

I Am the Resurrection and the Life John 11:25

Colossians 1:18 – Firstborn

He is also head of the body, the church; and He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that He Himself will come to have first place in everything.

Hebrews 6:1-2 – Foundational

Therefore leaving the elementary teaching about the Christ, let us press on to maturity, not laying again a foundation of repentance from dead works and of faith toward God, ² of instruction about washings and laying on of hands, and the resurrection of the dead and eternal judgment.

1 Peter 1:3 – Hope

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,

1 Peter 3:21-22 – Salvation

Corresponding to that, baptism now saves you-- not the removal of dirt from the flesh, but an appeal to God for a good conscience-- through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²² who is at the right hand of God, having gone into heaven, after angels and authorities and powers had been subjected to Him.

1 Corinthians 15:14-19

and if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is vain, your faith also is vain. ¹⁵ Moreover we are even found to be false witnesses of God, because we testified against God that He raised Christ, whom He did not raise, if in fact the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised; ¹⁷ and if Christ has not been raised, your faith is worthless; you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also

who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹ If we have hoped in Christ in this life only, we are of all men most to be pitied.

John 11:21-26 – Martha / Jesus

*Martha then said to Jesus, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died. ²² "Even now I know that whatever You ask of God, God will give You." ²³ Jesus *said to her, "Your brother will rise again." ²⁴ Martha *said to Him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." ²⁵ Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies, ²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?"*

Colossians 1:15

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

I. Resurrection is Foundational

1 Peter 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,

A. Regeneration

Ephesians 2:5-6

even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), ⁶ and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,

Philippians 3:10

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

Romans 6**Ephesians 1:19-20**

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 ²⁰ which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places,

Romans 6:4, 11

⁴ *Therefore 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.*

¹¹ *Even so consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus.*

Romans 6 – idea is power to gain more and more victory over remaining sin.

Romans 6:14

For sin shall not be master over you, for you are not under law but under grace.

Acts 1:8

but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be My witnesses both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and even to the remotest part of the earth."

B. Justification

Romans 4:25

He who was delivered over because of our transgressions, and was raised because of our justification.

Philippians 2:8-9 – Put it together

Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. ⁹ For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name,

Ephesians 2:6

and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,

C. Our Resurrection**1 Corinthians 6:14**

Now God has not only raised the Lord, but will also raise us up through His power.

2 Corinthians 4:14

knowing that He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and will present us with you.

1 Corinthians 15:12-58**1 Corinthians 15:20** – First Fruits

But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep.

D. Encouragement

1 Corinthians 15:58

Knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord.

Colossians 3:1-4

Therefore if you have been raised up with Christ, keep seeking the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.² Set your mind on the things above, not on the things that are on earth.³ For you have died and your life is hidden with Christ in God.⁴ When Christ, who is our life, is revealed, then you also will be revealed with Him in glory.

II. Resurrection is Faith

John 11:25-26

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life; he who believes in Me will live even if he dies,²⁶ and everyone who lives and believes in Me will never die. Do you believe this?"

- God created earth and placed me upon it.
- I am a sinner.
- God, in love and wisdom, sent Jesus Christ.
- Jesus came to die in my place, bearing my sin that I might be saved.
- Jesus existed with God from the beginning.
- Jesus became man.

- Jesus lived a perfect life.
- Jesus died as a substitution for me, satisfying the wrath of God and removing my sin.
- Jesus historically and bodily rose from the dead, showing that God the Father accepted His sacrifice.
- God has sent the Holy Spirit to open my eyes to understand these things.
- I believe that God illuminated me through the Holy Spirit to understand the Bible.
- God providentially brings everything into my life as a product of His direct or permissive will.
- God will send His Son again and I will rise in a resurrected, perfect body.

Do you believe in Jesus?

Will you be resurrected?