

The Power of the Resurrection

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Importance of Jesus' resurrection:

Without the resurrection of Christ there is no redemption

Resurrection, redemption, and regeneration are closely linked in the Bible. Redemption was not possible without Christ's crucifixion and the regeneration of people is not possible without Christ's resurrection.

1Pt 1:3 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,

The resurrection proved Jesus to be the Son of God.

Rom 1:4 who was declared the Son of God with power by the resurrection from the dead,

Jesus' physical resurrection from the dead is the central point of Christianity. It is the most important truth (doctrine) of the entire Bible. To prove that the resurrection of Jesus never occurred is to disprove the entire Bible (1Cor 15:12-19).

Without the resurrection of Jesus there is no gospel and no salvation power.

Rom 1:16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

The cross of Christ is the power of God for the believer.

1Cor 1:18 For the word of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

1Cor 2:5 so that your faith would not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God.

The gospel releases the power of the Holy Spirit.

1Thes 1:5 for our gospel did not come to you in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; ...

We have resurrection power living on the inside.

Rom 6:5 For if we have become united with Him in the likeness of His death, certainly we shall also be in the likeness of His resurrection,

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.

We are able (have power) to live as new creations

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

Rom 6:4 we have been buried with Him through baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

Through the resurrection of Christ we have God's power

We have God's power working within us

2Cor 4:7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, so that the surpassing greatness of the power will be of God and not from ourselves;

Evidence that we are living in God's kingdom is having His power

1Cor 4:20 For the kingdom of God does not consist in words but in power.

God's power works in us through our weakness.

2Cor 12:9 And He has said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is perfected in weakness." Most gladly, therefore, I will rather boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me.

His power is towards us as we believe.

Eph 1:19 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

Our spirit is to be strengthened with His power by the Holy Spirit

Eph 3:16 that He would grant you, according to the riches of His glory, to be strengthened with power through His Spirit in the inner man,

God is able to do great things through the power of God within us.

Eph 3:20 Now to Him who is able to do far more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us,

God wants us to know the power of His resurrection.

Phil 3:10 that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death;

We will walk in a pleasing way to the Lord as we are strengthened with His power.

Col 1:10-11 so that you will walk in a manner worthy of the Lord, to please Him in all respects, bearing fruit in every good work and increasing in the knowledge of God; 11 strengthened with all power, according to His glorious might, for the attaining of all steadfastness and patience; joyously

God has given to us a spirit of power.

2Tim 1:7 For God has not given us a spirit of timidity, but of power and love and discipline.

Religious people have a form of godliness without any power.

2Tim 3:1-4 But realize this, that in the last days difficult times will come. For men will be lovers of self, ... holding to a form of godliness, although they have denied its power.

Through the power of God we have everything we need for life and godliness.

2Pt 1:3 seeing that His divine power has granted to us everything pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence.