this material universe in which we live and breathe. The Paradise Father faithfully upholds this locally coordinated act of creative prerogative by fully supporting their divine right to "foster and sustain their work as well as to minister to the creatures of their own making." [UB 8:3:4] Michael functions in Nebadon as father of the inhabited worlds and as sovereign of the local universe - he is the personal residential manifestation of the Universal Father to the local universe materialization.

A Michael Son could conceivably assert his unearned sovereignty over his personal creation at any time, but this would entail the immediate withdrawal of all Paradise personalities in his local universe and the consequent loss of Paradise co-operation in the administration of his local universe. A Michael Son must gain the life experience of his subordinate living creatures to complete his personal training and universe education as a Creator Son. Consider that the ability of Creator Sons to incarnate themselves into the persons of his local universe creatures is called "equally **MYSTERIOUS AND BEYOND EXPLANATION**" and that "such

incarnations **WILL NEVER BE KNOWN EXCEPT TO THOSE WHO HAVE ACCESS TO THE INNER CIRCLE OF THE RECORDS ON THE SACRED SPHERE OF SONARINGTON**" [UB 119:3.6] Paradise Creator Sons of God must share the experience of their created local universe creature personalities in order to assume the very natures of such creatures and incarnate their divine personalities as the actual creatures themselves.

Mankind begins the mortal life as sons and daughters of the flesh. This is our introduction to physical reality wherein we strive on this our earthly estate. Our Creator Son, Michael of Nebadon, bestowed himself on this world 2,000 years ago to initiate a new dispensation to mankind. He came as **JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE SON OF MAN** and the truth made manifest in the flesh. He came offering mankind a new way of living and a promise of transformation whereby his promised Comforter, the Spirit of Truth, would strengthen the inner soul of man by the constant spiritual renewal of mind.

Now consider this unique "mystery" connected with Michael's mortal incarnation – Michael's resurrection on Urantia was enacted by his own personal **INNATE "POWER"** to take up his "life" again after his death in the flesh.

*"Not one of you can do aught to assist your Creator-father in the return to life. As a mortal of the realm he has experienced mortal death; AS THE SOVEREIGN OF A UNIVERSE HE STILL LIVES.... Those things which you ordinarily do for the creature, you may not do for the Creator. A CREATOR SON has within himself the **POWER TO BESTOW HIMSELF IN THE LIKENESS OF ANY OF HIS CREATED SONS**; he has within himself the **POWER TO LAY DOWN HIS OBSERVABLE LIFE AND TO TAKE IT UP AGAIN**; and he has this power because of the direct command of the Paradise Father, and I know whereof I [GABRIEL] speak."*

[UB 189:0:1,2]



*"Soon after the burial of Jesus on Friday afternoon, the CHIEF OF THE ARCHANGELS OF NEBADON, then present on Urantia, summoned his council of the resurrection of sleeping will creatures and entered upon the consideration of a POSSIBLE TECHNIQUE FOR THE **RESTORATION OF JESUS**.... By midnight they had arrived at the conclusion that the creature could do nothing to facilitate the **RESURRECTION OF THE CREATOR**. They were disposed to accept the advice of Gabriel, who instructed them that, since Michael had **'LAID DOWN HIS LIFE** of his own free will, he also had **POWER TO TAKE IT UP** again in accordance with his own determination."*

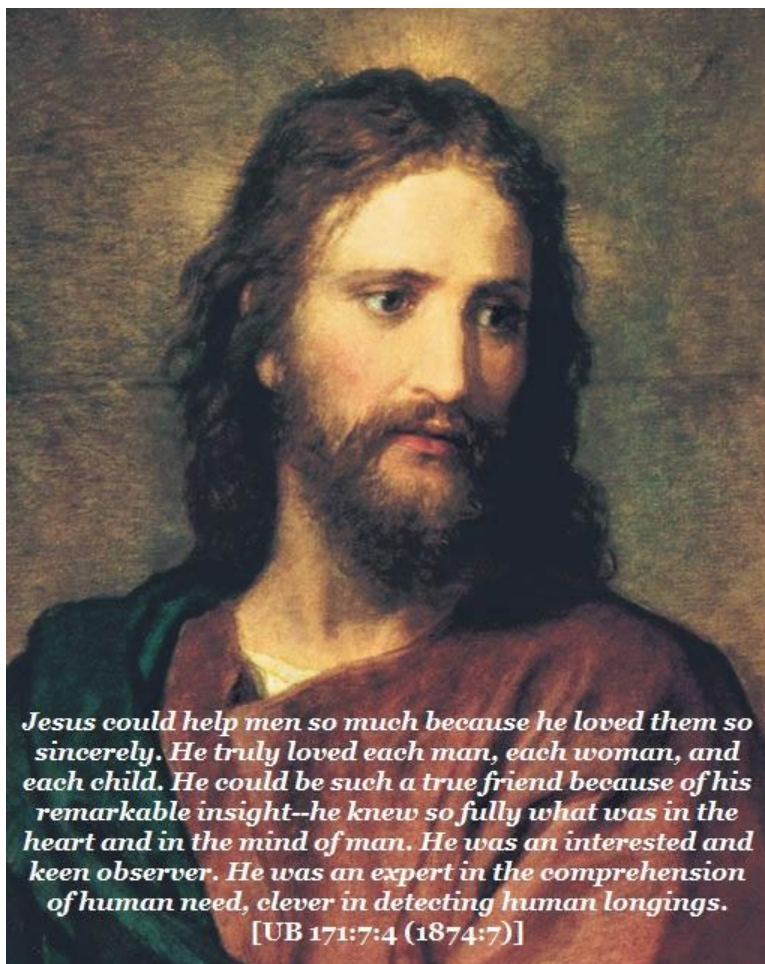
[UB 189:0.1]

So, our now sovereign and Master Son had within his divine essence and being both "the **POWER TO BESTOW HIMSELF IN THE LIKENESS OF ANY OF HIS CREATED SONS**" and "the **POWER TO LAY DOWN HIS OBSERVABLE LIFE AND TO TAKE IT UP AGAIN**".

JESUS' MORONTIA TRANSIT

“Morontia” is the soul-like state of being, that phase of universe reality intervening and bridging the gulf between the material and spiritual. This realm of progression and experience takes place in the local universe and ranges from the transition spheres orbiting Jerusem up through Salvington (the capital and headquarters sphere of the local universe of Nebadon, personal home of the Creator Son, Michael, and the Creative Spirit). Morontia encompasses living systems of material, mindal, and spiritual realities, and especially to the soul. When Jesus said to Mary Magdalene at the tomb: “Touch me not, Mary, for I am not as you knew me in the flesh,” he was referring to this state of being through which he was passing, and in which form he was able to appear

throughout each of his nineteen post-resurrection appearances, and he could disappear at will. Jesus was unique in this regard as mortal human beings do not resurrect on this world as Jesus did. Nevertheless, the morontia estate is that to which we will be resurrected on the next world. Paul learned of the existence of the morontia worlds and of the reality of the morontia estate, for he wrote, “They have in heaven a better and more enduring substance.” And these morontia materials are real, literal, even as in “the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God.”



At TWO FORTY-FIVE SUNDAY MORNING, the PARADISE INCARNATION COMMISSION, consisting of SEVEN UNIDENTIFIED PARADISE PERSONALITIES, arrived on the scene and immediately deployed themselves about the tomb. At TEN MINUTES BEFORE THREE, intense vibrations of commingled material and morontia activities began to issue from Joseph's new tomb, and at TWO MINUTES PAST THREE O'CLOCK, THIS SUNDAY MORNING, APRIL 9, A.D. 30, THE RESURRECTED MORONTIA FORM AND PERSONALITY OF JESUS OF NAZARETH came forth from the tomb. [UB 189:1.1]

The **RESURRECTED JESUS** emerges from his burial tomb, his onetime body of flesh remained inside his tomb, “undisturbed and wrapped in the linen sheet, just as it had been laid

Crucifixion, Death, and Entombment [Thursday-Saturday April 6-8]

April	6	Thursday	Last ... day at the Gethsemane camp before going to the home of John Mark for the Last Supper. "I am the bread of life." Here, Jesus gives his Farewell Discourse and Final Admonitions before returning to Gethsemane for the night. Jesus is betrayed and arrested just before midnight.
April	7	Friday	Early morning—Apostles in hiding, except for John Zebedee who follows Jesus. Jesus' family arrives and they go to stay at Lazarus' home in Bethany. Jesus is brought before Annas, then Caiaphus, then Pilate, and finally Herod. Sent back to Pilate, Jesus is eventually sentenced to death for "perverting the people."
April	7	Friday	Jesus crucified about 9 a.m. Died about 3 p.m. Put in tomb about 4:30 p.m.
April	8	Saturday	Apostles remain in hiding. Beginning of Passover—almost 1.5 million Jews in Jerusalem. The Supreme Council of Salvington meets on Urantia with Gabriel presiding.

to rest by Joseph and his associates on Friday afternoon." [UB 189:1.2] The stone "seal of Pilate" had not been broken and the soldiers were still on guard. Jesus had risen to "**A NEW AND HIGHER FORM OF EXISTENCE**"; the morontia personality of Jesus had been "**DELIVERED AND RESURRECTED**". [UB 189:1.2] All of this known phenomenon with Jesus' mortal transit, the **MORONTIA RESURRECTION**, occurred right there in Joseph's new tomb while the mortal material body of Jesus lay wrapped in burial cloths.

Mankind is slow to perceive that, in all that is personal, MATTER IS THE SKELETON OF MORONTIA, and that both are THE REFLECTED SHADOW OF ENDURING SPIRIT REALITY. [UB 189:1.2]

At ten minutes past three o'clock, the chief of archangels -- the **ANGELS OF THE RESURRECTION** -- approached **GABRIEL** and asked for the mortal body of Jesus: "We merely wish to invoke the process of accelerated time" so that the "hosts of heaven would be spared the memory of enduring the sight of the slow decay of the human form of the Creator and Upholder of a universe" [UB 189:2.1] They desired the empowerment to proceed with the immediate dissolution of Jesus' material body. Gabriel gave permission to make such disposition of the physical remains of Jesus.

Upon the granting of this request, the **CHIEF OF ARCHANGELS** summoned the assistance of many of his fellow celestial personalities, and with the aid of the **URANTIA MIDWAYERS**, proceeded to take possession of Jesus' physical body. Midway creatures appear on most inhabited worlds and exist and function in the realm "midway" between humans and angels. Midwayers are the permanent inhabitants of a world and are invaluable to the seraphim in their work for the races of mankind as well as to the guardian angels. Jesus' material body could not be removed from the tomb as the morontia form of the resurrection had been able to escape unseen from the sealed sepulcher. They made ready to remove the body to accord it a dignified and reverent disposal of **NEAR-INSTANTANEOUS DISSOLUTION**; it was assigned the secondary Urantia midwayers to roll away the stones from the entrance of the tomb.

When the watching Jewish guards and the Roman soldiers, in the dim light of the morning, saw this huge stone begin to roll away from the entrance of the tomb, apparently of its own accord, they were seized with fear and panic, and they fled in haste from the scene. The tomb of Joseph was empty because the celestial hosts had been granted their request to afford it a

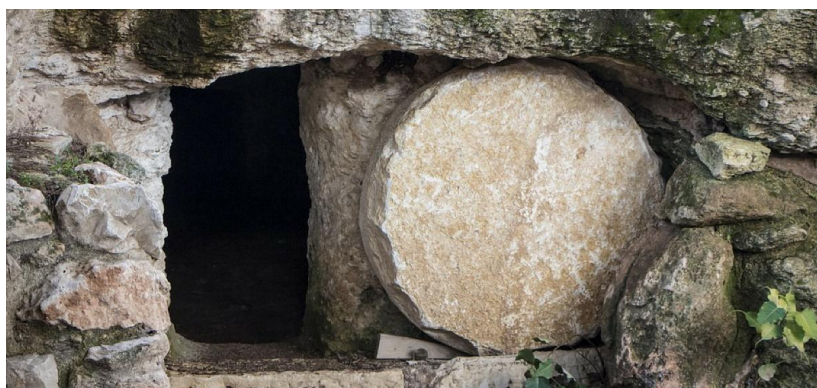
special and unique dissolution, a return of the "dust to dust," without the intervention of the delays of time and without the operation of the ordinary and visible processes of mortal decay and material corruption. This natural mode of dissolution was greatly accelerated, hastened to that point where it became **WELL-NIGH INSTANTANEOUS**.

Jesus came forth from the tomb of Joseph in "**THE VERY LIKENESS OF THE MORONTIA PERSONALITIES**" of those resurrected morontia ascendant mortal beings as they emerge from the resurrection halls of the first mansion world of this local system of Satania:

*The Master's **RESURRECTION** on Urantia was in some way fostered on this, the first of the system mansion worlds. [UB 189:1.9]*

On arising from the tomb, the morontia Jesus greeted **GABRIEL** instructing him "to continue in executive charge of universe affairs under **IMMANUEL**." [UB 189:1.10] An ambassador of the Paradise Trinity, Immanuel of Salvington is the Paradise Union of Days assigned to the local universe of Nebadon. He functions as adviser to the Sovereign Son but gives counsel only on request. In the absence of the Creator Son, he might preside over any high universe council but would not otherwise participate in the executive affairs of the universe except as requested. Jesus then directed the **CHIEF OF THE MELCHIZEDEKS** to convey his brotherly greetings to Immanuel, while he asked **THE MOST HIGH OF EDENTIA** for the certification of the **ANCIENTS OF DAYS** as to his **MORTAL TRANSIT**.

*Turning to **THE ASSEMBLED MORONTIA GROUPS OF THE SEVEN MANSION WORLDS**, here gathered together to greet and welcome their Creator as a creature of their order, Jesus spoke the first words of the postmortal career. Said the morontia Jesus: "Having finished my life in the flesh, I would tarry here for a short time in **TRANSITION FORM** that I may more fully know the life of my ascendant creatures and further reveal the will of my Father in Paradise."*
[UB 189:1.10]



*His material or physical body was not a part of the resurrected personality. When Jesus came forth from the tomb, his body of flesh remained undisturbed in the sepulchre. He emerged from the burial tomb without moving the stones before the entrance and without disturbing **THE SEALS OF PILATE**. [UB 189:1:7]*

Jesus now begins his **RESURRECTION APPEARANCES** while in his morontia form. His **INITIATION INTO THE MORONTIA WORLD** required more than an hour of earth time.



Now is THE MORTAL TRANSIT OF JESUS -- THE MORONTIA RESURRECTION OF THE SON OF MAN -- completed. The transitory experience of the Master as a personality midway between the material and the spiritual has begun. And he has done all this through POWER INHERENT WITHIN HIMSELF; no personality has rendered him any assistance. He now lives as Jesus of morontia, and as he begins this morontia life, the material body of his flesh lies there undisturbed in the tomb. The soldiers are still on guard, and the seal of the governor about the rocks has not yet been broken.

THE SEVEN MANSION WORLDS OF ADVANCEMENT

JERUSEM is the headquarters of our local system of **SATANIA**. Its seven worlds of transition culture, each of which is encircled by seven satellites among which are the seven mansion worlds of morontia detention, are man's first postmortal residence. Jerusem's **SEVEN TRANSITION WORLDS** are about ten times as large as Urantia. Each transition world has seven circling spheres around it, and these spheres are about the size of Urantia.

Transition World Number 1 is called the **FINALITER WORLD**. This world is the headquarters of the finaliter corps of the local system and is surrounded by the receiving worlds, the seven mansion worlds. The **MORTAL FINALITER CORPS** consist primarily of mortal ascenders who are Father-fused and have become a part of this Paradise corps of completion when they have ascended to the sixth stage of spirit being, have become residents of Paradise, and have completed the progressive course in divinity and absonity.

The finaliter world is accessible to the inhabitants of all seven mansion worlds. Transport seraphim carry ascending personalities back and forth on their visitations to the finaliter world, which are designed to cultivate their faith in the ultimate destiny of transition mortals. Although the finaliters and their spirit forms are not ordinarily perceptible to morontia vision, we will be allowed, when the energy transformers and the Morontia Power Supervisors enable us, to momentarily glimpse these high spirit personalities who have actually completed the Paradise

ascension. All mansion world sojourners go to the finaliter sphere at least once a year for these assemblies of finaliter visualization.

The **SEVEN MANSION WORLDS** are the seven subsatellites of transition world number one. All fifty-six of the encircling worlds of Jerusem are devoted to the transitional culture of ascending mortals. All training worlds of resurrected mortal existence are called mansion worlds. As Jesus emphatically stated: "In my Father's house are many mansions." All mortal ascenders will progress gradually from one world to the next, and on each newly attained world, their morontia form will undergo ascending phases of life to another. As the term "heaven" and the "seven heavens" has been used on Urantia, it has sometimes meant these seven mansion worlds, the first mansion world being denominated the first heaven, and so on to the seventh.

Throughout our morontia transition on the seven progressing mansion worlds, we will continue to partake of a morontia order of food and drink, and we will require regular times of rest. Our food will derive from a living energy unknown on the material worlds of mortal indwelling and will be fully utilized in the morontia body without generating residual waste. On mansion world number one, we will still be a near human and not far from "the limited viewpoints of mortal life" [UB 47:4.6] From sphere to sphere, we will grow **LESS MATERIAL, MORE INTELLECTUAL**, and **SLIGHTLY MORE SPIRITUAL**. Spiritual progress is greatest on the last three of these seven mansion worlds. All of these creations reflect the physical beauty and morontia grandeur of the local universe headquarters spheres

Upon graduating from the mansion world experiences, a reception for **A NEW CLASS OF MANSION WORLD GRADUATES** is the signal for all Jerusem to assemble as a committee of welcome for these triumphant ascenders of evolutionary origin who have ascended the planetary experience and **FINISHED THE MANSION WORLD PROGRESSION**. The mortal ascenders initiated their material existence on the evolutionary worlds and tabernacled in the flesh; they were indwelt by the Mystery Monitors and invested by the Spirit of Truth. They become fully mobilized, realized, and unified on that day when such **A JERUSEM CITIZEN IS GIVEN CLEARANCE FOR EDENTIA** and proclaimed a true member of **THE MORONTIA CORPS OF NEBADON**. Such immortal survivors of Adjuster association become Paradise ascenders, personalities of morontia status, and **TRUE CHILDREN OF THE MOST HIGHS**.

