

Christ's Journey and Ours

To be "with Christ" is more than to enjoy his companionship. It is rather to share in the four major events of his whole saving career—his death, resurrection, ascension and return—in such a way that we have experienced the first three, and will one day experience the fourth, "with him."

--John Stott, "With Christ, Our Secret," *Focus on Christ*, page 93.

The Spirit takes the experiences of Jesus—his incarnation, ministry, crucifixion, resurrection, and ascension—and brings them into our own experience. Because of the Holy Spirit, the history of Jesus Christ becomes our story and experience.

--Frank Viola, *Jesus Now*, page 143.