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1. 1 Cor. 15:4. 2. Ps. 68:18; Acts 1:11; Eph. 4:8. 3. Eph. 1:20; Ps. 110:1; Acts 2:33–34; Heb. 1:3. 4. Acts 1:11; Acts 17:31; Matt. 16:27.

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