JESUS' POST-RESURRECTION APPEARANCES

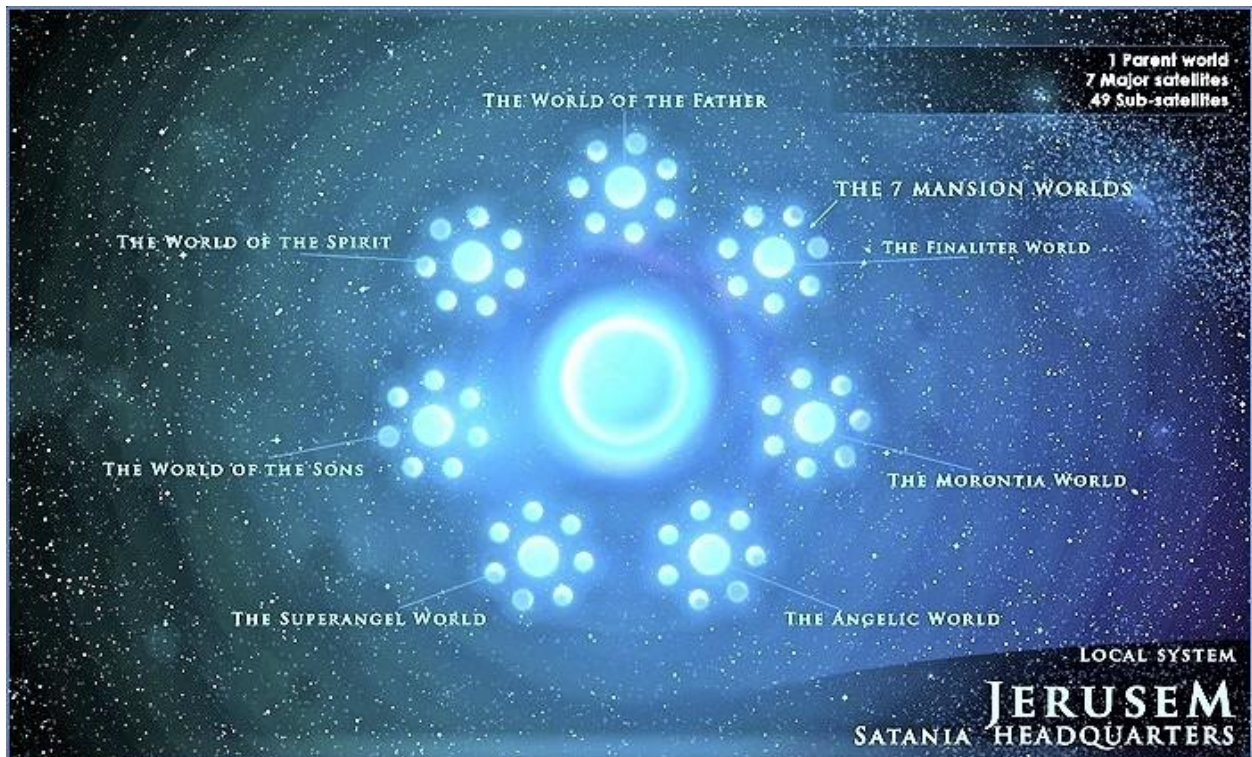
Jesus remains a short time on Urantia to experience his ascending morontia career as a risen mortal. Mortals from the material worlds of space will experience their own resurrections on the Mansion Worlds "the same **TYPE OF TRANSITION OR MORONTIA BODY THAT JESUS HAD** when he arose from the tomb on this Sunday morning" [UB 190:0.3]. Our new imperishable morontia bodies "**DO NOT HAVE CIRCULATING BLOOD**", and we will not partake of ordinary material food. Our new morontia forms are real, and will be visible even as Jesus' morontia form was visible.

All this POWER WHICH IS INHERENT IN JESUS — THE ENDOWMENT OF LIFE — and which enabled him TO RISE FROM THE DEAD, is the very gift of eternal



THE SEVEN MANSION WORLDS

The PLAN OF INITIAL MORTAL DETENTION ON SEVEN WORLDS OF PROGRESSIVE TRAINING is nearly universal in Orvonton. In each local system of approximately one thousand inhabited planets there are SEVEN MANSION WORLDS, usually satellites or subsatellites of the system capital. They are the receiving worlds for the majority of ascending mortals. [UB 30:4:9]



*life which he bestows upon kingdom believers, and which even now makes certain their **RESURRECTION FROM THE BONDS OF NATURAL DEATH.** [UB 190:0.2]*



THE FINALITERS' WORLD

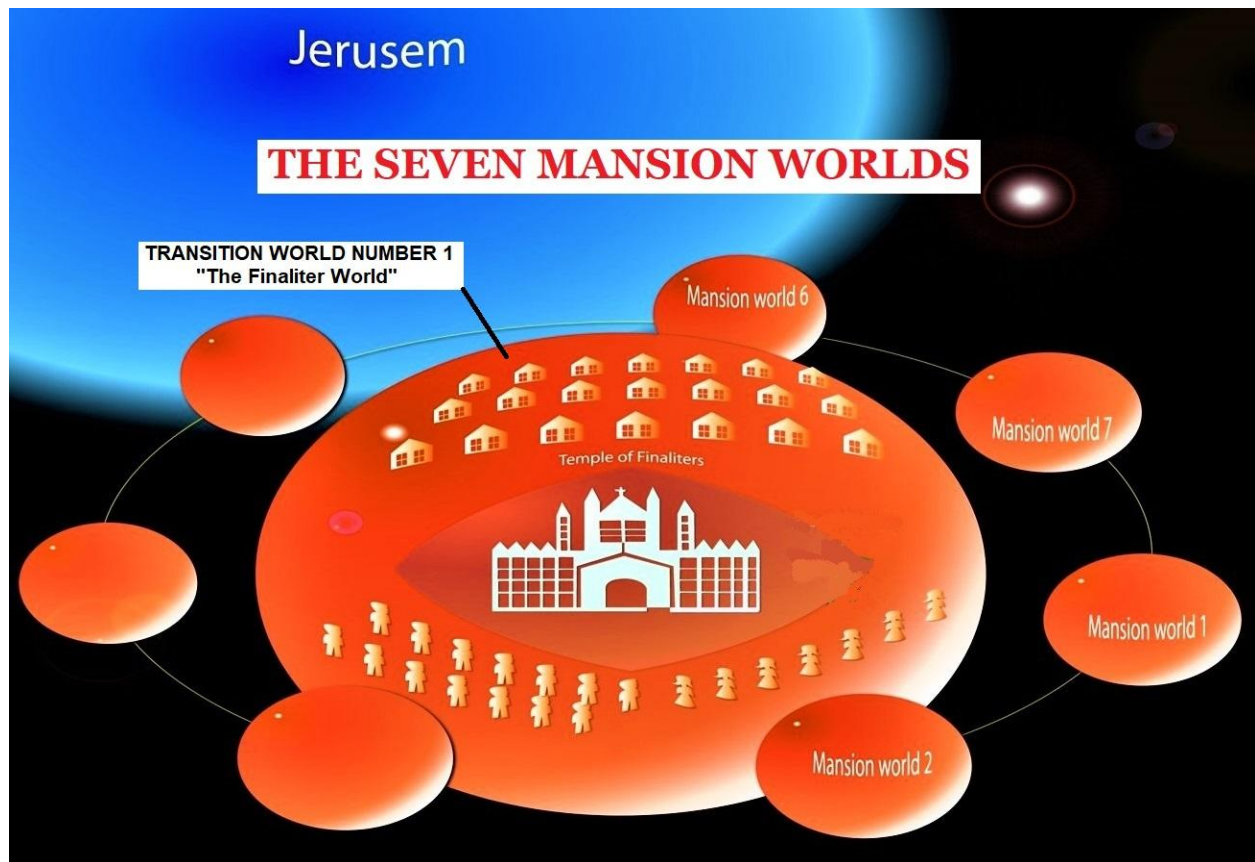
This is the HEADQUARTERS OF THE FINALITER CORPS of the local system and is surrounded by the receiving worlds, the SEVEN MANSION WORLDS, dedicated so fully to THE SCHEME OF MORTAL ASCENSION. The finaliter world is accessible to the inhabitants of all seven mansion worlds. Transport seraphim carry ascending personalities back and forth on these pilgrimages, which are designed to cultivate their faith in the ultimate destiny of transition mortals. Although the FINALITERS AND THEIR STRUCTURES ARE NOT ORDINARILY PERCEPTIBLE TO MORONTIA VISION, you will be more than thrilled, from time to time, when the ENERGY TRANSFORMERS and the MORONTIA POWER SUPERVISORS enable you momentarily to glimpse these high spirit personalities who have actually completed the Paradise ascension, and who have returned to the very worlds where you are beginning this long journey, as THE PLEDGE OF ASSURANCE THAT YOU MAY AND CAN COMPLETE THE STUPENDOUS UNDERTAKING. All mansion world sojourners go to the finaliter sphere at least once a year for these assemblies of finaliter visualization. [UB 45:1:2]

From the time of Jesus' morontia resurrection to his eventual spiritual ascension, he made nineteen visible appearances to his believers on this world – "He did not appear to his enemies nor to those who could not make spiritual use of his manifestation in visible form." [UB 190:2.1]

THE 1st MANSION WORLD EXPERIENCE (9 Appearances):

It is on **MANSION WORLD NUMBER 1** where most of us will resume our "**INTELLECTUAL TRAINING** and **SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT** at the exact level whereon they were interrupted by death" [UB 47:3.7]. From the time of planetary death and resurrection on the mansion world, we gain absolutely nothing aside from **EXPERIENCING THE FACT OF SURVIVAL**. We begin over there right where we leave off down here.

The major purpose of **MANSION WORLD NUMBER ONE** is to deal with **DEFICIENCY MINISTRY**. Survivors arriving on this world present so many and such varied defects of creature character and deficiencies of mortal experience that the major activities of the realm are occupied with the **CORRECTION AND CURE** of these manifold deficiencies of the life in



the flesh on the material evolutionary worlds of time and space. **BIOLOGICAL DEFICIENCIES** are largely made up on the first mansion world, while defects in planetary experiences pertaining to **SEX LIFE**, **FAMILY ASSOCIATION**, and **PARENTAL FUNCTION** are either **CORRECTED** or are **PROJECTED FOR FUTURE RECTIFICATION** among the Material Son

JERUSEM, HEADQUARTERS OF THE SATANIA SYSTEM



After mortals have attained RESIDENCE ON THE SYSTEM HEADQUARTERS, no more literal resurrections will be experienced. THE MORONTIA FORM GRANTED YOU ON DEPARTURE FROM THE MANSION WORLD CAREER IS SUCH AS WILL SEE YOU THROUGH TO THE END OF THE LOCAL UNIVERSE EXPERIENCE. Changes will be made from time to time, but you will RETAIN THIS SAME FORM UNTIL YOU BID IT FAREWELL WHEN YOU EMERGE AS FIRST-STAGE SPIRITS PREPARATORY FOR TRANSIT TO THE SUPERUNIVERSE WORLDS OF ASCENDING CULTURE AND SPIRIT TRAINING. [UB 47:10:4]

families on Jerusem. This process of regeneration is designed to develop mortal survivors at least up to **THE STATUS OF THE POST-ADAMIC DISPENSATION** on the normal evolutionary worlds. Mansion world students are spiritually far in advance of such a state of mere human development.

*When sojourning on the **FIRST MANSION WORLD**, you have permission to visit the **FIRST OF THE TRANSITION WORLDS**, the **HEADQUARTERS OF THE FINALITERS** and the **SYSTEM PROBATIONARY NURSERY** for the nurture of undeveloped evolutionary children. [UB 47:5.2]*

JESUS' FIRST MORONTIA APPEARANCE - SUNDAY APRIL 9 3:30 AM

- **Jerusalem at the new family tomb of Joseph of Arimathea.**
- **Appeared to Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of the Alpheus twins, Salome the mother of the Zebedee brothers, Joanna the wife of Chuza, and Susanna the daughter of Ezra of Alexandria.**

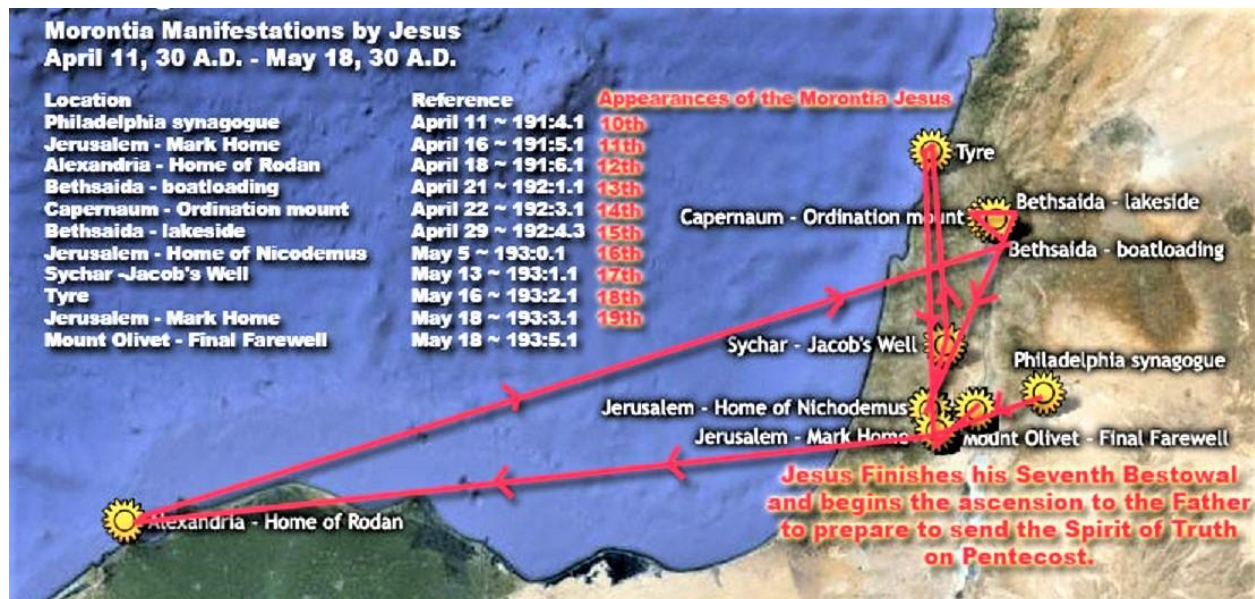
FIRST STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION

As **MARY MAGDALENE** and other of Jesus' women disciples gathered at the tomb of Joseph of Arimathea, they **OBSERVED A SILENT AND MOTIONLESS STRANGER**. Mary rushed toward him and asked "Where have you taken the Master? Where have they laid him? Tell us that we may go and get him." Jesus then spoke "Whom do you seek?" and "Did not this Jesus tell you, even in Galilee, that he would die, but that he would rise again?" **THE MASTER WAS SO CHANGED THAT THEY DID NOT YET RECOGNIZE HIM** with his back turned to the dim light. Jesus addressed her, saying only "Mary". It was then that Mary Magdalene recognized his voice and his familiar **SYMPATHY AND AFFECTIONATE GREETING**. She rushed to kneel at his feet while she exclaimed, "My Lord, and my Master!" And all of the other women recognized that it was the Master who stood before them in glorified form, and they quickly knelt before him. Their human eyes were enabled to see the morontia form of Jesus via the **SPECIAL MINISTRY OF THE TRANSFORMERS AND THE MIDWAYERS** in association with certain of the **MORONTIA PERSONALITIES** then accompanying Jesus.

JESUS' SECOND MORONTIA APPEARANCE - SUNDAY APRIL 9 6:00 AM

- **Jerusalem at the tomb.**
- **Appeared to Mary Magdalene.**
- **FIRST STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION**

After **MARY MAGDALENE** and other of Jesus' women disciples had gathered at the tomb of Joseph of Arimathea and Jesus appeared to Mary, they hastened back to Jerusalem and to the home of Elijah Mark. They related to the ten apostles there all that happened to them. Peter and John made great haste to reach the tomb and see these things for themselves. After they witnessed the empty tomb, they still refused to believe her report and subsequently left.




Mansion World No. 1 (UB 47:3) is one of the two worlds that are mostly negative in nature – having to do with correcting defects in character and deficiencies of mortal experience – primarily in the area of sex life, family association, and parental function.

Brought up to the status of mortals living during the post-Adamic dispensation on normal worlds.

- Have you learned the art of brotherhood?
- Have you eliminated racial prejudices?
- Are you peaceable?
- Are you ethical?
- Do you submit to universe sovereignty?
- Have you learned balance in the area of sex?
- Are you loving and honorable in your family associations?
- Have you learned the art of parenting?

JESUS' THIRD MORONTIA APPEARANCE - SUNDAY APRIL 9 NOON

- **Bethany at the tomb of Lazarus.**
- **Appeared to James, the Master's brother in the flesh.**
- **FIRST STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION**



THE FIRST MANSION WORLD

On the mansion worlds the resurrected mortal survivors resume their lives just where they left off when overtaken by death. When you go from Urantia to the **FIRST MANSION WORLD**, you will notice considerable change, but if you had come from a more normal and progressive sphere of time, you would hardly notice the difference except for the fact that you were in **POSSESSION OF A DIFFERENT BODY**; the tabernacle of flesh and blood has been left behind on the world of nativity. [UB 47:3:1]

Regeneration

Jesus' third appearance occurred about noon of this Sunday at Bethany. Jesus' oldest brother, James, was standing in the garden of Lazarus before the empty tomb of the resurrected brother of Martha and Mary. He turned over in his mind the news brought to them about one hour previously by the messenger of David. James and the whole family were startled and confused by the news brought by the messenger. James had lost contact with Jesus and his mission, and he began doubting the claims of the apostles that Jesus was the Messiah. Ruth, of course, believed the report, and so did Jude after he had talked with David and Salome. Mary Magdalene arrived on the scene and was excitedly relating to the family her experiences of the early morning hours at the tomb of Joseph. David Zebedee and his mother arrived.

As this group began looking for James and before they found him, James was standing alone in the garden. He became aware of a near-by presence and felt something as if someone had touched him on the shoulder. He turned and beheld the gradual appearance of a strange form by his side. James was very amazed, but he was too frightened to flee.

