

Jesus predicted He would rise from the dead.

John 11:23-27

(23) Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again.

(24) Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.

(25) Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:

(26) And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

(27) She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world.

Jesus redeemed mankind on the cross.

Luke 23:44-47

(44) And it was about the sixth hour, and there was a darkness over all the earth until the ninth hour.

(45) And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst.

(46) And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said, Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit: and having said thus, he gave up the ghost.

(47) Now when the centurion saw what was done, he glorified God, saying, Certainly this was a righteous man.

The physical body of Jesus was resurrected.

Mark 16:5-7

(5) And entering into the sepulchre, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, clothed in a long white garment; and they were affrighted.

(6) And he saith unto them, Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus of Nazareth, which was crucified: he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him.

(7) But go your way, tell his disciples and Peter that he goeth before you into Galilee: there shall ye see him, as he said unto you.

The apostles confronted the ungodly Jews about their responsibility for Jesus' death.

Acts 3:13-15

(13) The God of Abraham, and of Isaac, and of Jacob, the God of our fathers, hath glorified his

Son Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let him go.

(14) But ye denied the Holy One and the Just, and desired a murderer to be granted unto you;

(15) And killed the Prince of life, whom God hath raised from the dead; whereof we are witnesses.

Acts 4:33

(33) And with great power gave the apostles witness of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all.

The resurrection of Jesus is not a metaphor. It is the Son of God rising from the dead, defeating sin and death forever.

1 Corinthians 15:1-8

(1) Moreover, brethren, I declare unto you the gospel which I preached unto you, which also ye have received, and wherein ye stand;

(2) By which also ye are saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you, unless ye have believed in vain.

(3) For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how 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:

(5) And that he was seen of Cephas, then of the twelve:

(6) After that, he was seen of above five hundred brethren at once; of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep.

(7) After that, he was seen of James; then of all the apostles.

(8) And last of all he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time.

1 Corinthians 15:12-22

(12) Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead?

(13) But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen:

(14) And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain.

(15) Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we have testified of God that he

raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not.

(16) For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised:

(17) And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins.

(18) Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished.

(19) If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.

(20) But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.

(21) For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

(22) For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

The pre-resurrection Jesus made it clear that He is the only way to heaven.

John 14:6

(6) Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

The post-resurrection Jesus reasserted his claim to the apostle John.

Revelation 1:17-19

(17) And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last:

(18) I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.

(19) Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter;

Jesus was humble even though he was God.

Philippians 2:5-11

(5) Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus:

(6) Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:

(7) But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men:

(8) And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto

death, even the death of the cross.

(9) Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:

(10) That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;

(11) And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Paul stated that he wanted to know Jesus.

Philippians 3:10-11

(10) That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;

(11) If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.

The cross doesn't make sense to the world.

1 Corinthians 1:18

(18) For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.

Jesus is coming again.

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

(13) But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.

(14) For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so them also which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.

(15) For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them which are asleep.

(16) For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first:

(17) Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

(18) Wherefore comfort one another with these words.