
Me and the Resurrection

#1: I Need to KNOW the Resurrection

The Bible teaches that Jesus, God in the flesh, came to die on the cross for our sins. He proved that He was God and that His death paid for our sins by rising from the dead (the resurrection).

A. JESUS Predicted that He Would Die & Rise Again

- **John 2:19** Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up."
- **Mark 8:31** And He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.

B. JESUS Rose Again, and Was Seen By Many Witnesses

- **Matthew 28:6** He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.
- **John 21:14** This [is] now the third time Jesus showed Himself to His disciples after He was raised from the dead.
- **Acts 2:32** This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses.
- **1 Cor 15:1-4** Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, ² by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you -- unless you believed in vain. ³ For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures,
- **Rom 1:4** [and] declared [to be] the Son of God with power according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead.

#2: I Need to BELIEVE the Resurrection

A. GOD Requires Us to Believe on Jesus as Our Savior

- **John 3:16** For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.
- **John 6:40** "And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life; and I will raise him up at the last day."
- **John 11:25** Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.
- **Romans 4:24** but also for us. It shall be imputed to us who believe in Him who raised up Jesus our Lord from the dead,

B. GOD'S Salvation Includes Raising Us Up

- **1 Cor 6:14** And God both raised up the Lord and will also raise us up by His power.
- **2 Cor 4:14** knowing that He who raised up the Lord Jesus will also raise us up with Jesus, and will present [us] with you.
- **1 Thes 1:10** and to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, [even] Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

#3: I Need to LIVE the Resurrection

A. A New FREEDOM

Rom 6:4-13 Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. ⁵ For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be [in the likeness] of [His] resurrection, ⁶ knowing this, that our old man was crucified with [Him,] that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin. ⁷ For he who has died has been freed from sin. ⁸ Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, ⁹ knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no longer has dominion over Him. ¹⁰ For [the death] that He died, He died to sin once for all; but [the life] that He lives, He lives to God. ¹¹ Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord. ¹² Therefore do not let sin reign in your mortal body, that you should obey it in its lusts. ¹³ And do not present your members [as] instruments of unrighteousness to sin, but present yourselves to God as being alive from the dead, and your members [as] instruments of righteousness to God. (see Phil 3:10-11)

B. A New FOCUS

Col 3:1-10 If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. ² Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. ³ For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. ⁴ When Christ [who is] our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. ⁵ Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. ⁶ Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, ⁷ in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them. ⁸ But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth. ⁹ Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds, ¹⁰ and have put on the new [man] who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him,