As they neared the house, Jesus said, "Farewell, James, until I greet you all together." [UB 190:2.4]

JESUS' FOURTH MORONTIA APPEARANCE - SUNDAY APRIL 9 2:00 PM -

- **Bethany at the home of Mary and Martha.**
- **Appeared to Jesus' earthly family and their friends, 20 in all.**
- **FIRST STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION**

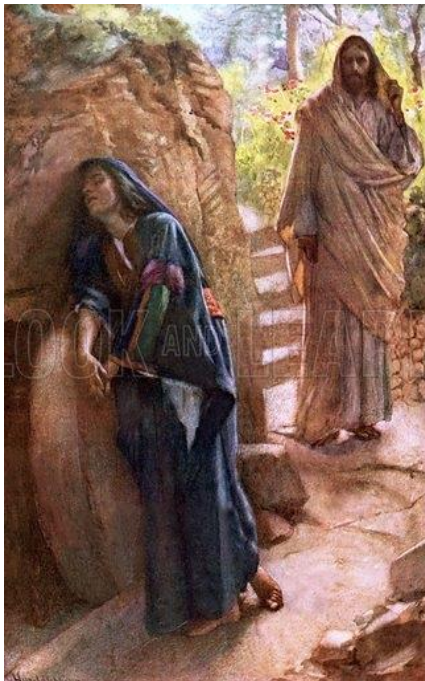
On this same Sunday, the fourth appearance of Jesus to mortal recognition occurred shortly before two o'clock in this very home of Martha and Mary. He appeared visibly before twenty of his earthly family and their friends. The Master spoke, saying:



THE PROBATIONARY NURSERY

The INFANT-RECEIVING SCHOOLS OF SATANIA are situated on the finaliter world, the first of the Jerusem transition-culture spheres. These infant-receiving schools are enterprises devoted to the nurture and training of the children of time, including those who have died on the evolutionary worlds of space before the acquirement of individual status on the universe records. In the event of the SURVIVAL OF EITHER OR BOTH OF SUCH A CHILD'S PARENTS, the guardian of destiny deputizes her associated cherubim as the custodian of the child's potential identity, charging the cherubim with the responsibility of delivering this undeveloped soul into the hands of the Mansion World Teachers in the probationary nurseries of the morontia worlds.

[UB 47:2:1]



*In viewing the prominent part which Mary Magdalene took in proclaiming the Master's resurrection, it should be recorded that **MARY WAS THE CHIEF SPOKESMAN FOR THE WOMEN'S CORPS**, as was Peter for the apostles. Mary was not chief of the women workers, but she was **THEIR CHIEF TEACHER AND PUBLIC SPOKESMAN**. Mary had become a woman of great circumspection, so that her boldness in speaking to a man whom she considered to be the caretaker of Joseph's garden only indicates how horrified she was to find the tomb empty. It was the depth and agony of her love, the fullness of her devotion, that caused her to forget, for a moment, the conventional restraints of a Jewish woman's approach to a strange man.*

[UB 190:0:5]

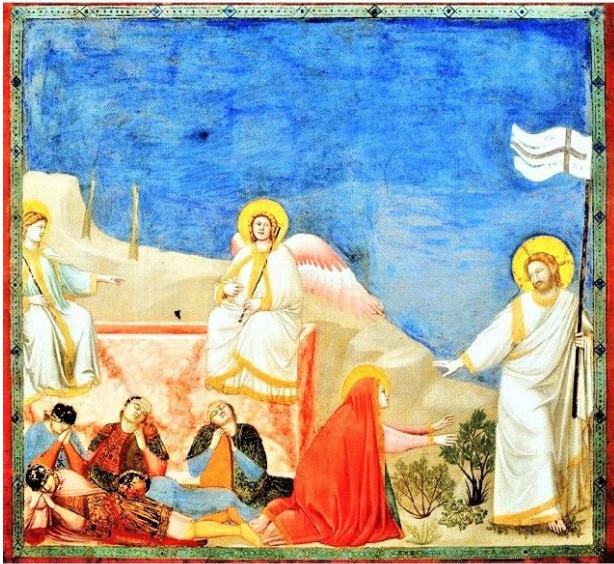
JESUS' FIFTH MORONTIA APPEARANCE - SUNDAY APRIL 9 4:15 PM

- Jerusalem at the home of Joseph of Arimathea.
- Appeared to some 25 women believers (Mary Magdalene witnessed four of the first five appearances).
- FIRST STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION

Jesus' fifth morontia manifestation to the recognition of mortal eyes occurred in the presence of some twenty-five women believers assembled at the home of Joseph of Arimathea, at about fifteen minutes past four o'clock on this same Sunday afternoon. After Mary had pledged all the

women to secrecy, she proceeded to relate what had so recently happened while she was with Jesus' family at Bethany. And she was in the very midst of this thrilling recital when a sudden and solemn hush fell over them; they beheld in their very midst the fully visible form of the risen Jesus. And when he had thus spoken, he vanished from their sight, while the women fell on their faces and worshiped in silence. Of the five morontia appearances of Jesus occurring up to this time, Mary Magdalene had witnessed four.

At the fifth appearance, before the women believers, he said:



*As **MARY** sought to embrace his feet, Jesus said: "**TOUCH ME NOT, MARY, FOR I AM NOT AS YOU KNEW ME IN THE FLESH. IN THIS FORM WILL I TARRY WITH YOU FOR A SEASON BEFORE I ASCEND TO THE FATHER. But go, all of you, now and tell my apostles -- and Peter -- that I have risen, and that you have talked with me.**" [UB 189:4.12]*

JESUS' SIXTH MORONTIA APPEARANCE - SUNDAY APRIL 9 4:30 PM

- **The home of Flavius.**
- **Appeared to 40 Greek believers.**

FIRST STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION

At about half past four o'clock at the home of one Flavius, Jesus made his sixth morontia appearance to some forty Greek believers there; they were engaged in discussing the reports of the Master's resurrection. He manifested himself in their midst, even though the doors were securely fastened. Speaking to them, Jesus said:

When he had thus charged them, he took leave and they saw him no more. None of these Greeks slept that night; they discussed these things and hoped that the Master might again visit them. Many of these Greeks were at Gethsemane when the soldiers arrested Jesus and Judas betrayed him with a kiss.

News of Jesus' resurrection and reports concerning his many appearances to his followers were spreading rapidly. All of Jerusalem was building up to a high pitch of excitement. The Master had appeared to his family, to the women, and to the Greeks. The Sanhedrin began to

consider these developing problems which had generated so suddenly to be thrust upon the Jewish rulers.



As MARY lingered after Peter and John had gone, THE MASTER AGAIN APPEARED TO HER, saying: "Be not doubting; have the courage to believe what you have seen and heard. GO BACK TO MY APOSTLES AND AGAIN TELL THEM THAT I HAVE RISEN, that I will appear to them, and that presently I will go before them into Galilee as I promised." [UB 189:5.4]

JESUS' SEVENTH MORONTIA APPEARANCE - SUNDAY APRIL 9 5:00 PM

- **Emmaus, about seven miles west of Jerusalem**
- **Appeared to the two brothers Cleopas and Jacob**

FIRST STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION

Two brother shepherds from Emmaus had spent the Passover week in Jerusalem attending upon the sacrifices, ceremonials, and feasts. Cleopas, the elder, was a partial believer in Jesus, while his brother Jacob was not a believer, although he was much intrigued by what he had heard about the Master's teachings and works. Sunday afternoon, about three miles out of Jerusalem and a few minutes before five o'clock, these two brothers were trudging along the road to Emmaus. They were talking in great earnestness about Jesus, his teachings, work, and most particularly concerning the rumors that his tomb was empty and that certain of the women had talked with him. While they thus debated as they were making their way toward home, the morontia manifestation of Jesus came alongside them as they journeyed on. Even though Cleopas had often heard Jesus teach and had eaten with him at the homes of Jerusalem believers on several occasions. he did not recognize the Master even when he spoke freely with them.

After walking a short way with them, Jesus said: "What were the words you exchanged so earnestly as I came upon you?" And when Jesus had spoken, they stood still and viewed him with sad surprise. Said Cleopas:

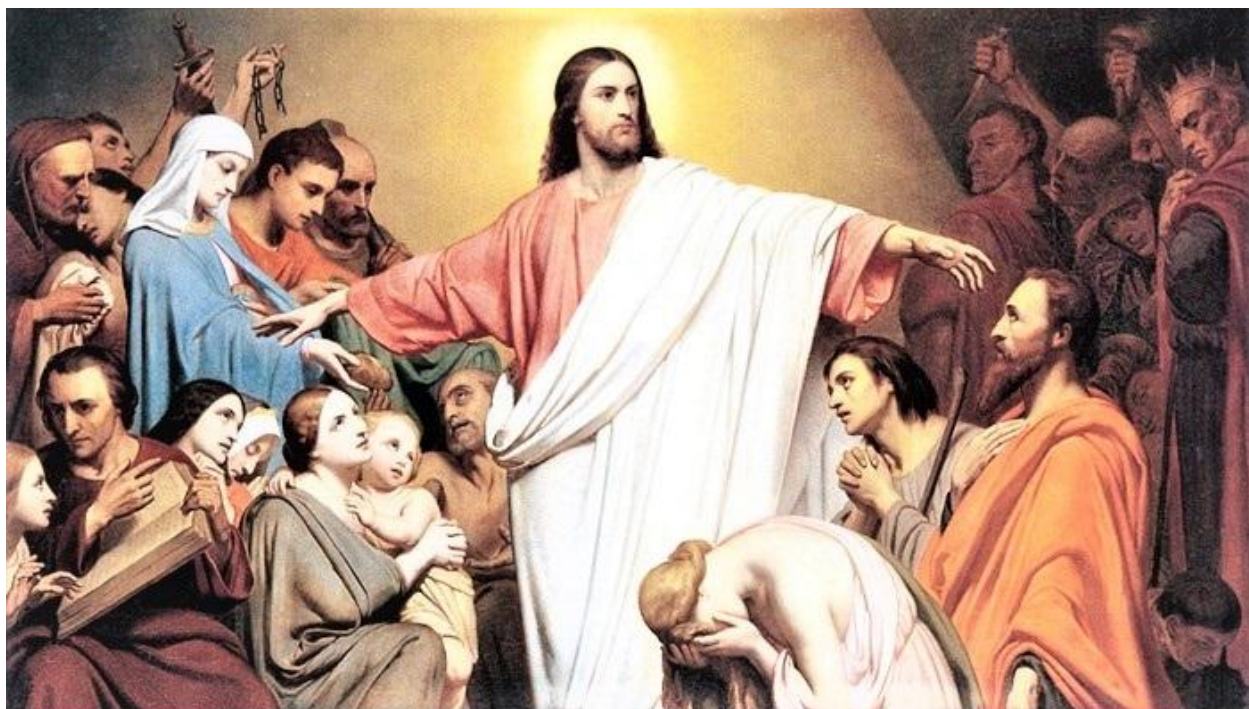


*And then the strange form spoke, saying: “**JAMES**, I come to call you to the service of the kingdom. Join earnest hands with your brethren and follow after me.” When James heard his name spoken, he knew that it was his eldest brother, Jesus, who had addressed him. They all had more or less **DIFFICULTY IN RECOGNIZING THE MORONTIA FORM OF THE MASTER,** **BUT FEW OF THEM HAD ANY TROUBLE RECOGNIZING HIS VOICE** or otherwise identifying his charming personality when he once began to communicate with them. [UB 190:2.3]*

"Can it be that you sojourn in Jerusalem and know not the things which have recently happened? If you do not know about these matters, you are the only one in Jerusalem who has not heard these rumors concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in word and in deed before God and all the people. The chief priests and our rulers delivered him up to the Romans and demanded that they crucify him. Now many of us had hoped that it was he who would deliver Israel from the yoke of the gentiles. But that is not all. It is now the third day since he was crucified, and certain women have this day amazed us by declaring that very early this morning they went to his tomb and found it empty. And these same women insist that they talked with this man; they maintain that he has risen from the dead. And when the women reported this to the men, two of his apostles ran to the tomb and likewise found it empty" [UB 190:5.3]

As they continued to walk along, Jesus said to them:

*"How slow you are to comprehend the truth! When you tell me that it is about the teachings and work of this man that you have your discussions, then may I enlighten you since I am more than familiar with these teachings. Do you not remember that this Jesus always taught that **HIS KINGDOM WAS NOT OF THIS WORLD,** and that **ALL MEN, BEING THE SONS OF GOD, SHOULD FIND LIBERTY AND FREEDOM IN THE SPIRITUAL JOY OF THE FELLOWSHIP OF***



*“Peace be upon you. Greetings to those once near me in the flesh and fellowship for **MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN**. How could you doubt? Why have you lingered so long before choosing to **FOLLOW THE LIGHT OF TRUTH WITH A WHOLE HEART**? Come, therefore, all of you into **THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH IN THE FATHER’S KINGDOM**.” [UB 190:2.6]*

THE BROTHERHOOD OF LOVING SERVICE IN THIS NEW KINGDOM OF THE TRUTH OF THE HEAVENLY FATHER'S LOVE? *Do you not recall how this Son of Man proclaimed the **SALVATION OF GOD FOR ALL MEN**, MINISTERING TO THE SICK AND AFFLICTED AND SETTING FREE THOSE WHO WERE BOUND BY FEAR AND ENSLAVED BY EVIL? Do you not know that this man of Nazareth told his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem, be delivered up to his enemies, who would put him to death, and that he would arise on the third day? Have you not been told all this? And have you never read in the Scriptures concerning this day of salvation for Jew and gentile, where it says that **IN HIM SHALL ALL THE FAMILIES OF THE EARTH BE BLESSED**; that **HE WILL HEAR THE CRY OF THE NEEDY AND SAVE THE SOULS OF THE POOR WHO SEEK HIM**; that **ALL NATIONS SHALL CALL HIM BLESSED**? That such a Deliverer shall be as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land. That **HE WILL FEED THE FLOCK LIKE A TRUE SHEPHERD**, gathering the lambs in his arms and tenderly carrying them in his bosom. That **HE WILL OPEN THE EYES OF THE SPIRITUALLY BLIND AND BRING THE PRISONERS OF DESPAIR OUT INTO FULL LIBERTY AND LIGHT**; that **ALL WHO SIT IN DARKNESS SHALL SEE THE GREAT LIGHT OF ETERNAL SALVATION**. That **HE WILL BIND UP THE BROKENHEARTED**,*



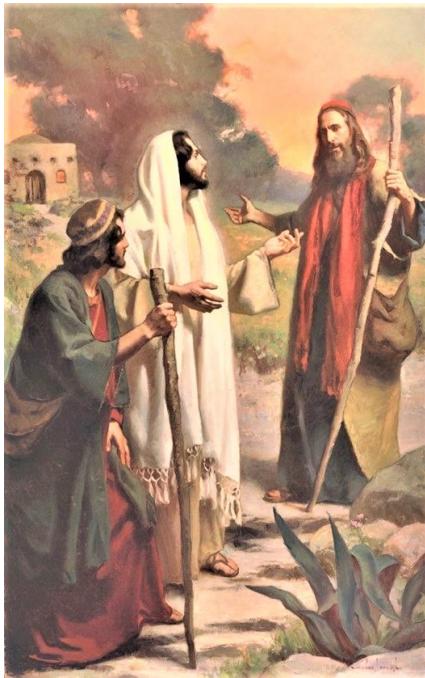
*"Peace be upon you. In the fellowship of the kingdom there shall be neither Jew nor gentile, rich nor poor, free nor bond, man nor woman. **YOU ALSO ARE CALLED TO PUBLISH THE GOOD NEWS OF THE LIBERTY OF MANKIND THROUGH THE GOSPEL OF SONSHIP WITH GOD IN THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN.** Go to all the world proclaiming this gospel and confirming believers in the faith thereof. And while you do this, forget not to MINISTER TO THE SICK AND STRENGTHEN THOSE WHO ARE FAINTHEARTED AND FEAR-RIDDEN. And **I WILL BE WITH YOU ALWAYS, EVEN TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH.**" [UB 190:3.1]*

PROCLAIM LIBERTY TO THE CAPTIVES OF SIN, AND OPEN UP THE PRISON TO THOSE WHO ARE ENSLAVED BY FEAR AND BOUND BY EVIL. That HE WILL COMFORT THOSE WHO MOURN AND BESTOW UPON THEM THE JOY OF SALVATION IN THE PLACE OF SORROW AND HEAVINESS. That HE SHALL BE THE DESIRE OF ALL NATIONS AND THE EVERLASTING JOY OF THOSE WHO SEEK RIGHTEOUSNESS. That THIS SON OF TRUTH AND RIGHTEOUSNESS SHALL RISE UPON THE WORLD WITH HEALING LIGHT AND SAVING POWER; even that HE WILL SAVE HIS PEOPLE FROM THEIR SINS; that he will really seek and save those who are lost. That HE WILL NOT DESTROY THE WEAK BUT MINISTER SALVATION TO ALL WHO HUNGER AND THIRST FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS. That THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN HIM SHALL HAVE ETERNAL LIFE. That HE WILL POUR OUT HIS SPIRIT UPON ALL FLESH, and that THIS SPIRIT OF TRUTH SHALL BE IN EACH BELIEVER A WELL OF WATER, springing up into everlasting life. Did you not understand how great was the gospel of the kingdom which this man delivered to you? Do you not perceive how great a salvation has come upon you?" [UB 190:5.4]

As they all came near to the village where these brothers dwelt, not a word had these two men spoken since Jesus began to teach them as they walked along the way. They drew up in front of their humble dwelling place, and Jesus was about to take leave of them, but they constrained him to come in and abide with them. Jesus consented, and they went into the house and sat down to eat. They gave him the bread to bless, and Jesus began to break and hand it to them. It was then that their eyes were opened, and Cleopas recognized that their



"Peace be upon you. WHILE THE SON OF MAN APPEARED ON EARTH AMONG THE JEWS, HE CAME TO MINISTER TO ALL MEN. In the kingdom of my Father THERE SHALL BE NEITHER JEW NOR GENTILE; YOU WILL ALL BE BRETHREN — THE SONS OF GOD. Go you, therefore, to all the world, proclaiming this gospel of salvation as you have received it from the ambassadors of the kingdom, and I WILL FELLOWSHIP YOU IN THE BROTHERHOOD OF THE FATHER'S SONS OF FAITH AND TRUTH." [UB 190:4.1]



Do you not know that this man of Nazareth told his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem, be delivered up to his enemies, who would put him to death, and that he would arise on the third day? Have you not been told all this? And have you never read in the Scriptures concerning this day of salvation for Jew and gentile, where it says that in him shall all the families of the earth be blessed; that he will hear the cry of the needy and save the souls of the poor who seek him; that all nations shall call him blessed? That such a Deliverer shall be as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land. [UB 190:5:4]

guest was Jesus himself. As he said, "It is the Master," the morontia Jesus vanished from their sight. They rushed from the house, and hastened back to Jerusalem to spread the good news of the risen Savior. These two excited brothers broke in upon the apostles in the upper chamber, declaring that they had seen Jesus and talked with him. They told all that Jesus had

said to them and how they had not discerned who he was until the time of the breaking of the bread.

JESUS' EIGHTH MORONTIA APPEARANCE - SUNDAY APRIL 9 8:30 PM

- **Jerusalem at the garden of the home of John Mark**
- **Appeared to Peter**

• FIRST STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION

Peter was living under a heavy burden of doubt and guilt ever since his denial of Jesus. Like Judas, he even thought that he, too, had betrayed his Master. However, Peter then remembered that the risen Jesus had said to this early morning gathering of the women at the empty tomb (Jesus' first post-resurrection appearance) **"GO TELL MY APOSTLES -- AND PETER."** Peter contemplated these tokens of mercy, and his faith began to surmount his doubts. He stood still, clenching his fists, and spoke aloud: "I believe he has risen from the dead; I will go and tell my brethren." [UB 191:1.2] It was to Peter, in such a frame of mind and in such a state of soul, that Jesus appeared as the dejected apostle strolled among the flowers and shrubs.

