

Resurrection Life of Jesus Church

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THE DEATH OF JESUS

The body of Jesus was buried in a tomb following the brutal scourging and crucifixion. Death was real, this was not an illusion. **Matthew 27:57-66; John 19:38-42**

THE RESURRECTION

In the Book of Acts, Luke speaks about King David and his reference to the Messiah who would die, but His body would not decay, and such an action requires a freezer or something else.

*Men and brethren, let me freely speak unto you of the patriarch David, that he is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with us unto this day. Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne; He seeing this before **spake of the resurrection of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.** (Acts 2:29-31)*

*Wherefore he saith also in another psalm, Thou shalt not suffer thine Holy One to see corruption. For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption: **But he, whom God raised again, saw no corruption.**" (Acts 13:35-37 c.f. Psalm 16:10)*

Isaiah gives a paradox as the Messiah dies (cut off), but then continues living and sees the result of His work. That only makes sense if He rises from the dead.

*"He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall declare his generation? for **he was cut off out of the land of the living:** for the transgression of my people was he stricken. And he made his grave with the wicked, and with the rich in his death; because he had done no violence, neither was any deceit in his mouth. Yet **it pleased the LORD to bruise him;** he hath put him to grief: when thou shalt make his soul an offering for sin, **he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days,** and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand." (Isaiah 53:8-10)*

With Hosea, the third day pattern emerges as life would be restored on the third day.



*“After two days will he revive us: **in the third day he will raise us up, and we shall live in his sight.**” (Hosea 6:2)*

Jonah was in the whale for three days and three nights until brought out alive; he was a prophetic picture of the Messiah’s death and resurrection.

*“For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale’s belly; **so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.**” (Matthew 12:40)*

Daniel spoke of a general resurrection, showing that resurrection was part of the prophetic framework, making the Messiah’s resurrection consistent with God’s revealed plan.

*“And **many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.**” (Daniel 12:2)*

We find that Scripture builds a cumulative case for the resurrection:

- ❖ A body that won’t decay (David)
- ❖ A servant who dies yet lives again (Isaiah)
- ❖ A third-day restoration pattern (Hosea)
- ❖ A prophetic sign (Jonah)
- ❖ A theology of resurrection (Daniel)

The resurrection of Jesus was woven into the Old Testament. That’s why the Son of God opened the Scriptures on the road to Emmaus; the evidence was there, but it wasn’t obvious to the disciples.

*“Then he said unto them, **O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken:** Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory? And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.” (Luke 24:25-27)*

Jesus rose from the dead three days later just as the prophets predicted. The resurrection vindicates that sin is defeated, death is conquered, and Christ is Lord. **Matthew 28:1-10; Mark 16; Luke 24; John 20**

The week leading to the resurrection was not a tragic sequence, but the manifestation of a divine plan:

*“Him, being **delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain.**” (Acts 2:23)*

Everything went according to the Godhead’s plan.

“But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory: Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory.” (1 Corinthians 2:7-8)

The irony was that the cross was not the triumph of man’s will over God’s purpose, but it became the very means by which God’s purpose was accomplished through the actions of sinful men who were ignorant with regard to the grand purpose of their actions. What appeared to be defeat, was in fact, a decisive victory for the Godhead.

“For I delivered unto you first of all that which I also received, how that Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures.” (1 Corinthians 15:3-4)

The Lamb was offered, not overtaken. The Son was obedient, not overpowered.

“Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again. No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father.” (John 10:17-18)

The burial of Jesus did not signal the end; it signified that His sacrifice was complete. The silence of the tomb was not uncertainty, but anticipation that prophecy would be fulfilled.

“For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.” (Psalm 16:10)

And when the third day came, it did not produce life, but yielded to the One who is life. This was the motivation behind the angelic declaration:

“He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.” (Matthew 28:6)

The resurrection was not an unexpected reversal, but the public announcement that the redemptive work was finished, the debt was paid, and death itself had been overthrown.

“Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.” (Acts 2:24)

The week that began with cries of “Hosanna” descended into betrayal, injustice, and crucifixion. However, it culminated not in sorrow, but in glory.

HE'S ALIVE

The song [He's Alive](#) by Don Francisco tells the resurrection of Jesus from the perspective of the apostle Peter. It is deeply personal, filled with emotional guilt, despair, and overwhelming hope.

It begins with Peter reflecting on the crucifixion. He is crushed by what happened and haunted by his own failure of denying Jesus three times. The tone is heavy, full of regret and confusion, as everything he believed seems lost.

Then the scene shifts. Mary comes running with the news that the tomb is empty. At first, Peter is skeptical, but something stirs in him. He and John run to the tomb, and when Peter enters and sees the grave clothes lying there, the reality begins to hit that something impossible has happened.

The turning point comes when Peter encounters the risen Jesus. At that moment, all doubt collapses. His grief is replaced with certainty and awe. The chorus explodes with the testimony:

***“He’s alive! He’s alive!
Christ is risen from the dead!”***

What makes the song powerful is that it doesn't just state the resurrection, it walks the listener through the internal transformation of someone who failed badly and is restored by encountering the living Christ.

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