

The Power of Jesus' Resurrection

Matthew 28:5-10



Introduction

- The apostles preached Jesus' resurrection.
 - Peter spoke of David's prophecy.
Acts 2:30-33
 - The apostles were witnesses to Jesus' resurrection. ***Acts 4:33***

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- There is great power in the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.
 - As the apostle Paul wrote, “...*that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death.*” **Phil 3:10**
- In this lesson, we will consider four things accomplished by the resurrection of Jesus.

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ...

- Declares Jesus to be the Son of God.
 - Before His death, Jesus referred to Himself as the Son of the heavenly Father. ***John 5:17-23***
 - Jesus' resurrection declared (designated, proved) to the world that He was the Son of God. ***Rom 1:1-4; cf. Acts 13:33-37***

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ...

- Makes possible our resurrection to eternal life in heaven.
 - Just as Jesus was raised from the dead, so too will we be raised in the likeness of His resurrection. ***Rom 6:4-5***
 - We believe God will also raise us up. ***1 Cor 15:20-24; 2 Cor 4:13-14***

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ...

- Gives us hope for eternal salvation.
 - Peter tells us that God “*has begotten us again to a living hope.*” **1 Pet 1:3-5**
 - This hope is made possible “through the resurrection of Jesus Christ.” **1 Pet 3:21**

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ...

- Makes our serving the Lord not in vain.
 - The apostle Paul reminds the brethren that their labor, their “work of the Lord,” is not in vain. ***1 Cor 15:14-20, 58***
 - There is a “crown of righteousness” awaiting the faithful. ***2 Tim 4:6-8***

Conclusion

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