Peter and the morontia Jesus walked through the garden and talked of things past, present, and future for almost five minutes, after which the Master vanished from his gaze, saying, "Farewell, Peter, until I see you with your brethren." For a moment, Peter was overcome by the realization that he had talked with the risen Master, and that he could be sure he was still an ambassador of the kingdom. He had just heard the glorified Master exhorting him to go on preaching the gospel. He rushed to the upper chamber and into the presence of his fellow apostles, exclaiming in breathless excitement: "I have seen the Master; he was in the garden. I talked with him, and he has forgiven me."

But, at this time, Andrew got up and warned them not to be too much influenced by his brother's report. Andrew alluded to Peter's report of "the Master coming to them walking on the water". The twins felt very sorry for Peter; they both went over to express their sympathy and to say that they believed him and to reassert that their own mother had also seen the Master.

JESUS' NINTH MORONTIA APPEARANCE - SUNDAY APRIL 9 9:00 PM

- **Jerusalem, the home of John Mark**
- **Appeared to the ten apostles**
- **FIRST STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION**

Cleopas and Jacob, the two brothers from Emmaus who had previously been graced by a morontia appearance from the risen Jesus, went to the home of John Mark and informed the remaining ten apostles (Judas had taken his own life, and Thomas happened to not be present at this time). The ten apostles were there assembled in the upper chamber with all the doors

bolted for fear of arrest. It was then that the Master, in morontia form, suddenly appeared in the midst of them, saying:

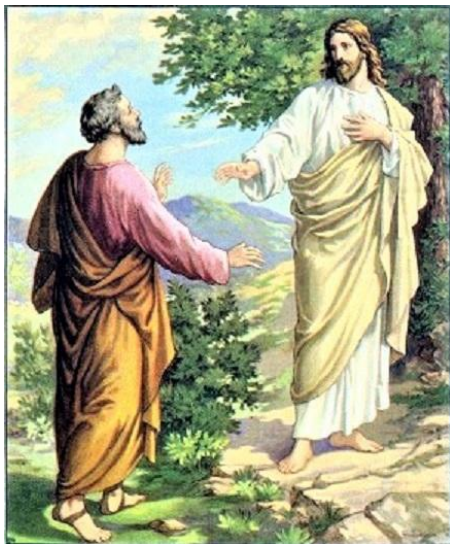
JESUS' FIRST MANSION WORLD ADVANCEMENT

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JESUS' PROMISES TO HIS MORTAL CREATURES [UB 190:5.4]

- **IN HIM SHALL ALL THE FAMILIES OF THE EARTH BE BLESSED**
- **HE WILL HEAR THE CRY OF THE NEEDY AND SAVE THE SOULS OF THE POOR WHO SEEK HIM**
- **ALL NATIONS SHALL CALL HIM BLESSED**
- **HE WILL FEED THE FLOCK LIKE A TRUE SHEPHERD**
- **HE WILL OPEN THE EYES OF THE SPIRITUALLY BLIND AND BRING THE PRISONERS OF DESPAIR OUT INTO FULL LIBERTY AND LIGHT**
- **ALL WHO SIT IN DARKNESS SHALL SEE THE GREAT LIGHT OF ETERNAL SALVATION**
- **HE WILL BIND UP THE BROKENHEARTED, PROCLAIM LIBERTY TO THE CAPTIVES OF SIN, AND OPEN UP THE PRISON TO THOSE WHO ARE ENSLAVED BY FEAR AND BOUND BY EVIL**
- **HE WILL COMFORT THOSE WHO MOURN AND BESTOW UPON THEM THE JOY OF SALVATION IN THE PLACE OF SORROW AND HEAVINESS**
- **HE SHALL BE THE DESIRE OF ALL NATIONS AND THE EVERLASTING JOY OF THOSE WHO SEEK RIGHTEOUSNESS**
- **THIS SON OF TRUTH AND RIGHTEOUSNESS SHALL RISE UPON THE WORLD WITH HEALING LIGHT AND SAVING POWER**
- **HE WILL SAVE HIS PEOPLE FROM THEIR SINS**
- **HE WILL NOT DESTROY THE WEAK BUT MINISTER SALVATION TO ALL WHO HUNGER AND THIRST FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS**
- **THOSE WHO BELIEVE IN HIM SHALL HAVE ETERNAL LIFE**
- **HE WILL POUR OUT HIS SPIRIT UPON ALL FLESH**
- **THIS SPIRIT OF TRUTH SHALL BE IN EACH BELIEVER A WELL OF WATER**

THE 2nd MANSION WORLD EXPERIENCE (1 appearance):



"PETER, THE ENEMY DESIRED TO HAVE YOU, but I would not give you up. I knew IT WAS NOT FROM THE HEART THAT YOU DISOWNED ME; therefore I FORGAVE YOU EVEN BEFORE YOU ASKED; but now must you cease to think about yourself and the troubles of the hour while you prepare to CARRY THE GOOD NEWS OF THE GOSPEL TO THOSE WHO SIT IN DARKNESS. No longer should you be concerned with what you may obtain from the kingdom but rather be exercised about what you can give to those who live in dire spiritual poverty. GIRD YOURSELF, SIMON, FOR THE BATTLE OF A NEW DAY, THE STRUGGLE WITH SPIRITUAL DARKNESS AND THE EVIL DOUBTINGS OF THE NATURAL MINDS OF MEN." [UB 191:1.2]

Mansion World No. 2 (UB 47:4) is the other negative training world that seeks to correct intellectual conflict and mental disharmony. It is where religious and doctrinal issues are clarified and corrected.

Brought up to the status of mortals living during the postMagisterial Son age.

- Do you practice revelatory religion?
- Are you working on self-improvement?
- Are you gaining political astuteness?
- Are you pursuing ways to effect planetary advancement?
- Are you learning to appreciate art, music, science and higher learning?
- Are you spiritually hungry?
- Are you seeking, asking, knocking?

MANSONIA NUMBER TWO provides for **THE REMOVAL OF ALL PHASES OF INTELLECTUAL CONFLICT** and for **THE CURE OF ALL VARIETIES OF MENTAL DISHARMONY**. Students on this world **MASTER THE SIGNIFICANCE OF MORONTIA MOTA**, a devotion begun on the first mansion world and is here more earnestly continued. Individual development on mansonia number two compares with **THE INTELLECTUAL STATUS OF THE POST-MAGISTERIAL SON CULTURE OF THE IDEAL EVOLUTIONARY WORLDS**:

JESUS' TENTH APPEARANCE – APRIL 11 8:00 AM

- **Philadelphia, the local synagogue**

- Appeared to Abner, Lazarus, and 150 of their associates (including more than fifty of the evangelistic corps of the seventy)
- **SECOND STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION**

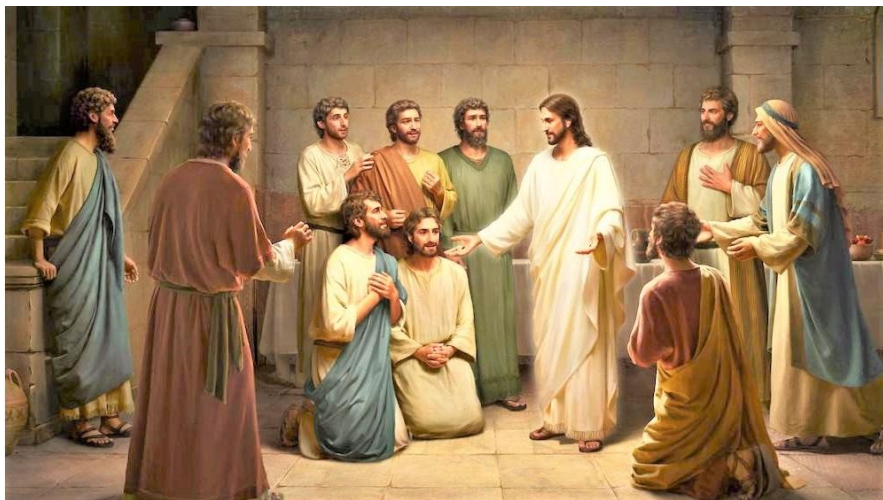
THE SECOND MANSION WORLD



It is on this sphere that you are MORE FULLY INDUCTED INTO THE MANSONIA LIFE. The groupings of the morontia life begin to take form; WORKING GROUPS and social organizations start to function, communities take on formal proportions, and the advancing mortals inaugurate new social orders and governmental arrangements. [UB 47:4:1]

Abner had arranged a special meeting in the synagogue to discuss the crucifixion of Jesus and the more recent report of the resurrection which had been brought by David's messenger. The resurrected Lazarus was in attendance within this group of believers, so

it was not difficult for them to believe the report that Jesus had risen from the dead. As Abner and Lazarus opened the meeting in the synagogue, the entire audience of believers saw the form of the Master suddenly appear between Abner and Lazarus, neither of whom had observed him. He stepped forward and saluting the company, said:



“PEACE BE UPON YOU. *Why are you so frightened when I appear, as though you had seen a spirit? Did I not tell you about these things when I was present with you in the flesh? Did I not say to you that the chief priests and the rulers would deliver me up to be killed, that one of your own number would betray me, and that on the third day I would rise? Wherefore all your doubtings and all this discussion about the reports of the women, Cleopas and Jacob, and even Peter?* **HOW LONG WILL YOU DOUBT MY WORDS AND REFUSE TO BELIEVE MY PROMISES?** *And now that you actually see me, will you believe? EVEN NOW ONE OF YOU IS ABSENT. When you are gathered together once more, and after all of you know of a certainty that the Son of Man has risen from the grave, go hence into Galilee. Have faith in God; have faith in one another; and so shall you enter into the new service of the kingdom of heaven. I will tarry in Jerusalem with you until you are ready to go into Galilee.* **MY PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU.”** [UB 191:2.2]

"PEACE BE UPON YOU. You all know that WE HAVE ONE FATHER IN HEAVEN, and that THERE IS BUT ONE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM -- THE GOOD NEWS OF THE GIFT OF ETERNAL LIFE WHICH MEN RECEIVE BY FAITH. As you rejoice in your loyalty to the gospel, pray the Father of truth to SHED ABROAD IN YOUR HEARTS A NEW AND GREATER LOVE FOR YOUR BRETHREN. You are to LOVE ALL MEN AS I HAVE LOVED YOU; you are to SERVE ALL MEN AS I HAVE SERVED YOU. With understanding sympathy and brotherly affection, FELLOWSHIP ALL YOUR BRETHREN WHO ARE DEDICATED TO THE PROCLAMATION OF THE GOOD NEWS, whether they be Jew or gentile, Greek or Roman, Persian or Ethiopian. John proclaimed the kingdom in advance; you have preached the gospel in power; the Greeks already teach the good news; and I AM SOON TO SEND FORTH THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH INTO THE SOULS OF ALL THESE, MY BRETHREN, who have so unselfishly dedicated their lives to the enlightenment of their fellows who sit in spiritual darkness. You are all the children of light; therefore STUMBLE NOT INTO THE MISUNDERSTANDING ENTANGLEMENTS OF MORTAL SUSPICION AND HUMAN INTOLERANCE. If you are ennobled, by the grace of faith, to LOVE UNBELIEVERS, should you not also equally LOVE THOSE WHO ARE YOUR FELLOW BELIEVERS IN THE FAR-SPREADING HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH?"

1st Morontia Phase, Appearances 1-9 [Sunday April 9]

April	9	Sunday	2:45 a.m.—The Paradise incarnation commission consisting of seven unidentified Paradise personalities, arrives on the scene. 3 a.m.—Midwayers move the tombstone and the guards flee. Resurrected Jesus comes forth from the tomb in morontia form. He instructs Gabriel and speaks to the assembled morontia groups hailing from the seven mansion worlds. Meanwhile, the apostles are asleep at the home of Elijah Mark. About fifteen disciples stay at the home of Nicodemus, and about twenty of the women's corps
April	9	Sunday	About 3:30 a.m.—Mary Magdalene and others find the tomb empty. Mary is the first to encounter the morontia Jesus. The apostles do not believe her story but David Zebedee does. Jesus appears to Mary a second time.
April	9	Sunday	About 4 a.m.—Gabriel summons the archangels to inaugurate the resurrection of the termination of the Adamic dispensation on Urantia. The archangel circuit operates from Urantia for the first time.
April	9	Sunday	10 a.m.—David ignores the doubting apostles and sends out his messengers to proclaim the resurrection of Jesus.
April	9	Sunday	Noon—Jesus' third appearance, to his brother James in Bethany.
April	9	Sunday	2 p.m.—Jesus' fourth appearance, to his family and friends at the home of Martha and Mary in Bethany.
April	9	Sunday	4:15 p.m.—Jesus' fifth appearance, to twenty-five women believers at the home of Joseph of Arimathea.
April	9	Sunday	4:30 p.m.—Jesus' sixth appearance, to about forty Greek believers at the home of Flavius.
April	9	Sunday	5 p.m.—Jesus' seventh appearance, to Cleopas and his brother Jacob. They rush back to Jerusalem to spread the word.
April	9	Sunday	8 p.m.—The Sanhedrin call a hasty conference after hearing rumors of appearances. Decide to throw out of the synagogue anyone who mentions the resurrection.
April	9	Sunday	8:30 p.m.—Jesus' eighth appearance, to Peter in the garden of the Mark home.
April	9	Sunday	9 p.m.—Jesus' ninth appearance. Cleopas and Jacob go to the apostles at Elijah Mark's house to relate their story. After they leave, Jesus appears to all but Thomas, who remains depressed in Bethpage.

Remember, AS YOU LOVE ONE ANOTHER, ALL MEN WILL KNOW THAT YOU ARE MY DISCIPLES.

GO, THEN, INTO ALL THE WORLD PROCLAIMING THIS GOSPEL OF THE FATHERHOOD OF GOD AND THE BROTHERHOOD OF MEN TO ALL NATIONS AND RACES *and ever be wise in your choice of methods for presenting the good news to the different races and tribes of mankind.* **FREELY YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM, AND YOU WILL FREELY GIVE THE GOOD NEWS TO ALL NATIONS.** *Fear not the resistance of evil, for I am with you always, even to the end of the ages. And MY PEACE I LEAVE WITH YOU."* *When he had said, "my peace I leave with you," he vanished from their sight.* [UB 191:4.3-5]

This group in Philadelphia embraced the largest number of mortals who saw him on any single occasion up to this tenth post-resurrection appearance. Early the next morning, these believers at Philadelphia went forth proclaiming that Jesus of Nazareth had risen from the dead.



The next day, WEDNESDAY, JESUS SPENT WITHOUT INTERRUPTION IN THE SOCIETY OF HIS MORONTIA ASSOCIATES, and during the midafternoon hours HE RECEIVED VISITING MORONTIA DELEGATES FROM THE MANSION WORLDS OF EVERY LOCAL SYSTEM OF INHABITED SPHERES THROUGHOUT THE CONSTELLATION OF NORLATIADEK. *And they all rejoiced to know their Creator as one of their own order of universe intelligence.* [UB 191:4.7]

JESUS' SECOND MANSION WORLD ADVANCEMENT

2nd Morontia Phase, Appearance 10 [Tuesday April 11]

April	10	Monday	Jesus spends the day with over one million morontia personalities who were then present on Urantia. He remains with them for forty days, instructing and learning. Jesus' morontia form adjusted to the second stage.
April	11	Tuesday	8 a.m.—Jesus' tenth appearance, at Philadelphia to Abner, Lazarus, and 150 associates, including most of the evangelical corps.
April	12	Wednesday	Jesus spent this day in the society of his morontia associates, receiving visiting morontia delegates from the mansion worlds of every local system of inhabited spheres in the constellation of Norlatiadek (100 systems).

JESUS' EXHORTATIONS TO THE PHILADELPHIA BELIEVERS [UB 191:4.3]

- WE HAVE ONE FATHER IN HEAVEN,
- THERE IS BUT ONE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM -- THE GOOD NEWS OF THE GIFT OF ETERNAL LIFE WHICH MEN RECEIVE BY FAITH
- SHED ABROAD IN YOUR HEARTS A NEW AND GREATER LOVE FOR YOUR BRETHREN.
- LOVE ALL MEN AS I HAVE LOVED YOU
- SERVE ALL MEN AS I HAVE SERVED YOU
- FELLOWSHIP ALL YOUR BRETHREN WHO ARE DEDICATED TO THE PROCLAMATION OF THE GOOD
- I AM SOON TO SEND FORTH THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH INTO THE SOULS OF ALL THESE, MY BRETHREN
- STUMBLE NOT INTO THE MISUNDERSTANDING ENTANGLEMENTS OF MORTAL SUSPICION AND HUMAN INTOLERANCE
- LOVE UNBELIEVERS
- LOVE THOSE WHO ARE YOUR FELLOW BELIEVERS IN THE FAR-SPREADING HOUSEHOLD OF FAITH
- AS YOU LOVE ONE ANOTHER, ALL MEN WILL KNOW THAT YOU ARE MY DISCIPLES
- GO, THEN, INTO ALL THE WORLD PROCLAIMING THIS GOSPEL OF THE FATHERHOOD OF GOD AND THE BROTHERHOOD OF MEN TO ALL NATIONS AND RACES. FREELY YOU HAVE RECEIVED THIS GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM, AND YOU WILL FREELY GIVE THE GOOD NEWS TO ALL NATIONS

THE 3rd MANSION WORLD EXPERIENCE (1 Appearance):

Once you have graduated to **MANSION WORLD NUMBER THREE**, you will be allowed to visit the **THIRD TRANSITION SPHERE**, the **HEADQUARTERS OF THE ANGELIC ORDERS** and the home of their various system training schools. Visits to Jerusem itself from this world are increasingly profitable and are of ever-heightening interest to the advancing mortals.

JESUS' ELEVENTH MORONTIA APPEARANCE – SUNDAY APRIL 16 6:00 PM

- Jerusalem, at John Mark's home
- Appeared to the apostles, including Thomas

Mansion World No. 3 (UB 47:5) is the first world where you will be progressive in training, not just correcting deficiencies. You will gain an enhanced understanding of morontia mota and mortal logic, and learn to coordinate the two. This is apparently where the Apostle Paul was briefly taken in spirit. (**2 Corinthians 12:2**)

Brought up to the status of mortals living during the post-Bestowal Son age.

- Are you learning and living the 'new way' Jesus taught and exemplified?
- Are you striving to be of noble character?
- Are you putting the golden rule to practical use?
- Are you experiencing and following the leading of the Spirit of Truth?



