

Series "The God Who Serves"
"Resurrection Of Jesus"
Mark 16:1-8
Study-68

Why Is The Resurrection So Important For The Christian? 1 Corinthians 15:17

Resurrection – "act of rising from the dead, to rise again, to live again." Not in another body, or spiritualizing, but a physical returning back to the body.

Jesus raised 3 people from the dead during His 3 years of ministry:

- 1. A Widow's Son – Luke 7:14-15**
- 2. The Daughter Of Jairus – Luke 8:54-55**
- 3. Lazarus – John 11:43-44**

1 Corinthians 15:3-4

This passage is recorded in all 4 Gospels: Matt. 28:1-8; Mark 16:1–8; Luke 24:1-12; John 20:1-10

The Thought Of Our Passage: "The Biblical Accounts Are Consistent And Clear That Jesus Christ Was Truly Raised From The Dead."

- 1. Verses 1-3 – The First At The Tomb**
- 2. Verses 4-6 – The Empty Tomb**
- 3. Verses 7-8 – The Mission To Tell**

1. Verses 1-3 – The First At The Tomb:

Mark 16:1

Mark 15:47

"Mary Magdalene" – Luke 8:2: cast 7 demons out of. Luke 7:47

"and Mary the {mother} of James," – mother of "James the Less"

"Salome" – is the wife of Zebedee and the mother of James and John.

What is most amazing about the Resurrection story is that the very followers of Jesus were not expecting Jesus to rise from the dead! Jesus had promised it. Matt. 16:21; 17:23; 20:19; 26:32

Mark 16:2

"And very early on the first day of the week," – This is Sunday morning. Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 16:2 – It was on the first day of the week that the early church began to meet, due to the resurrection.

"they came to the tomb when the sun had risen." – Matthew "at dawn," Luke "at early dawn," John "while it was still dark"

Mark 16:3

Lazarus had a stone on his tomb. John 11:39

Jesus Really Died – Mark 15:42-47, "The Burial Of Jesus"

2. Verses 4-6 – The Empty Tomb:

Mark 16:4

Matthew records that very early before daybreak, before the women arrived, there was an earthquake and an angel rolled away the stone: Matthew 28:2

Why Was The Stone Rolled Away? So Jesus could get out? NO!

John 20:19

"the stone had been rolled away," – Not so Jesus could get out! But so the disciples could come in.

Mark 16:5

Luke 24:4

wearing a white robe; Matthew 28:3-4

Mark 16:5 – "and they (Women) were amazed" – this Greek word is used only here in the NT. It is a compound word meaning "to express strong fear and agitation." They were terrified.

Mark 16:6

"And he said to them, "Do not be amazed;" – "to throw into terror or amazement, to terrify to be struck with amazement."

Luke 24:5

Rebuked By An Angel: Luke 24:5

Psalms 16:10

1 Peter 3:18

“He has risen;” – These are the greatest words ever spoken, announcing the greatest miracle that ever taken place on earth.

“He is not here;” – When someone says, “I don’t believe in the resurrection!”, ask them the question, “What happened to the body of Jesus?”

Pictures Of The Empty Tomb: “behold, {here is} the place where they laid Him.”

Peter And John Had To Look For Themselves – John 20:4-8

How Important Is The Resurrection? It’s God The Father’s Stamp Of Approval Of The Finished Work Of His Son Jesus Christ!

1. Penalty Of Sin – We are forgiven. This is our position with Jesus Christ, justification. Romans 4:25
2. Power Of Sin – We do not have to be controlled by sin. Romans 6:11

Romans 8:11

3. Presence Of Sin – Romans 8:30

3. Verses 7-8 – The Mission To Tell:

Mark 16:7

Micah 7:18

Mark 14:28

“just as He said to you.” – Notice that these angels refer back to Jesus and His Words.

Galatians 1:8-9

You reject the prophetic Word, you reject Jesus. You cannot divorce Jesus from the Word/Bible!

Mark 16:8

“Afraid” – “thoroughly scared, profoundly shocked, astonished, bewilderment, being beside themselves with terror.”

1 Peter 1:8

Application:

Jesus Christ is alive, and the evidence is overwhelming.

1. Jesus Predicted His Resurrection: (Matt. 16:21; Mark 9:9-10; John 2:18-22).
2. The Old Testament Foretold It: (Psalm 16:10; Acts 2:25-31; 13:33-37).
3. The Tomb Was Empty And The Grave Clothes Vacant: If those who opposed Christ wished to silence His disciples, all they had to do was produce a body, but they could not (John 20:3-9).
4. Many People Saw The Resurrected Christ: They looked on His face, touched Him, heard His voice, and saw Him eat (Matt. 28:16-20; Luke 24:13-39; John 20:11-29; John 21:1-9; Acts 1:6-11; 1 Cor. 15:3-8).
5. The Lives Of The Disciples Were Transformed: Though they fled and even denied Christ at the time of His arrest, they later feared no one in their proclamation of the risen Christ (Matt. 26:56, 69-75).
6. The Resurrection Was The Central Message Of The Early Church: The Church grew with an unwavering conviction that Christ had risen and was the Lord of the Church (Acts 4:33; 5:30-32; Rom. 5:21).
7. Men and Women Today Testify That The Power Of The Risen Christ Has Transformed Their Lives: We know that Jesus is alive, not only because of the historical and Biblical evidence, but also because He has miraculously touched our lives.