

Acts 1:3 "being seen of them forty days..."

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THE INFALLIBLE FORTY DAYS

SUBJECT: The Days of the  
Second Coming

(Forever Triumphant)

The Infallible Forty Days

The Day of the Resurrection  
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Place where Jesus born, to place where crucified, rose again, six miles.

From Christmas to Easter  
Bethlehem to Jerusalem  
Manger to the tomb

> the two terminals of Jesus' days in the flesh  
are further apart than a journey from Rome College  
yet without a word is included in that span!

In that little valley, that the father with angelic presentation gave Jesus as a free gift to mankind  
here in the grand city on a Friday was handed back the heavenly gift on the part of a Roman upon  
and yet God who is merciful to the uttermost gave Jesus back to mankind. *(As the day  
one would have  
thought that had  
ended it.  
But no...)*

THE DAYS OF THE SECOND GIVING.

"40 days"

Gen. 7:4 rain of the flood  
Ex. 24:18; 34:28 Moses on the mt.  
Gen. 2:4 40 days of travail during  
Job. 1:13 Jesus "is the wilderness."  
Acts 1:3 "seen of them forty days"  
The 10 recorded appearances.

The forty days. What they did.

I. TURNED DEFEAT INTO VICTORY.

The defeat of the Cross. The silence of the tomb. The despair of the disciples.

- Certain that everything was over.
- How to witness that just they knew that his body has disappeared. Authority naturally became them. Soldiers paid to say they broke the Roman seal. Huddled together in a locked room.

The electric news of the resurrection.

Breathless, murmuring - many say, "He is risen!"  
- Peter, James, just before  
- Cleopas and his friend, had walked to the hills, where Jesus was  
- the morning appearance. "He is risen!" "Could not believe it."  
even so they were saying it could not be, then the word.

Defeat turned into unarguably, irrefutable, glorious victory. "He is risen!"

And that for all. (2) Dr. Oak, Carr's Lane. "Christ is alive!" That realization.

He lives! He lives! Christ Jesus lives today!  
He walks with me and talks with me  
Along life's narrow way.  
He lives! He lives! salvation to impart.  
You ask me how? know He lives?  
He lives within my heart.

II. OPENED A CORRIDOR INTO THE OTHER WORLD.

But the shoreline right here  
with the bridge from earth  
was there too

Oh, how many times have we desired to see and to know. The great beyond. Stalaglas: "The unadorned country from which to come no traveler returns."

The three plagues of the death delusion.

- (1) Sit all you can while getting a good - elbow, chisel your way through. *the way*
- (2) Hours, fear, cursing, of your death self.
- (3) Personal, angelic grief shadowing on lips.

The answer of the forty days.

1. The same Jesus.

- (1) Thomas - scars
- (2) John - folding the napkin
- (3) Cleopas - the way he said the blessing
- (4) Mary - pronouncing her name.

His own invitation th. 24:36-43 (cf. Jn. 1:18).

" " word to Paul Acts 27:8 "I am Jesus of Nazareth" *How do we know the name.*

One of the great purposes of the resurrection minister, to convince his friends and disciples by words, signs, that their relationship with him, beginning here, transcends the earthly change. Love nothing, continues into the great beyond.

2. What awaits us beyond? What greet us?

Compare from our own experience here. We have forgot, but once upon a time in our souls history, the present world as it ranges as the future would to which we are going. might have said: "No, no, not the planet earth. Not a single soul I know there." But not came. what happened? First journey we met on this strange, cold, warping planet one best friend. One meeting, will that be less providential there?

Ps. 103:14 When we think of the dust, will be class to know & remember? The sparrows. The way you would wonder. Is that equal to all of eternity?

J. Cor. 2:9  
14:1-3

III. REVEALED THE CONTINUING PRESENCE OF JESUS WITH US.

Death not able to separate him & them. Never really away from them. He had not let them down.

News came when they might see him. Now the room - now caught up with them on the road, now picking out dawn. News left - a cloud received him out of their sight. He was there!

After a little while, no longer needed to see him: they knew him by his presence "working with them."

His final promise: "with you always..."

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A. Roy L. Smith, former preacher and pastor, Editor of the  
National Methodist Magazine, The Christian Advocate. This address  
in the words of the apostles consists mostly of a discussion of the  
Resurrection: the fact in the experience of the apostles as the resurrected  
Church. He told this story, expressing his own belief in  
a personal immortality.

He was born in the cold winter time, in one  
of the most blizzards that ever struck <sup>MID WESTERN PLAINS</sup> Kansas. The  
mother holding the infant next to her to keep the little body  
warm: the father breaking up the last piece of furniture  
as kindly for the fire but they all freeze to death. The terrible  
wind and snow whirling around the ten paper shack.  
During that awful trial, the father knelt down by the bed  
and prayed & prayed, giving the life, if they should live, of the  
little new-born son, to God as a minister of the gospel.

That father, mother, now after the passing of the years, for a  
long time in glory. But, said Dr. Smith, some of these  
days, son, I shall see that faithful father and mother  
in heaven, and I shall lay in their hands the record  
of these forty years of ministry, and I shall say,  
"Here is the fruit and the harvest of your prayers."

My thought - back of a great ministry, always  
a great faith and a great experience.