THE THIRD MANSION WORLD

MANSONIA THE THIRD is a world of **GREAT PERSONAL AND SOCIAL ACHIEVEMENT** for all who have not made the equivalent of these circles of culture prior to release from the flesh on the mortal nativity worlds. On this sphere more positive educational work is begun. The training of the first two mansion worlds is mostly of a deficiency nature -- negative -- in that it has to do with supplementing the experience of the life in the flesh. On this third mansion world the survivors really **BEGIN THEIR PROGRESSIVE MORONTIA CULTURE**. The chief purpose of this training is to enhance the understanding of the correlation of morontia mota and mortal logic, the co-ordination of morontia mota and human philosophy. Surviving mortals now **GAIN PRACTICAL INSIGHT INTO TRUE METAPHYSICS**. This is the real introduction to the intelligent comprehension of **COSMIC MEANINGS** and **UNIVERSE INTERRELATIONSHIPS**. The culture of the third mansion world partakes of the nature of **THE POSTBESTOWAL SON AGE OF A NORMAL INHABITED PLANET**. [UB 47:5:3]

• THIRD STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION

Thomas had been spending much time alone with himself in the hills around about Olivet. He was only seeing Simon's house and John Mark. It was about nine o'clock on Saturday, April 15, when these two apostles found him and took him back with them to their rendezvous at the Mark home. Thomas listened to the revealing of the stories of the Master's various appearances, but he still refused to believe. He accused Peter of encouraging them into thinking they had seen the Master. Thomas' emotional stubbornness and his customary doubtfulness, along with his stubborn state of mind, secluded him into a state of isolation. Thomas was fully confused, so much so that he had withdrawn from his fellows; he had gone his own way, and now, even when he was back among them, he subconsciously tended to assert an attitude of disagreement

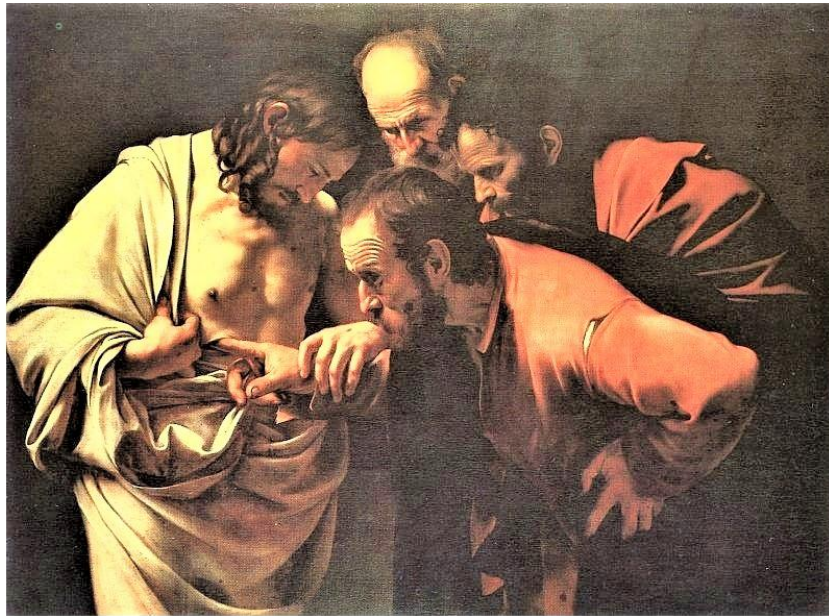
As the other ten apostles were having their evening meal a little after six o'clock, Peter was sitting on one side of Thomas and Nathaniel on the other. Thomas said to them: "I will not believe unless I see the Master with my own eyes and put my finger in the mark of the nails." [UB 191:5.2] As they thus sat at supper, and while the doors were securely shut and barred,

the morontia Master suddenly appeared inside the curvature of the table and, standing directly in front of Thomas, said:

“PEACE BE UPON YOU. *For a full week have I tarried that I might appear again when you were all present to hear once more* **THE COMMISSION TO GO INTO ALL THE WORLD AND PREACH THIS GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM.** *Again I tell you: As the Father sent me into the world, so send I you. As I have revealed the Father, so shall you reveal the divine love, not merely with words, but in your daily living.* **I SEND YOU FORTH, NOT TO LOVE THE SOULS OF MEN, BUT RATHER TO LOVE MEN.** *You are not merely to proclaim the joys of heaven but also to* **EXHIBIT IN YOUR DAILY EXPERIENCE THESE SPIRIT REALITIES OF THE DIVINE LIFE** *since you already have eternal life, as the gift of God, through faith. When you have faith, WHEN POWER FROM ON HIGH, THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH, HAS COME UPON YOU, YOU WILL NOT HIDE YOUR LIGHT HERE BEHIND CLOSED DOORS; you will* **MAKE KNOWN THE LOVE AND THE MERCY OF GOD TO ALL MANKIND.** *Through fear you now flee from the facts of a disagreeable experience, but when you shall have been BAPTIZED WITH THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH, you will bravely and joyously* **GO FORTH TO MEET THE NEW EXPERIENCES OF PROCLAIMING THE GOOD NEWS OF ETERNAL LIFE IN THE KINGDOM OF GOD.** *You may tarry here and in Galilee for a short season while you recover from the shock of the* **TRANSITION FROM THE FALSE SECURITY OF THE AUTHORITY OF TRADITIONALISM TO THE NEW ORDER OF THE AUTHORITY OF FACTS, TRUTH, AND FAITH IN THE SUPREME REALITIES OF LIVING EXPERIENCE.** *Your mission to the world is founded on the fact that I lived a God-revealing life among you; on the truth that* **YOU AND ALL OTHER MEN ARE THE SONS OF GOD;** *and it shall consist in the life which you will live among men — the actual and living experience of loving men and serving them, even as I have loved and served you.* **LET FAITH REVEAL YOUR LIGHT TO THE WORLD;** *let the revelation of truth open the eyes blinded by tradition; LET YOUR LOVING SERVICE EFFECTUALLY DESTROY THE PREJUDICE ENGENDERED BY IGNORANCE.* *By so drawing close to your fellow men in understanding sympathy and with unselfish devotion, you will lead them into a saving knowledge of the Father’s love. The Jews have extolled goodness; the Greeks have exalted beauty; the Hindus preach devotion; the faraway ascetics teach reverence; the Romans demand loyalty; but* **I REQUIRE OF MY DISCIPLES LIFE, EVEN A LIFE OF LOVING SERVICE FOR YOUR BROTHERS IN THE FLESH.”** [UB 191:5.3]

When the Master had so spoken, he looked down into the face of Thomas and said:

Thomas heard these words and fell on his knees before the morontia Master and exclaimed, “I believe! My Lord and my Master!” Jesus responded to Thomas: “You have believed, Thomas, because you have really seen and heard me. Blessed are those in the ages to come who will believe even though they have not seen with the eye of flesh nor heard with the mortal ear.” [UB 191:5.5] Jesus then addressed them all, saying: “And now go all of you to Galilee, where I will presently appear to you.” After he said this, he vanished from their sight. [UB 191:5.6]



*“And you, Thomas, who said you would not believe unless you could see me and put your finger in the nail marks of my hands, have now beheld me and heard my words; and though you see no nail marks on my hands, since I am raised in the form that you also shall have when you depart from this world, what will you say to your brethren? You will acknowledge the truth, for already in your heart you had begun to believe even when you so stoutly asserted your unbelief. **YOUR DOUBTS, THOMAS, ALWAYS MOST STUBBORNLY ASSERT THEMSELVES JUST AS THEY ARE ABOUT TO CRUMBLE.** Thomas, **I BID YOU BE NOT FAITHLESS BUT BELIEVING** — and I know you will believe, even with a whole heart.” [UB 191:3.4]*

JESUS' THIRD MANSION WORLD ADVANCEMENT

3rd Morontia Phase, Appearance 11 [Sunday April 16]

April	14	Friday	Jesus transits to the third morontia stage.
April	15	Saturday	Peter and John go to Bethpage to bring back Thomas.
April	16	Sunday	6 p.m.—Jesus' eleventh appearance, to the apostles at John Mark's, including Thomas.

THE 4th MANSION WORLD EXPERIENCE (2 Appearances):

Mansion World No. 4 (UB 47:6) is where you will be introduced to the true social life of morontia beings, based on an understanding sympathy of mutual appreciation, unselfish love of mutual service, and the realization of a common and supreme destiny.

Brought up to the status of mortals living during the post-Teacher Son age.

- Are you mastering self-control and self-governance?
- Are you growing in wisdom, spirituality, and cosmic illumination?
- Do you practice justice and live mercy?



The intellectual and social culture of this FOURTH MANSION WORLD is comparable to the mental and social life of THE POST-TEACHER SON AGE on the planets of normal evolution. The SPIRITUAL STATUS IS MUCH IN ADVANCE OF SUCH A MORTAL DISPENSATION. [UB 47:6:4]

JESUS' TWELFTH MORONTIA APPEARANCE - TUESDAY APRIL 18 8:30 PM

- **Alexandria**
- **Appeared to Rodan and some eighty other believers**
- **FOURTH STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION**

The eleven apostles were on the way to Galilee in anticipation for their next encounter with the risen Jesus. On Tuesday evening, April 18, at about half past eight o'clock, Jesus appeared to Rodan and some eighty other believers in Alexandria, this being his twelfth appearance in morontia form. There was delivered a report of David's arriving messenger regarding the crucifixion. When he had delivered his message to Rodan, it was decided to call the believers together to receive this tragic word from the messenger himself. The messenger, Nathan of

Busiris, came before this group and told them in detail all that had been told him by the preceding runner: "But David, who sends us this word, reports that the Master, in foretelling his death, declared that he would rise again." [UB 191:6.1] As Nathan spoke, the morontia Master appeared there in full view of all. Jesus said:



"PEACE BE UPON YOU. *That which my Father sent me into the world to establish belongs not to a race, a nation, nor to a special group of teachers or preachers. THIS GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM BELONGS TO BOTH JEW AND GENTILE, TO RICH AND POOR, TO FREE AND BOND, TO MALE AND FEMALE, EVEN TO THE LITTLE CHILDREN. And YOU ARE ALL TO PROCLAIM THIS GOSPEL OF LOVE AND TRUTH BY THE LIVES WHICH YOU LIVE IN THE FLESH. You shall LOVE ONE ANOTHER WITH A NEW AND STARTLING AFFECTION, even as I have loved you. YOU WILL SERVE MANKIND WITH A NEW AND AMAZING DEVOTION, even as I have served you. And when men see you so love them, and when they behold how fervently you serve them, they will perceive that you have become faith-fellows of the kingdom of heaven, and they will follow after the Spirit of Truth which they see in your lives, to the finding of eternal salvation.*

As the Father sent me into this world, even so now send I you. YOU ARE ALL CALLED TO CARRY THE GOOD NEWS TO THOSE WHO SIT IN DARKNESS. This gospel of the kingdom belongs to all who believe it; it shall not be committed to the custody of mere priests. SOON WILL THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH COME UPON YOU, AND HE SHALL LEAD YOU INTO ALL TRUTH. Go you, therefore, into all the world preaching this gospel, and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the ages." [UB 191:6,2,3]

After Jesus had spoken, he vanished from their sight. Rodan and his remained together recounting their experiences as kingdom believers. They all believed that Jesus had risen from the dead. When David's herald of the resurrection arrived the second day after the Master's twelfth appearance, they replied to this announcement, saying: "Yes, we know, for we have seen him. He appeared to us day before yesterday." [UB 191:6.4]

JESUS' THIRTEENTH MORONTIA APPEARANCE – APRIL 21 FRIDAY 6:00 AM

- **Galilee, near the shore at Bethsaida**
- **Appeared to the ten apostles and John Mark**
- **FOURTH STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION**

The morontia Master made his thirteenth appearance about six o'clock Friday morning, April 21. This was his first appearance in Galilee, to the ten apostles as their boat drew near the shore at Bethsaida (Simon Zelotes had grown more and more despondent as they earlier drew near Galilee. When they reached Bethsaida, he forsook his brethren and returned to his

home). The apostles had spent the afternoon and early evening of Thursday in waiting at the Zebedee home, Simon Peter suggested that they go fishing, and all of the apostles chose to go along. All night they worked with the nets but caught no fish. When daylight came, they returned to Bethsaida. Nearing the shore, they saw someone on the beach standing by a fire. Their first thought was that it was John Mark welcoming them back with their catch, but as they drew nearer the shore, they saw they were mistaken – the man was too tall for John. Jesus had told them that, if they would go into Galilee, he would meet them there, and he was about to fulfill that promise.

They dropped anchor and prepared for going ashore. The man on the beach called to them, “Lads, have you caught anything?” And when they answered, “No,” he spoke again. “Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find fish.” [UB 192:1.3] They did not know it was Jesus who had directed them. They cast in the net as they had been instructed, and immediately it was filled. When John saw the heavy-laden net, he perceived that it was the Master who had spoken to them. He whispered to Peter, “It is the Master.” Peter quickly arose and cast himself into the water that he might the sooner reach the Master’s side. His brethren followed close behind him.



Now, John Zebedee was quick of perception, and when he saw the heavy-laden net, he perceived that it was the Master who had spoken to them. When this thought came into his mind, he leaned over and whispered to Peter, “It is the Master.” Peter was ever a man of thoughtless action and impetuous devotion; so when John whispered this in his ear, he quickly arose and cast himself into the water that he might the sooner reach the Master’s side. His brethren came up close behind him, having come ashore in the small boat, hauling the net of fishes after them. UB 192:1.3]

John Mark was up and, seeing the apostles coming ashore, ran down the beach to greet them. Seeing eleven men instead of ten, he surmised that the unrecognized one was the risen Jesus. The youth rushed up to the Master and, kneeling at his feet, said, “My Lord and my Master.” And then Jesus spoke in commonplace tones to John Mark: “Well, John, I am glad to see you again and in carefree Galilee, where we can have a good visit. Stay with us, John, and have breakfast.” [UB 191:1.4] This was not a miraculous catch of fish; there was no miracle connected with this episode. Rather, it was an exercise of the Master’s **preknowledge** - he knew the fish were there and accordingly directed the apostles where to cast their net.

Jesus spoke to them, saying: “Come now, all of you, to breakfast. Even the twins should sit down while I visit with you; John Mark will dress the fish.” [UB 191:1.8] John Mark brought seven good-sized fish which the Master cooked on the fire, and John Mark served them to the

ten. Jesus broke the bread and handed it to John, who in turn served it to the hungry apostles. When they had all been served, Jesus bade John Mark sit down while he himself served the fish and the bread to him. And as they were eating, Jesus reminisced for more than an hour their many experiences in Galilee by this very lake. He then walked along the beach and talked with them two and two. Before taking leave of them, Jesus directed that two of the apostles should volunteer to go to Simon Zelotes and bring him back that very day; and Peter and Andrew did so.

4th Morontia Phase, Appearances 12 and 13 [Tuesday, Friday April 18 and 21]

April	17	Monday	Jesus transits to fourth morontia stage.
April	18	Tuesday	8:30 p.m.—Jesus' twelfth appearance, to Rodan and 80 others in Alexandria. David's messenger (the 5th runner of a relay) had just arrived with the message of Jesus' death (took 11 days).
April	21	Friday	Morning—Jesus' thirteenth appearance, to the apostles in Galilee. Teaches them two and two.

JESUS' FOURTH MANSION WORLD ADVANCEMENT

THE FIFTH MANSION WORLD EXPERIENCE (1 APPEARANCE):

Advancement to the fifth mansion world represents a major forward step in the life of a morontia ascender. This experience presents is a true foretaste of Jerusem life. You begin to realize the high destiny of the loyal evolutionary worlds since they may normally progress to this stage during their natural planetary development. The culture of this mansion world corresponds to that of the early era of light and life on the planets of normal evolutionary progress. On the fifth mansonia you begin to learn of the constellation study worlds. Your instructors begin to prepare you for the subsequent constellation sojourn. This preparation continues on worlds six and seven, while the acme of this accomplishment anticipates that which is supplied in the sector of the ascending mortals on Jerusem.

JESUS' FOURTEENTH MORONTIA APPEARANCE – APRIL 22 SATURDAY NOON

- **Capernaum**
- **Appeared to the eleven apostles**
- **FIFTH STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION**

At noon on Saturday, April 22, all the eleven apostles (Simon Zelotes having joined them) assembled by appointment on the hill near Capernaum. Jesus appeared among them. This meeting occurred on the very mount where the Master had sanctified them as his apostles and ambassadors of the Father's kingdom on earth. The eleven apostles knelt in a circle about the Master and heard him repeat the charges re-enacting the ordination scene when they were

Mansion World No. 5 (UB 47:7) is where you begin to learn of the constellation study worlds in preparation for morontia life, where you will begin to take on true cosmic consciousness.

Brought up to the status of mortals living during the early era of light and life.

We are told that the majority of mortals reach adjuster fusion at this time and have gained a proper perspective of human death and resurrection.

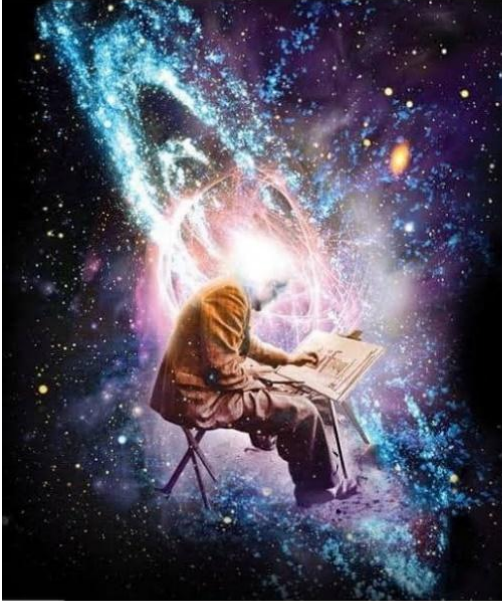
- Have you attained a mature view of mortal death?
- Are you filled with faith, hope and assurance?
- Is your personal study voluntary, your unselfish service natural, and your worship spontaneous?
- Are you ready for adjuster fusion?

If so, at this point, you can begin your training on Jerusem, after mortal death, without having to undergo training in worlds 6 or 7! When we achieve that status, we are **SUPERMORTAL!**

first set apart for the special work of the kingdom. And all of this as to them as a memory of their former consecration to the Father's service. The morontia Jesus now prayed in tones of majesty and with words of power such as the apostles had not before heard. These eleven men never forgot this experience of the morontia rededication to the former pledges of ambassadorship. The Master spent just one hour on this mount with his ambassadors. and when he had taken an affectionate farewell of them, he vanished from their sight. No one saw Jesus for a full week. The apostles really had no idea what to do; they did not know whether the Master had gone to the Father; they remained at Bethsaida. They were even afraid to go fishing lest he come to visit them and they miss seeing him. During this entire week Jesus was occupied with the morontia creatures on earth and with the affairs of the morontia transition which he was experiencing on this world.

