

# Resurrection Life

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## **Jesus was physically raised from the dead.**

The resurrection of Jesus Christ is of central importance to the NT. Jesus Christ's resurrection represents a demonstration of the power of God, the confirmation of the divinity of Jesus Christ and the grounds of hope for Christian believers.

**Every Gospel gives careful details of His resurrection** (Mt 28; Mk 16; Lk 24; Jn 20 - 21).

## **The resurrection declares and proves that Jesus is the Son of God.**

Rom 1:4 who (Jesus) was declared the Son of God with power by the resurrection from the dead, according to the Spirit of holiness, Jesus Christ our Lord,

## **The apostles preached the physical resurrection of Jesus Christ.**

Ac 1:22 beginning with the baptism of John until the day that He was taken up from us - one of these must become a witness with us of His resurrection." (Ac 2:30-31; 4:1-2, 33; 17:18, 32).

## **The resurrection is foundational to our faith.**

Heb 6:1-2 Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, let us press on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, of instruction about washings and laying on of hands, and the resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment.

## **It is the basis of the believers' resurrection**

1Cor 15:20-23 But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep. 21 For since by a man came death, by a man also came the resurrection of the dead. 22 For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive. 23 But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, after that those who are Christ's at His coming,

## **Faith in the resurrection of Jesus Christ releases God's power in our lives.**

The gospel brings new life to men and women, who lived in death and darkness until they came to faith. The NT emphasis upon "being made alive in Christ" is intricately linked to the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

## **It is the premise for faith.**

1Cor 15:14-15 and if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is vain, your faith also is vain. 15 Moreover we are even found to be false witnesses of God, because we testified against God that He raised Christ, whom He did not raise, if in fact the dead are not raised.

## **It produces salvation.**

Rom 10:9-10 that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; for with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.

## **It causes us to live a new life in Christ.**

Gal 2:20 "I have been crucified with Christ; and it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself up for me.

2Cor 5:17 Therefore if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creature; the old things passed away; behold, new things have come. (Eph 2:4-6)

**In baptism, we consider ourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus.**

Rom 6:11 Even so consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus. (Rom 6:3-11)

**It is the basis for righteousness and justification.**

Rom 4:25 He who was delivered over because of our transgressions, and was raised because of our justification. (Rom 4:5, 24; 5:18).

Gal 2:16 nevertheless knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the Law but through faith in Christ Jesus, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, so that we may be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the Law;

**It will cause us to rest from self-works.**

Eph 2:5-6 even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,

**It releases us to live in the power of God.**

Eph 1:18-20 I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe. These are in accordance with the working of the strength of His might which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places,

**It will cause us to bear fruit for God.**

Rom 7:4 Therefore, my brethren, you also were made to die to the Law through the body of Christ, so that you might be joined to another, to Him who was raised from the dead, in order that we might bear fruit for God.

**It fosters desire to know God personally.**

Phil 3:10 that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection ...

**It creates hope in us.**

1Pt 1:3-4 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you (1Cor 15:19; Tit 1:1-3; Rom 5:1-2).

**It generates healing and health in us.**

Rom 8:10-11 If Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, yet the spirit is alive because of righteousness. 11 But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you.

**It breeds victory over demonic attacks**

Eph 1:20-23 which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places, 21 far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the one to come. 22 And He put all things in subjection under His feet, and gave Him as head over all things to the church, 23 which is His body, the fullness of Him who fills all in all. (Col 2:10-15)

**Resurrected faith creates spiritual desires.**

Col 3:1-2 Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth.