

Series "Behold Your King"
"The Resurrection of Jesus"
Matthew 28:1-15
Part-119

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 re-turning back to the body.

The Resurrection is not a Religious View - It's a Fact of History! "The Church did not Create the Resurrection, The Resurrection Created the Church!"

1. Verses 1-8 – King's Empty Tomb

2. Verses 9-10 – King's Appearance

3. Verses 11-15 – King's Enemies

1. Verses 1-8 – King's Empty Tomb:

Matt 28:1

Matt 27:66

Matthew 21-27 The Rejection of The King:

Matthew 28 The Resurrection of The King:

first day of the week, Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 16:2

Luke 24:10

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

Matt 28:2

1. Earthquake at the Crucifixion - Sins were Paid in Full. Matt 27:51
2. Earthquake at the Resurrection - Victory over Death.

Luke 24:4

Mark 16:3

Matt 28:3-5

Jer 29:13

Matt 28:6

Gal 1:8-9

Peter and John Had to look for themselves - John 20:4-8

What does the empty tomb reveal? (8 Things we will see)

1. Come, see the place where He was lying, Because The Empty Tomb Proves that Jesus Christ was God: Romans 1:3-4
2. Come, see the place where He was lying; The Empty Tomb Verifies the Truth of Scripture: Psalm 16:10; 110:1
3. Come, see the place where He was lying; The Empty Tomb Reveals the Horror of Our Sin: 1 John 2:2
4. Come, see the place where He was lying; The Empty Tomb is Proof of a Future Judgment: Acts 17:31
5. Come, see the place where He was lying; The Empty Tomb Makes Certain Our Own Future Resurrection: Rom. 6:5
6. Come, see the place where He was lying; The Empty Tomb Means Power for Christian living: Romans 8:11
7. Come, see the place where He was lying; The Empty Tomb Forces Us To See Our Own Mortality: Heb 9:27
8. Come, see the place where He was lying; The Empty Tomb Means Jesus Has Conquered Death: 1 Cor 15:55

Matt 28:7

Matt 26:32.

Matt 28:8

2. Verses 9-10 – King’s Appearance:

Matt 28:9

"Greeted them" can be translated 3 different ways.

1. "greeted" – It is a word of Salutation. It is as if He said, "Welcome, friends." "Glad to see you my friends." "All hail, my friends!"
2. "greeted" – It is a word of congratulations. It is rendered "Rejoice,"; that is a proper rendering of it. "Let us joy and rejoice together."
3. "greeted" – It is a word of pacification. It means, "Peace be to you!"

Romans 5:1

Matt 28:10

Acts 1:3

3. Verses 11-15 – King’s Enemies:

Matt 28:11-12

They could not believe because they would not believe!

Matt 28:13-14

Note that the resurrection was not denied but they attempt to explain it away!

Matt 28:15

Acts 2:32

Application:

Christ is alive, and the evidence is overwhelming. Here are some of the reasons we can be so sure.

1. Jesus Predicted His Resurrection: (Matt. 16:21; Mark 9:9-10; John 2:18-22).
2. The Old Testament Prophesied 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.