JESUS' FIFTH MANSION WORLD ADVANCEMENT

THE FIFTH MANSION WORLD



A real BIRTH OF COSMIC CONSCIOUSNESS takes place on MANSONIA NUMBER FIVE. You are becoming UNIVERSE MINDED. This is indeed a time of expanding horizons. It is beginning to dawn upon the enlarging minds of the ascending mortals that some stupendous and magnificent, some supernal and divine, destiny awaits all who complete the progressive Paradise ascension, which has been so laboriously but so joyfully and auspiciously begun. At about this point the average mortal ascender begins to MANIFEST BONA FIDE EXPERIENTIAL ENTHUSIASM FOR THE HAVONA ASCENT. Study is becoming voluntary, unselfish service natural, and worship spontaneous. A REAL MORONTIA CHARACTER IS BUDDING; A REAL MORONTIA CREATURE IS EVOLVING. [UB 47:7:5]

5th Morontia Phase, Appearance 14 [Saturday April 22]

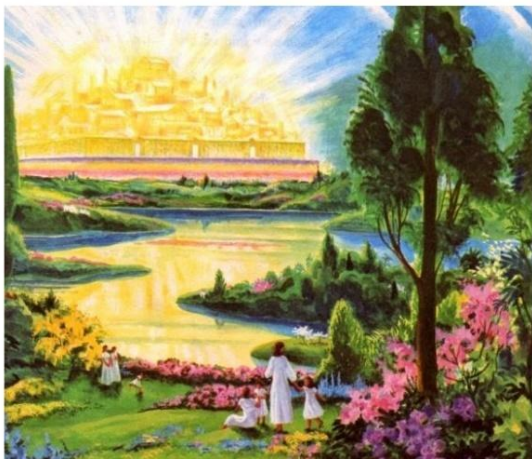
April	22	Saturday	Jesus transits to the fifth morontia stage. He makes his 14th appearance at noon—to the apostles on a hill near Capernaum—the same place as the original ordination of the twelve. A rededication to the former pledges of ambassadorship. Jesus spends the rest of the week with morontia personalities.
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Mansion World No. 6 (UB 47:8) is where you begin to learn about the spirit career that follows graduation from morontia life, and the technique of universe administration.

Brought up to the status of mortals who have progressed beyond the initial stage of light and life.

THE SIXTH MANSION WORLD EXPERIENCE (1 Appearance):

THE SIXTH MANSION WORLD



*During the sojourn on world number six the mansion world students achieve a status which is comparable with the exalted development characterizing those evolutionary worlds which have normally progressed **BEYOND THE INITIAL STAGE OF LIGHT AND LIFE**. The organization of society on this mansion is of a high order. The shadow of the mortal nature grows less and less as these worlds are ascended one by one. You are becoming more and more adorable as you leave behind the coarse vestiges of planetary animal origin. "Coming up through great tribulation" **SERVES TO MAKE GLORIFIED MORTALS VERY KIND AND UNDERSTANDING, VERY SYMPATHETIC AND TOLERANT.** [UB 47:8:7]*

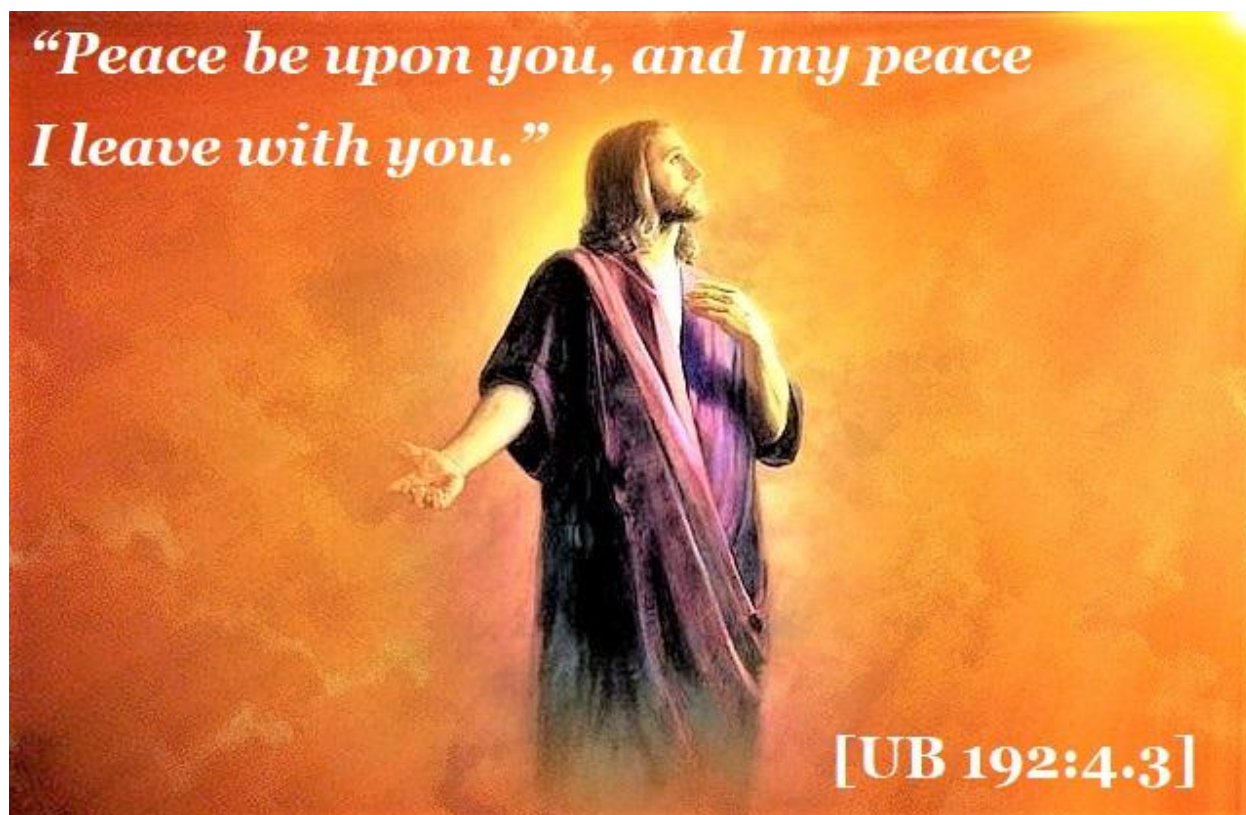
The initial instruction on the sixth mansion world concerns the technique of universe administration, the first lessons embracing the affairs of a whole universe. This is a brilliant age for ascending mortals and usually witnesses the perfect fusion of the human mind and the divine adjuster. Such fusion may have occurred previously, but the actual progression of this new unified identity is accelerated during the time of the sojourn on the fifth mansion world and even on the sixth.

JESUS' FIFTEENTH MORONTIA APPEARANCE – APRIL 29 SATURDAY 3:00 PM

- Galilee, near the shore at Bethsaida
- Appeared to the ten apostles and John Mark
- **SIXTH STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION**

As word of the appearances of Jesus was spreading throughout Galilee, increasing numbers of believers arrived at the Zebedee home to ask about Jesus' resurrection and these recent reputed appearances. Peter had sent out word that a public meeting would be held by the seaside the next Sabbath at three o'clock in the afternoon. On Saturday, April 29, at three o'clock, more than five hundred believers from around Capernaum assembled at Bethsaida to hear Peter preach his first public sermon since the resurrection. Peter was at his very best, and when he finished his appealing discourse, his hearers truly believed that the Master had risen from the dead. Peter ended his sermon, saying: "We affirm that Jesus of Nazareth is not dead; we declare that he has risen from the tomb; we proclaim that we have seen him and talked with him." [UB 192:4.3] As he finished making this declaration of faith, the Master appeared there by his side, in full view of all these people. the Master appeared in morontia form and, speaking to them in familiar accents, said, "Peace be upon you, and my peace I

leave with you." When he had thus appeared and had so spoken to them, he vanished from their sight.



6th Morontia Phase, Appearance 15 [Saturday April 29]

April	27	Thursday	Jesus transits to sixth morontia stage.
April	29	Saturday	Jesus' fifteenth appearance. At 3 p.m., Jesus appears to more than 500 believers in Bethsaida after Peter preaches a sermon.
April	30	Sunday	Apostles go to Jerusalem (on instruction of Jesus).

JESUS' SIXTH MANSION WORLD ADVANCEMENT

Mansion World No. 7 (UB 47:9) is where you will be purged of all vestiges of the beast. You will begin a new and more spiritual worship of the unseen Father and when you complete your training, you will be a full-fledged morontia being!

THE SEVENTH MANSION WORLD EXPERIENCE (4 APPEARANCES):

THE SEVENTH MANSION WORLD



While sojourning on MANSONIA NUMBER SEVEN, permission is granted to visit TRANSITION WORLD NUMBER SEVEN, THE WORLD OF THE UNIVERSAL FATHER. Here you begin A NEW AND MORE SPIRITUAL WORSHIP OF THE UNSEEN FATHER, a habit you will increasingly pursue all the way up through your long ascending career. You find the Father's temple on this world of transitional culture, but you do not see the Father.
[UB 47:9.2]

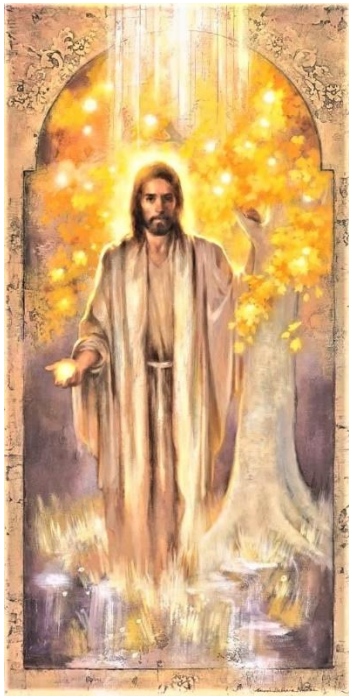
Mansion world seven is where you experience your crowning achievement of the immediate postmortal career. Here you will receive the instruction of many teachers, all of whom will cooperate to preparing you for residence on Jerusem. Discernible differences between those who hail from the isolated and handicapped worlds and those ascenders from the more advanced and enlightened spheres are virtually obliterated during the sojourn on the seventh mansion world. You will be purged of all remnants of unfortunate heredity, unwholesome environment, and unspiritual planetary tendencies. "The last remnants of the 'mark of the beast' are here eradicated." [UB 47:9.1]

These seven dematerializing worlds are really demortalizing spheres. You are mostly human on the first mansion world, but you really do pass from the mortal state to the immortal status at the time of Adjuster fusion. By the time you have finished the Jerusem career, you will be full-fledged morontians.

JESUS' SIXTEENTH MORONTIA APPEARANCE – May 5 Friday 9:00 PM

- **COURTYARD OF NICODEMUS**
- **APPEARED TO THE ELEVEN APOSTLES, THE WOMEN'S CORPS AND THEIR ASSOCIATES, AND ABOUT FIFTY OTHER LEADING DISCIPLES OF THE MASTER, INCLUDING A NUMBER OF THE GREEKS**
- **SEVENTH STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION**

The sixteenth morontia manifestation of Jesus occurred on Friday, May 5, in the courtyard of Nicodemus, about nine o'clock at night. The Jerusalem believers had made their first attempt to get together since the resurrection. Present at this time were the eleven apostles, the women's corps and their associates, and about fifty other leading disciples of the Master, including a number of the Greeks. Suddenly, the morontia Master appeared in full view. Said Jesus:



"PEACE BE UPON YOU. This is the most representative GROUP OF BELIEVERS -- APOSTLES AND DISCIPLES, BOTH MEN AND WOMEN -- to which I have appeared since the time of my deliverance from the flesh. I now call you to witness that I told you beforehand that MY SOJOURN AMONG YOU MUST COME TO AN END; I told you that PRESENTLY I MUST RETURN TO THE FATHER. And then I plainly told you how the chief priests and the rulers of the Jews would deliver me up to be put to death, and that I would rise from the grave. Why, then, did you allow yourselves to become so disconcerted by all this when it came to pass? and WHY WERE YOU SO SURPRISED WHEN I ROSE FROM THE TOMB ON THE THIRD DAY? You failed to believe me because YOU HEARD MY WORDS WITHOUT COMPREHENDING THE MEANING THEREOF.

[UB 193:0.2]

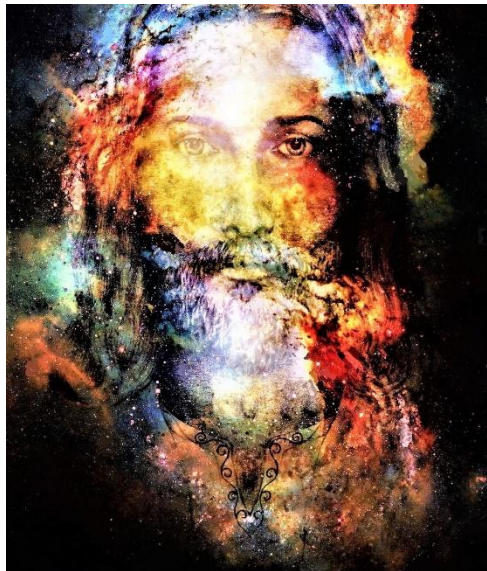
And now you should give ear to my words lest you again make the mistake of hearing my teaching with the mind while in your hearts you fail to comprehend the meaning. From the beginning of my sojourn as one of you, I taught you that
MY ONE PURPOSE WAS TO REVEAL MY FATHER IN HEAVEN TO HIS CHILDREN ON EARTH. I HAVE LIVED THE GOD-REVEALING BESTOWAL THAT YOU MIGHT EXPERIENCE THE GOD-KNOWING CAREER. *I have revealed God as your Father in heaven; I have revealed you as the sons of God on earth. It is a fact that God loves you, his sons. By faith in my word this fact becomes an eternal and living truth in your hearts.* **WHEN, BY LIVING FAITH, YOU BECOME DIVINELY GOD-CONSCIOUS, YOU ARE THEN BORN OF THE SPIRIT AS CHILDREN OF LIGHT AND LIFE, EVEN THE ETERNAL LIFE WHEREWITH YOU SHALL ASCEND THE UNIVERSE OF UNIVERSES AND ATTAIN THE EXPERIENCE OF FINDING GOD THE FATHER ON PARADISE.**

I admonish you ever to remember that **YOUR MISSION AMONG MEN IS TO PROCLAIM THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM -- THE REALITY OF THE FATHERHOOD OF GOD AND THE TRUTH OF THE SONSHIP OF MAN. PROCLAIM THE WHOLE TRUTH OF THE GOOD NEWS, not just a part of the saving gospel. Your message is not changed by my resurrection experience.**
SONSHIP WITH GOD, BY FAITH, IS STILL THE SAVING TRUTH OF THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM. You are to GO FORTH PREACHING THE LOVE OF GOD AND THE SERVICE OF MAN. *That which the world needs most to know is: Men are the sons of God, and through faith they can actually realize, and daily experience, this ennobling truth. MY BESTOWAL SHOULD HELP ALL MEN TO KNOW THAT THEY ARE THE CHILDREN OF GOD, but such knowledge will not suffice if they fail personally to faith-grasp the saving truth that they are the living spirit sons of the eternal Father.* **THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM IS**

CONCERNED WITH THE LOVE OF THE FATHER AND THE SERVICE OF HIS CHILDREN ON EARTH.

*Among yourselves, here, you share the knowledge that I have risen from the dead, but that is not strange. **I HAVE THE POWER TO LAY DOWN MY LIFE AND TO TAKE IT UP AGAIN**; the Father gives such power to his Paradise Sons. You should the rather be stirred in your hearts by the knowledge that the dead of an age entered upon the eternal ascent soon after I left Joseph's new tomb. I LIVED MY LIFE IN THE FLESH TO SHOW HOW YOU CAN, **THROUGH LOVING SERVICE, BECOME GOD-REVEALING TO YOUR FELLOW MEN EVEN** AS, BY LOVING YOU AND SERVING YOU, I HAVE BECOME GOD-REVEALING TO YOU. I HAVE LIVED AMONG YOU AS THE SON OF MAN THAT YOU, AND ALL OTHER MEN, MIGHT KNOW THAT YOU ARE ALL INDEED THE SONS OF GOD. [UB 193:0.3-5]*

After the Master had spoken to them, he vanished from their sight.



***Therefore, GO YOU NOW INTO ALL THE WORLD PREACHING THIS GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN TO ALL MEN. LOVE ALL MEN AS I HAVE LOVED YOU; SERVE YOUR FELLOW MORTALS AS I HAVE SERVED YOU** *Freely you have received, freely give. Only tarry here in Jerusalem while I go to the Father, and until I SEND YOU THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH. HE SHALL LEAD YOU INTO THE ENLARGED TRUTH, AND I WILL GO WITH YOU INTO ALL THE WORLD. I am with you always, and my peace I leave with you.* [UB 193:0.5]*

JESUS' SEVENTEENTH MORONTIA APPEARANCE – MAY 13 SATURDAY 4:00 PM

- **JACOB'S WELL AT SYCHAR**
- **APPEARED TO NALDA AND THE SEVENTY-FIVE SAMARITANS**

• **SEVENTH STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION**

At four o'clock on Sabbath afternoon, May 13, the Master appeared to Nalda and about seventy-five Samaritan believers near Jacob's well, at Sychar. The believers had been meeting at this place, near where Jesus had spoken to Nalda concerning the water of life. Just as they had finished their discussions of the reported resurrection, Jesus suddenly appeared before them, saying:

“PEACE BE UPON YOU. You rejoice to know that I AM THE RESURRECTION AND THE LIFE, but this will avail you nothing unless you are first born of the eternal spirit, thereby coming to possess, by faith, the gift of eternal life. IF YOU ARE THE FAITH SONS OF MY FATHER, YOU SHALL NEVER DIE; YOU SHALL NOT PERISH. The gospel of the kingdom has taught you that ALL MEN ARE THE SONS OF GOD. And this good news concerning the love of the heavenly Father for his children on earth must be carried to all the world. The time has come when YOU WORSHIP GOD NEITHER ON GERIZIM NOR AT JERUSALEM, BUT WHERE YOU ARE, AS YOU ARE, IN SPIRIT AND IN TRUTH. IT IS YOUR FAITH THAT SAVES YOUR SOULS. SALVATION IS THE GIFT OF GOD TO ALL WHO BELIEVE THEY ARE HIS SONS. But be not deceived; while salvation is the free gift of God and is bestowed upon all who accept it by faith, there follows the experience of bearing the fruits of this spirit life as it is lived in the flesh. THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE DOCTRINE OF THE FATHERHOOD OF GOD IMPLIES THAT YOU ALSO FREELY ACCEPT THE ASSOCIATED TRUTH OF THE BROTHERHOOD OF MAN.” [UB 193:1.2]



THE ACCEPTANCE OF THE DOCTRINE OF THE FATHERHOOD OF GOD IMPLIES THAT YOU ALSO FREELY ACCEPT THE ASSOCIATED TRUTH OF THE BROTHERHOOD OF MAN. And if man is your brother, he is even more than your neighbor, whom the Father requires you to love as yourself. Your brother, being of your own family, you will not only love with a family affection, but you will also serve as you would serve yourself. And you will thus love and serve your brother because you, being my brethren, have been thus loved and served by me. GO, THEN, INTO ALL THE WORLD TELLING THIS GOOD NEWS TO ALL CREATURES OF EVERY RACE, TRIBE, AND NATION. MY SPIRIT SHALL GO BEFORE YOU, AND I WILL BE WITH YOU ALWAYS.” [UB 193:1.2]

After this appearance of the Master, these Samaritans hurried off to the near-by towns and villages publishing abroad the news that they had seen Jesus, and that he had talked to them.

JESUS EIGHTEENTH MORONTIA APPEARANCE – MAY 16 TUESDAY 9:00 PM

- **TYRE**
- **APPEARED TO THE TYRIAN BELIEVERS**
- **SEVENTH STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION**

The Master's eighteenth morontia appearance was at Tyre at the close of a meeting of Tyrian believers as they were about to disperse, saying:

“PEACE BE UPON YOU. You rejoice to KNOW THAT THE SON OF MAN HAS RISEN FROM THE DEAD because you THEREBY KNOW THAT YOU AND YOUR BRETHREN SHALL ALSO SURVIVE MORTAL DEATH. But such survival is dependent on your having been previously born of the spirit of truth-seeking and God-finding. THE BREAD OF LIFE AND THE WATER THEREOF ARE GIVEN ONLY TO THOSE WHO HUNGER FOR TRUTH AND THIRST FOR RIGHTEOUSNESS — for God. THE FACT THAT THE DEAD RISE IS NOT THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM. These great truths and these universe facts are all related to this gospel in that they are a part of the result of believing the good news and are embraced in the subsequent experience of those who, by faith, become, in deed and in truth, the everlasting sons of the eternal God. MY FATHER SENT ME INTO THE WORLD TO PROCLAIM THIS SALVATION OF SONSHIP TO ALL MEN. And SO SEND I YOU ABROAD TO PREACH THIS SALVATION OF SONSHIP. Salvation is the free gift of God, but THOSE WHO ARE BORN OF THE SPIRIT WILL IMMEDIATELY BEGIN TO SHOW FORTH THE FRUITS OF THE SPIRIT IN LOVING SERVICE TO THEIR FELLOW CREATURES. And THE FRUITS OF THE DIVINE SPIRIT WHICH ARE YIELDED IN THE LIVES OF SPIRIT-BORN AND GOD-KNOWING MORTALS ARE: LOVING SERVICE, UNSELFISH DEVOTION, COURAGEOUS LOYALTY, SINCERE FAIRNESS, ENLIGHTENED HONESTY, UNDYING HOPE, CONFIDING TRUST, MERCIFUL MINISTRY, UNFAILING GOODNESS, FORGIVING TOLERANCE, AND ENDURING PEACE. If professed believers bear not these fruits of the divine spirit in their lives, they are dead; the Spirit of Truth is not in them; they are useless branches on the living vine, and they soon will be taken away. My Father requires of the children of faith that they bear much spirit fruit. If, therefore, you are not fruitful, he will dig about your roots and cut away your unfruitful branches. Increasingly, must you yield the fruits of the spirit as you progress heavenward in the kingdom of God. You may enter the kingdom as a child, but the Father requires that you grow up, by grace, to the full stature of spiritual adulthood. And when you go abroad to tell all nations the good news of this gospel, I will go before you, and my Spirit of Truth shall abide in your hearts. My peace I leave with you.” [UB 193:2.2]

The Master then disappeared from their sight. The next day, believers from Tyre carried this story to Sidon and even to Antioch and Damascus. They were quick to recognize him as he began to teach them. Many could not readily recognize his morontia form when made visible, but they were never slow to identify his personality when he spoke to them.

JESUS' NINETEENTH MORONTIA APPEARANCE – MAY 18 THURSDAY 7:30 AM

- **MARY MARK'S HOME**
- **APPEARED TO THE ELEVEN APOSTLES**
- **SEVENTH STAGE OF MORONTIA PROGRESSION**



The Fruits of the Divine Spirit: **[UB 193:2:2 (2054:3)]**

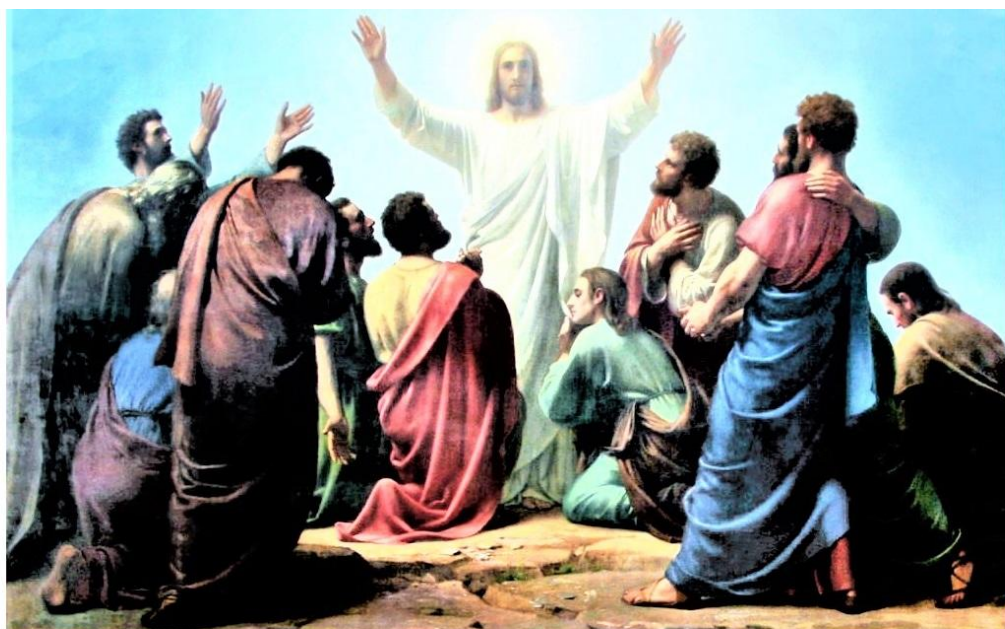
1. Loving Service
2. Unselfish Devotion
3. Courageous Loyalty
4. Sincere Fairness
5. Enlightened Honesty
6. Undying Hope
7. Confiding Trust
8. Merciful Ministry
9. Unfailing Goodness
10. Forgiving Tolerance
11. Enduring Peace

Jesus made his last appearance on earth as a morontia personality this Thursday morning, May 18 as the eleven apostles were about to sit down to breakfast in the upper chamber of Mary Mark's home. Jesus said:

"PEACE BE UPON YOU. *I have asked you to TARRY HERE IN JERUSALEM until I ascend to the Father, EVEN UNTIL I SEND YOU THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH, who shall soon be poured out upon all flesh, and WHO SHALL ENDOW YOU WITH POWER FROM ON HIGH."* Simon Zelotes interrupted Jesus, asking, *"Then, Master, will you restore the kingdom, and will we see the glory of God manifested on earth?"* When Jesus had listened to Simon's question, he answered: **"SIMON, YOU STILL CLING TO YOUR OLD IDEAS ABOUT THE JEWISH MESSIAH AND THE MATERIAL KINGDOM. But YOU WILL RECEIVE SPIRITUAL POWER AFTER THE SPIRIT HAS DESCENDED UPON YOU, and YOU WILL PRESENTLY GO INTO ALL THE WORLD PREACHING THIS GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM. As the Father sent me into the world, so do I send you. AND I WISH THAT YOU WOULD LOVE AND TRUST ONE ANOTHER.** *Judas is no more with you because his love grew cold, and because he refused to trust you, his loyal brethren. Have you not read in the Scripture where it is written: 'It is not good for man to be alone. No man lives to himself'? And also where it says: 'He who would have friends must show himself friendly'? And DID I NOT EVEN SEND YOU OUT TO TEACH, TWO AND TWO, THAT YOU MIGHT NOT BECOME LONELY and fall into the mischief and miseries of isolation? You also well know that, WHEN I WAS IN THE FLESH, I DID NOT PERMIT MYSELF TO BE ALONE*

FOR LONG PERIODS. From the very beginning of our associations I ALWAYS HAD TWO OR THREE OF YOU CONSTANTLY BY MY SIDE OR ELSE VERY NEAR AT HAND EVEN WHEN I COMMUNED WITH THE FATHER. TRUST, THEREFORE, AND CONFIDE IN ONE ANOTHER. And this is all the more needful since I am this day going to leave you alone in the world. THE HOUR HAS COME; I AM ABOUT TO GO TO THE FATHER." [UB 193:3.2]

When Jesus had thus spoken, he beckoned for them to come with him, and he led them out on the Mount of Olives. He bade them farewell preparatory to departing from Urantia. This was a solemn journey to Olivet. "Not a word was spoken by any of them from the time they left the upper chamber until Jesus paused with them on the Mount of Olives." [UB 193:3.3] It was almost half past seven o'clock when Jesus arrived on the western slope of Mount Olivet with his eleven silent and somewhat bewildered apostles. They could look out over Jerusalem and down upon Gethsemane. "Jesus now prepared to say his last farewell to the apostles before he took leave of Urantia. As he stood there before them, without being directed they knelt about him in a circle" and the Master said:



*The Master went to Edentia by way of Jerusem, where the Most Highs, under the observation of the Paradise Son, released Jesus of Nazareth from the morontia state and, **THROUGH THE SPIRIT CHANNELS OF ASCENSION, RETURNED HIM TO THE STATUS OF PARADISE SONSHIP AND SUPREME SOVEREIGNTY ON SALVINGTON.***

*It was about seven forty-five this morning when the morontia Jesus disappeared from the observation of his eleven apostles to begin **THE ASCENT TO THE RIGHT HAND OF HIS FATHER, THERE TO RECEIVE FORMAL CONFIRMATION OF HIS COMPLETED SOVEREIGNTY OF THE UNIVERSE OF NEBADON.** [UB 193:5.4,5]*

"I bade you tarry in Jerusalem until you were endowed with power from on high. I AM NOW ABOUT TO TAKE LEAVE OF YOU; I AM ABOUT TO ASCEND TO MY FATHER, AND SOON, VERY SOON, WILL WE SEND INTO THIS WORLD OF MY SOJOURN THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH; AND WHEN HE HAS COME, YOU SHALL BEGIN THE NEW PROCLAMATION OF THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM, FIRST IN JERUSALEM AND THEN TO THE UTMOST PARTS OF THE WORLD. LOVE MEN WITH THE LOVE WHEREWITH I HAVE LOVED YOU AND SERVE YOUR FELLOW MORTALS EVEN AS I HAVE SERVED YOU. BY THE SPIRIT FRUITS OF YOUR LIVES IMPEL SOULS TO BELIEVE THE TRUTH THAT MAN IS A SON OF GOD, AND THAT ALL MEN ARE BRETHREN. Remember all I have taught you and the life I have lived among you. My love overshadows you, my spirit will dwell with you, and MY PEACE SHALL ABIDE UPON YOU. FAREWELL." [UB 193:5.2]

When Jesus had thus spoken, he vanished from their sight. The ascension of Jesus was in no way different from his other disappearances from mortal vision during the forty days of his morontia career on Urantia.

7th Morontia Phase, Appearances 16-19 [May 5th-18, Friday-Thursday]

May	2	Tuesday	Jesus transits to the seventh morontia stage.
May	3	Wednesday	Apostles arrive in Jerusalem. Elijah Mark had died of a stroke. Mary Mark welcomes them to stay.
May	5	Friday	Jesus' sixteenth appearance, to the apostles at the home of Nicodemus, the women's corps, and about fifty disciples.
May	7	Sunday	Jesus becomes a Jerusem citizen.
May	13	Saturday	4 p.m.—Jesus' seventeenth appearance, to Nalda and seventy-five Samaritans at Jacob's well in Sychar.
May	14	Sunday	Jesus enters the embrace of the Most Highs of Edentia. Recall that Michael had experienced a previous morontia bestowal (his sixth) on the constellation headquarters of Endantum [119:6 (1315.4)].
May	16	Tuesday	9 p.m.—Jesus' eighteenth appearance, at Tyre to a meeting of believers. Jesus and apostles had taught here for two weeks in July AD 29.
May	18	Thursday	Morning —Jesus' last appearance (nineteenth) as a morontia personality. This was also the day of the festival of Pentecost. He met with the apostles on Thursday morning, 7:30 a.m. on Mount Olivet, and left them at 7:45. Total of forty days since the crucifixion. Jesus ascends to Jerusem and then Edentia, where the Most Highs, under the observation of the Eternal Son, release him from the morontia state and return him to the status of Paradise sonship and supreme sovereignty on Salvington. From the Universal Father, he receives formal confirmation of his completed sovereignty of the universe of Nebadon.
May	18	Thursday	10:30 a.m.—Peter calls a meeting of 120 disciples, as well as Jesus' mother and brother James. Matthias replaces Judas as apostle and treasurer.

JESUS' SEVENTH MANSION WORLD ADVANCEMENT

Jesus' Resurrection Appearances

The majority of Jesus' post-resurrection appearances begin with "Peace be upon you" (mostly, he uses the phrase to begin his message to groups, not individuals). After the resurrection, Jesus appeared to over 1,000 people. These resurrection appearances contain some of Jesus most inspiring and hopeful messages:

- **Go to All the World Proclaiming This Gospel**
- **You Will All Be Brethren**
- **All Nations Shall Call Him Blessed**
- **I Forgave You Even Before You Asked**
- **Have Faith in One Another**
- **Love All men As I Have Loved You**
- **Let Faith Reveal Your Light to the World**
- **I Am with You Always**
- **Peace Be Upon You**
- **Do You Love Me?**
- **Give Ear to My Words**
- **It Is Your Faith That Saves Your Souls**
- **My Peace I Leave with You**
- **Love and Trust One Another**
- **My Love Overshadows You**

If we go through his post-resurrection appearances and extract the action verbs from his comments, we end up with this list:

- **Proclaim**
- **Confirm**
- **Minister**
- **Strengthen**
- **Go**
- **Pray**
- **Love**
- **Serve**
- **Be wise**
- **Give**
- **Publish the good news**
- **Trust your brethren**
- **Bravely go forth**
- **Joyously go forth**
- **Meet new experiences**
- **Reveal**
- **Open eyes blinded by tradition**
- **Draw close**
- **Lead**

- Feed my lambs
- Minister to the sick
- Forgive
- Follow me
- Serve me
- Preach the love of God and the service of man
- Carry this good news to all the world

APPEARED THROUGH CLOSED DOORS, IN TABLE

UB 190:4.1 About half past four o'clock, at the home of one Flavius, the Master made his sixth morontia appearance to some forty Greek believers there assembled. While they were engaged in discussing the reports of the Master's resurrection, **HE MANIFESTED HIMSELF IN THEIR MIDST**, notwithstanding that **THE DOORS WERE SECURELY FASTENED**.

UB 191:2.1 Shortly after nine o'clock that evening, after the departure of Cleopas and Jacob, while the Alpheus twins comforted Peter, and while Nathaniel remonstrated with Andrew, and as the ten apostles were there assembled **IN THE UPPER CHAMBER WITH ALL THE DOORS BOLTED FOR FEAR OF ARREST, THE MASTER, IN MORONTIA FORM, SUDDENLY APPEARED IN THE MIDST OF THEM**, saying: "Peace be upon you. Why are you so frightened when I appear, as though you had seen a spirit? Did I not tell you about these things when I was present with you in the flesh?"

UB 191:5.2 They were having their evening meal a little after six o'clock, with Peter sitting on one side of Thomas and Nathaniel on the other, when the doubting apostle said: "I will not believe unless I see the Master with my own eyes and put my finger in the mark of the nails." As they thus sat at supper, and while the doors were securely shut and barred, **THE MORONTIA MASTER SUDDENLY APPEARED INSIDE THE CURVATURE OF THE TABLE** and, standing directly in front of Thomas.

CLEOPAS DID NOT RECOGNIZE JESUS AND WAS UNAWARE THAT HE WAS NOT A MORTAL

UB 190:5.2 CLEOPAS HAD OFTEN HEARD JESUS TEACH and had eaten with him at the homes of Jerusalem believers on several occasions. **BUT HE DID NOT RECOGNIZE THE MASTER** even when he spoke freely with them.

DIFFICULTY RECOGNIZING JESUS' FORM, BUT NOT HIS VOICE OR PERSONALITY

UB 190:2.3 In the meantime, as they looked for James and before they found him, while he stood there in the garden near the tomb, he became **AWARE OF A NEAR-BY PRESENCE**, as if someone had **TOUCHED HIM ON THE SHOULDER**; and when he turned to look, he **BEHELD THE GRADUAL APPEARANCE OF A STRANGE FORM** by his side. He was too much amazed to speak and too frightened to flee. And then the strange form spoke, saying: "James, I come to call you to the service of the kingdom. Join earnest hands with your brethren and follow after me." When James heard his name spoken, he knew that it was **HIS ELDEST BROTHER, JESUS**, who had addressed him. **THEY ALL HAD MORE OR LESS DIFFICULTY**

IN RECOGNIZING THE MORONTIA FORM OF THE MASTER, but FEW OF THEM HAD ANY TROUBLE RECOGNIZING HIS VOICE OR OTHERWISE IDENTIFYING HIS CHARMING PERSONALITY when he once began to communicate with them.

UB 193:2.3 And then the Master disappeared from their sight. The next day there went out from Tyre those who carried this story to Sidon and even to Antioch and Damascus. Jesus had been with these believers when he was in the flesh, and **THEY WERE QUICK TO RECOGNIZE HIM WHEN HE BEGAN TO TEACH THEM.** While his friends **COULD NOT READILY RECOGNIZE HIS MORONTIA FORM WHEN MADE VISIBLE,** they were never slow to **IDENTIFY HIS PERSONALITY WHEN HE SPOKE TO THEM.**

ADDENDUM:

Jesus' Post-Resurrection Appearances in the Bible

The Resurrection Appearances in Order

Order	Appearance	Location	Did Jesus Speak?	Date and Time	References
1.	Mary Magdalene crying by the tomb	Jerusalem	Yes	Early morning on Sunday	Mk 16:9-11; Jn 20:11-18
2.	The other women returning from the tomb	Jerusalem	Yes	Early morning on Sunday	Mt 28:8-10
3.	Cleopas and another disciple on the road to Emmaus	Near Emmaus	Yes	Afternoon on Sunday	Mk 16:12-13; Lk 24:13-32
4.	Peter in Jerusalem	Jerusalem	N/A	Late afternoon on Sunday	Lk 24:33-35; 1 Cor 15:5a
5.	To the "11" disciples and others in Jerusalem	Jerusalem	Yes	Evening on Sunday	Lk 24:36-49
6.	To 10 disciples without Thomas	Jerusalem	Yes	Evening on Sunday	Jn 20:19-25
7.	To the 11 disciples with Thomas	Jerusalem	Yes	Monday (8 days later)	Mk 16:14; Jn 20:26-29
8.	To 7 disciples by the Lake of Galilee	Galilee	Yes	A few weeks later?	Jn 21:1-25
9.	To 11 disciples on a Mountain (Great Commission)	Galilee	Yes	Near the end of the 40 days	Mt 28:16-20; Mk 16:15-18; 1 Cor 15:5b
10.	To 500 people at once	Galilee?	N/A	Near the end of the 40 days	1 Cor 15:6
11.	To James	Jerusalem?	N/A	Near the end of the 40 days	1 Cor 15:7a
12.	To the 11 disciples at Jesus' Ascension	Bethany	Yes	40 th Day	Mk 16:19; Lk 24:50-52; Acts 1:4-11; 1 Cor 15:7b
13.	To Paul on the road to Damascus	Near Damascus	Yes	About two years later	Acts 9:3-5; 22:7-8; 26:14-16; 1 Cor 15:8

Jesus was alive on this earth for thirty-eight days after His resurrection. During that time, I'm sure hundreds of people saw Him. Here are thirteen of his appearances that are recorded for us in the Bible in chronological order.

1. He appeared to Mary Magdalene as a gardener (Mark 16:9-11; John 20:11-18). How fitting that this woman was chosen as the first to see Jesus, for she was one of the most grateful to him for what he had done for her. He delivered seven demons out of her, and from that time on she became one of those who stayed close to Him and ministered to him of her substance (Luke 8:2). The third day after Jesus' death, early Sunday morning she and two other women came to the tomb where He was lying to put spices on His body. But they found that the tomb was empty! So, Mary and the other women ran to tell the disciples.

When Peter and John heard the news, they ran to the tomb to see for themselves. Sure enough, the body of Jesus was gone! They were confused and wondered what happened to it; they went home.

Meanwhile, Mary stood outside the tomb and was crying. And two white robed men asked her what was wrong. "Someone has taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where he is." Just then she glanced over her shoulder and saw someone she thought was a gardener. "Why are you crying?" He asked her. "Who are you looking for?" "Sir," Mary said, "Do you know where Jesus is? Have you taken him away?" "Mary!" Jesus said. Mary then recognized Him, and she ran and told the other disciples the good news that he was alive!

2. He appeared to the other two women who were with Mary Magdalene - Salome and Mary the mother of James (Matthew 28:9-10). At first, all three women were together, but apparently Mary Magdalene broke off from the other two. As these two women were going to tell the disciples that the body of Jesus was missing, Jesus suddenly appeared to them and greeted them. Unlike Mary Magdalene, they knew him right away - I suppose by his usual greeting. They ran to him, held his feet and worshiped him!
3. He appeared to Peter (Luke 24:34). We don't know the details of this appearance, only that when the two on the road to Emmaus came back to Jerusalem, the disciples gave them the news that Jesus appeared to Peter. Peter is the third on the list to see him.
4. He appeared to two men on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24:13-32). Since Jesus resurrection at sunrise, about four or five hours had passed by when he appeared to two men traveling eastward to the village of Emmaus. We are not told how he appeared to them, but I suppose he just suddenly appeared out of thin air. The scripture doesn't say that the men were startled, so I suppose they thought he just sort of snuck up on them as they were talking. Anyway, Jesus joined into their conversation, but the men didn't recognize Him. They were talking about how sad and disappointed they were in Jesus' death and how they thought for sure he was their Messiah.

Still being unrecognized, Jesus reminded them from the scriptures about how Jesus would have to suffer before entering into His time of glory. And he explained to them from Moses and the prophets about who Jesus was. When they sat down to eat, as soon as Jesus took a loaf of bread and asked God's blessing on it, suddenly they recognized him! And at that moment, he disappeared! Within the hour they returned to Jerusalem and were happily greeted with the report that Jesus had risen and appeared to Peter. But they had similar news to tell of their own.

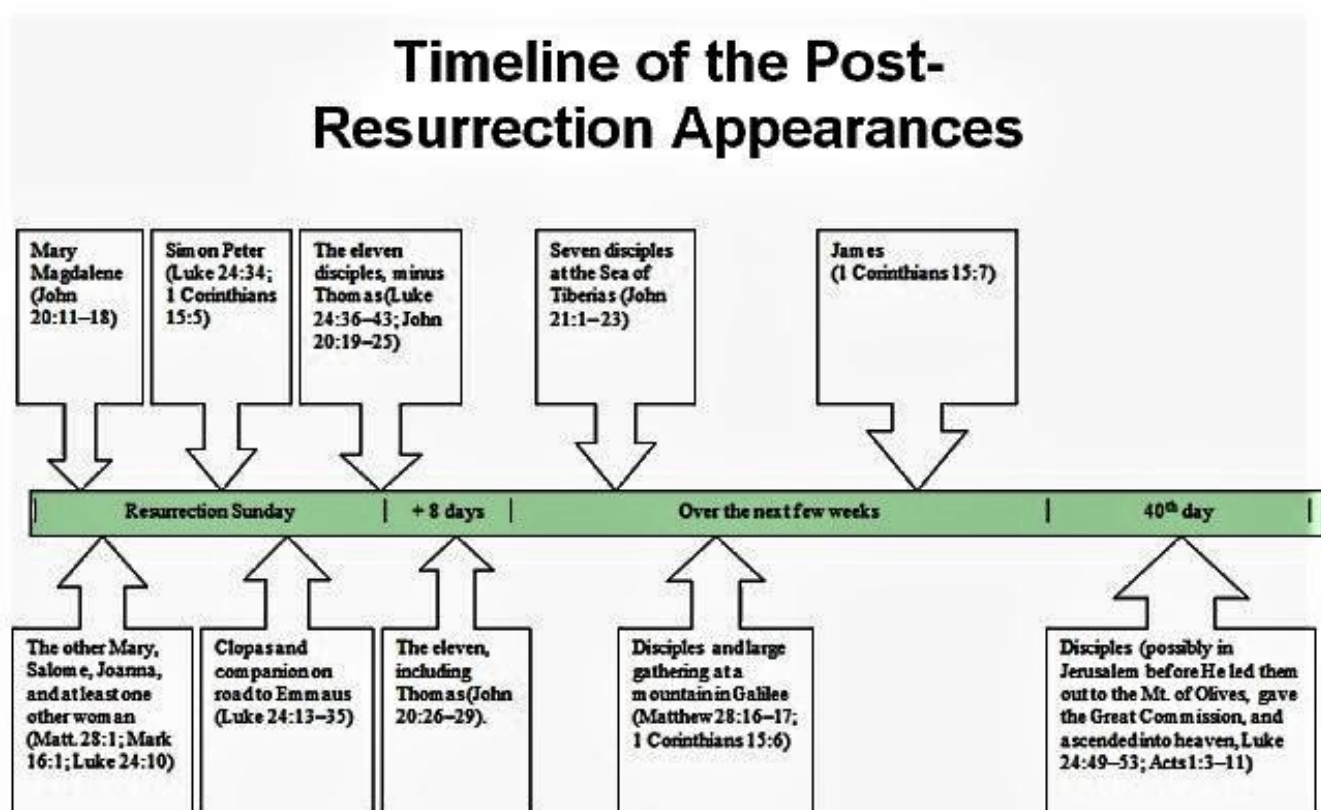
5. He appeared to the apostles, except for Thomas (Luke 24:36-43; John 20:19-25). When the two men from Emmaus arrived in Jerusalem where the apostles were staying, it was Sunday evening. They probably immediately began to tell their story. But just as they were getting into it, Jesus appeared and said to them, "Peace be with you." As you can imagine, they were terrified and thought he was a ghost. But Jesus tried to convince them that he was not. He said to them, "Look at my hands and feet and side and touch me." And he asked them to give him something to eat, and he ate a piece of fish in front of them.

6. He appeared to the apostles with Thomas (John 20:26-29). Thomas was not with the disciples when Jesus appeared to them on Sunday evening, and when he heard that Jesus had appeared to them, he didn't believe it. He told them that he wouldn't believe it unless he saw the nail wounds in His hands and wound in His side. Well, eight days later, on a Monday, Jesus appeared to them again, this time with Thomas present. Jesus again greeted them with, "Peace be with you." And He gave Thomas a great opportunity to believe. He said to him, "Put your fingers here on the wounds in my hands and touch the wound here in my side." Then Thomas believed and said, "My Lord and my God!"
7. He appeared to seven of his disciples on the shores of the Sea of Galilee (John 21:1-25). Sometime after Jesus appeared to his apostles in Jerusalem, a few days later Jesus appeared to seven of his apostles beside the Sea of Galilee - Peter, Thomas, Nathaniel, the two sons of Zebedee, and two others. As it happened, they were fishing in a boat not far from shore, and they fished all night without a catch. The next morning Jesus appeared on the shore. They saw him, but they didn't recognize that it was him.

He said to them, "Have you caught any fish?" They said no. Then Jesus said, "Throw your nets on the other side of the boat and you will catch plenty. They indeed caught fish - 153 of them! Peter was the first to recognize Jesus, and he was so excited to see him that he jumped out of the boat and swam to shore to meet Him. There on the shore, they all had fish for breakfast. And Jesus was the cook!
8. He appeared to the apostles on a mountain in Galilee (Matthew 28:16-20; Mark 16:15-18). This appearance was not unexpected like the others. It was a pre-arranged meeting, and a very important one. I think it was the meeting that was spoken about by the angels and by Jesus on the very first day of His resurrection (Matt. 28:10); He also told them about this meeting at the last supper (Matt. 26:32). We call the contents of this meeting the "**GREAT COMMISSION**". There on the mountain, overlooking miles of country, Jesus commissioned them to go out into all nations and make disciples.
9. He appeared to over 500 brethren (1 Corinthians 15:6). Paul tells us that Jesus was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve, then by over 500 brethren at once. Thus, it seems logical that this group would have seen him sometime after the meeting on the mountain with the eleven.
10. He appeared to his brother James (1 Corinthians 15:7). We don't know where this appearance was, but if James still lived in Nazareth, perhaps it was there. I wonder if Jesus popped in to visit his entire family!
11. He appeared to the apostles and ate a meal with them (Acts 1:3-8; Luke 24:44-49). Acts 1:3 tells us that during the forty days after his crucifixion, Jesus appeared to the apostles from time to time to prove to them in many ways that he was alive. On this particular day - I think it was the very day of His ascension - he was eating a meal with them in Jerusalem. And he opened their minds to understand the scriptures about him. He told them that after

he left he would send to them his “poured out” Spirit and that they should stay in Jerusalem and wait until he came to them and filled them

12. His ascension (Acts 1:9-12; Mark 16:19-20; Luke 24:50-53). After the meal he had with his apostles in Jerusalem, he led them to the place where he would ascend - which was in Bethany, on the Mount of Olives. As far as I can tell from looking at a map, it was about a two-mile walk. I wonder what they discussed as they were walking, I wonder if they were aware of what was actually going to happen! When they arrived at the place, it seems from the text that very little was said, except a final blessing. He lifted his hands and blessed them. And while he did this, he was taken up to heaven.
13. He appeared to Paul (1 Corinthians 15:8; Acts 9:1-6; 18:9-10; 23:11). As far as I can understand from the text, Jesus appeared to Paul three different times: 1) On the road to Damascus he saw his presence as a very bright light that temporarily blinded him, and he heard his voice; 2) he saw him in a vision; and 3) the night before he was taken to Rome, Jesus stood by him and encouraged him.



Chronology of the Death, Resurrection, and Ascension of Jesus

The Resurrection and the Life

"... if I lay down my life, I will take it up again."

In the year AD 30 (Urantia Book Papers 178-194)

April	6	Thursday	Last ... day at the Gethsemane camp before going to the home of John Mark for the Last Supper. " I am the bread of life ." Here, Jesus gives his Farewell Discourse and Final Admonitions before returning to Gethsemane for the night. Jesus is betrayed and arrested just before midnight.
April	7	Friday	Early morning—Apostles in hiding, except for John Zebedee who follows Jesus. Jesus' family arrives and they go to stay at Lazarus' home in Bethany. Jesus is brought before Annas, then Caiaphus, then Pilate, and finally Herod. Sent back to Pilate, Jesus is eventually sentenced to death for "perverting the people."
April	7	Friday	Jesus crucified about 9 a.m. Died about 3 p.m. Put in tomb about 4:30 p.m.
April	8	Saturday	Apostles remain in hiding. Beginning of Passover—almost 1.5 million Jews in Jerusalem. The Supreme Council of Salvington meets on Urantia with Gabriel presiding.
April	9	Sunday	2:45 a.m.—The Paradise incarnation commission consisting of seven unidentified Paradise personalities, arrives on the scene. 3 a.m.—Midwayers move the tombstone and the guards flee. Resurrected Jesus comes forth from the tomb in morontia form. He instructs Gabriel and speaks to the assembled morontia groups hailing from the seven mansion worlds. Meanwhile, the apostles are asleep at the home of Elijah Mark. About fifteen disciples stay at the home of Nicodemus, and about twenty of the women's corps
April	9	Sunday	About 3:30 a.m.—Mary Magdalene and others find the tomb empty. Mary is the first to encounter the morontia Jesus. The apostles do not believe her story but David Zebedee does. Jesus appears to Mary a second time.
April	9	Sunday	About 4 a.m.—Gabriel summons the archangels to inaugurate the resurrection of the termination of the Adamic dispensation on Urantia. The archangel circuit operates from Urantia for the first time.
April	9	Sunday	10 a.m.—David ignores the doubting apostles and sends out his messengers to proclaim the resurrection of Jesus.
April	9	Sunday	Noon—Jesus' third appearance, to his brother James in Bethany.
April	9	Sunday	2 p.m.—Jesus' fourth appearance, to his family and friends at the home of Martha and Mary in Bethany.
April	9	Sunday	4:15 p.m.—Jesus' fifth appearance, to twenty-five women believers at the home of Joseph of Arimathea.
April	9	Sunday	4:30 p.m.—Jesus' sixth appearance, to about forty Greek believers at the home of Flavius.
April	9	Sunday	5 p.m.—Jesus' seventh appearance, to Cleopas and his brother Jacob. They rush back to Jerusalem to spread the word.
April	9	Sunday	8 p.m.—The Sanhedrin call a hasty conference after hearing rumors of appearances. Decide to throw out of the synagogue anyone who mentions the resurrection.
April	9	Sunday	8:30 p.m.—Jesus' eighth appearance, to Peter in the garden of the Mark home.
April	9	Sunday	9 p.m.—Jesus' ninth appearance. Cleopas and Jacob go to the apostles at Elijah Mark's house to relate their story. After they leave, Jesus appears to all but Thomas, who remains depressed in Bethpage.
April	10	Monday	Jesus spends the day with over one million morontia personalities who were then present on Urantia. He remains with them for forty days, instructing and learning. Jesus' morontia form adjusted to the second stage.

April	11	Tuesday	8 a.m.—Jesus' tenth appearance, at Philadelphia to Abner, Lazarus, and 150 associates, including most of the evangelical corps.
April	12	Wednesday	Jesus spent this day in the society of his morontia associates, receiving visiting morontia delegates from the mansion worlds of every local system of inhabited spheres in the constellation of Norlatiadek (100 systems).
April	14	Friday	Jesus transits to the third morontia stage.
April	15	Saturday	Peter and John go to Bethpage to bring back Thomas.
April	16	Sunday	6 p.m.—Jesus' eleventh appearance, to the apostles at John Mark's, including Thomas.
April	17	Monday	Jesus transits to fourth morontia stage.
April	18	Tuesday	8:30 p.m.—Jesus' twelfth appearance, to Rodan and 80 others in Alexandria. David's messenger (the 5th runner of a relay) had just arrived with the message of Jesus' death (took 11 days).
April	21	Friday	Morning—Jesus' thirteenth appearance, to the apostles in Galilee. Teaches them two and two.
April	22	Saturday	Jesus transits to the fifth morontia stage. He makes his 14th appearance at noon—to the apostles on a hill near Capernaum—the same place as the original ordination of the twelve. A rededication to the former pledges of ambassadorship. Jesus spends the rest of the week with morontia personalities.
April	27	Thursday	Jesus transits to sixth morontia stage.
April	29	Saturday	Jesus' fifteenth appearance. At 3 p.m., Jesus appears to more than 500 believers in Bethsaida after Peter preaches a sermon.
April	30	Sunday	Apostles go to Jerusalem (on instruction of Jesus).
May	2	Tuesday	Jesus transits to the seventh morontia stage.
May	3	Wednesday	Apostles arrive in Jerusalem. Elijah Mark had died of a stroke. Mary Mark welcomes them to stay.
May	5	Friday	Jesus' sixteenth appearance, to the apostles at the home of Nicodemus, the women's corps, and about fifty disciples.
May	7	Sunday	Jesus becomes a Jerusem citizen.
May	13	Saturday	4 p.m.—Jesus' seventeenth appearance, to Nalda and seventy-five Samaritans at Jacob's well in Sychar.
May	14	Sunday	Jesus enters the embrace of the Most Highs of Edentia. Recall that Michael had experienced a previous morontia bestowal (his sixth) on the constellation headquarters of Endantum [1 19:6 (1315.4)].
May	16	Tuesday	9 p.m.—Jesus' eighteenth appearance, at Tyre to a meeting of believers. Jesus and apostles had taught here for two weeks in July AD 29.
May	18	Thursday	Morning —Jesus' last appearance (nineteenth) as a morontia personality. This was also the day of the festival of Pentecost. He met with the apostles on Thursday morning, 7:30 a.m. on Mount Olivet, and left them at 7:45. Total of forty days since the crucifixion. Jesus ascends to Jerusem and then Edentia, where the Most Highs, under the observation of the Eternal Son, release him from the morontia state and return him to the status of Paradise sonship and supreme sovereignty on Salvington. From the Universal Father, he receives formal confirmation of his completed sovereignty of the universe of Nebadon.
May	18	Thursday	10:30 a.m.—Peter calls a meeting of 120 disciples, as well as Jesus' mother and brother James. Matthias replaces Judas as apostle and treasurer.
May	18	Thursday	1 p.m.— Spirit of Truth bestowed on Urantia.