

Resurrection Sunday

{The 1st Lord's Day – 30 A.D.}
{April 16, 2017 A.D.}

What is the significance of the Resurrection of Jesus and the empty tomb????

1. The Resurrection of Jesus was chief among all the signs to an unbelieving and skeptical world.
2. God substantiated Jesus' claim to be the source of all life, eternal through the Resurrection.
3. The Resurrection of Jesus is preached as an essential part of the Gospel and Confession/Proclamation of the Early Church (30-100 A.D.).
4. God validated the Person, Teaching and Ministry of Jesus, by His bodily resurrection.
5. **Resurrection to eternal life with God is the Hope of every Believer in Jesus Christ.**

THE RESURRECTION OF ALL OF THE DEAD TO JUDGMENT BY JESUS CHRIST

Daniel 12:1-2

¹ "Now at that time Michael, the great prince who stands *guard* over the sons of your people, will arise. And there will be a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation until that time; and at that time your people, **everyone who is found written in the book, will be rescued.** ² **Many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground will awake, these to everlasting life, but the others to disgrace and everlasting contempt.**

John 5:25-29

²⁵ "Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming and now is, when **the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live.** ²⁶ "For just as the Father has life in Himself, even so He gave to the Son also to have life in Himself; ²⁷ and He gave Him authority to execute judgment, because He is *the* Son of Man. ²⁸ "Do not marvel at this; for an hour is coming, in which **all who are in the tombs will hear His voice,** ²⁹ **and will come forth; those who did the good deeds to a resurrection of life, those who committed the evil deeds to a resurrection of judgment.**

Titus 1:1-3

¹ Paul, a bond-servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ, for the faith of **those chosen of God** and the knowledge of the truth which is according to godliness, ² **in the hope of eternal life, which God, who cannot lie, promised long ages ago,** ³ but at the proper time manifested, *even* His word, in the proclamation with which I was entrusted according to the commandment of God our Savior,

Revelation 20:11-15

¹¹ Then **I saw a great white throne and Him who sat upon it,** from whose presence earth and heaven fled away, and no place was found for them. ¹² And **I saw the dead, the great and the small, standing before the throne, and books were opened; and another book was opened, which is the book of life; and the dead were judged from the things which were written in the books, according to their deeds.** ¹³ And **the sea gave up the dead which were in it, and death and Hades gave up the dead which were in them; and they were judged, every one of them according to their deeds.** ¹⁴ Then death and Hades were thrown into the lake of fire. This is the second death, the lake of fire. ¹⁵ And if anyone's name was not found written in the book of life, he was thrown into the lake of fire.

THE CENTRALITY OF JESUS CHRIST FOR RESURRECTION TO ETERNAL LIFE

John 11:20-27

²⁰ Martha therefore, when she heard that Jesus was coming, went to meet Him, but Mary stayed at the house. ²¹ 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?**" ²⁷ She said* to Him, "Yes, Lord; I have believed that You are the Christ, the Son of God, *even* He who comes into the world."

1 Corinthians 15:12-20

¹² Now if Christ is preached, that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ But if there is no resurrection of the dead, not even Christ has been raised; ¹⁴ 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. ²⁰ **But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep.**

THE SOVEREIGN, ETERNAL ELECTION OF SINNERS TO SALVATION IN CHRIST, BY GOD

2 Thessalonians 2:13

¹³ But we should always give thanks to God for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because **God has chosen you from the beginning for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and faith in the truth.**

2 Timothy 2:10

¹⁰ For this reason I endure all things **for the sake of those who are chosen,** so that they also **may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus and with it eternal glory.**

1 Peter 2:9-10

⁹ But you are **A CHOSEN RACE,** A royal PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY NATION, A PEOPLE FOR God's OWN POSSESSION, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has **called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;** ¹⁰ for you once were NOT A PEOPLE, but now you are THE PEOPLE OF GOD; you had NOT RECEIVED MERCY, but now you have RECEIVED MERCY.

Ephesians 1:3-14

³ Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly *places* in Christ, ⁴ just as **He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world,** that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love ⁵ **He predestined us** to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will, ⁶ to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. ⁷ In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace ⁸ which He lavished on us. In all wisdom and insight ⁹ He made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His kind intention which He purposed in Him ¹⁰ with a view to an administration suitable to the fullness of the times, *that is*, the summing up of all things in Christ, things in the heavens and things on the earth. In Him ¹¹ also we have obtained an inheritance, **having been predestined according to His purpose who works all things after the counsel of His will,** ¹² to the end that we who were the first to hope in Christ would be to the praise of His glory. ¹³ In Him, you also, after listening to the message of truth, the gospel of your salvation—having also believed, you were sealed in Him with the Holy Spirit of promise, ¹⁴ who is given as a pledge of our inheritance, with a view to the redemption of God's own possession, to the praise of His glory.

THE SOVEREIGN, GRACIOUS, SALVATION OF SINNERS IN JESUS CHRIST, BY GOD

Titus 3:4-7

⁴ But when the kindness of God our Savior and His love for mankind appeared, ⁵ **He saved us, not on the basis of deeds which we have done in righteousness, but according to His mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewing by the Holy Spirit,** ⁶ whom He poured out upon us richly **through Jesus Christ our Savior,** ⁷ so that being **justified by His grace** we would be made heirs according to **the hope of eternal life.**

Ephesians 2:4-10

⁴ But God, being **rich in mercy,** because of **His great love with which He loved us,** ⁵ 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, ⁷ so that in the ages to come He might show the **surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus.** ⁸ For **by grace you have been saved through faith;** and **that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God;** ⁹ **not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.** ¹⁰ For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.

THE EXCLUSIVITY OF SALVATION; BY JESUS CHRIST ALONE

John 14:6 (NASB95)

⁶ Jesus said* to him, "**I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father but through Me.**

Acts 4:12 (NASB95)

¹² "And **there is salvation in no one else; for there is no other name under heaven that has been given among men by which we must be saved.**"

[Matthew 28:1-10](#) (NASB95)

[Mark 16:1-13](#) (NASB95)

[Luke 24:1-12](#) (NASB95)

[John 20:1-18](#) (NASB95)

Now after the Sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first *day* of the week, Mary Magdalene, from whom Jesus had cast out seven demons, and Mary the *mother* of James, Salome, Joanna and also the other women with them bought spices, which they had prepared, so that they might come and anoint Him. And they came to look at the tomb, while it was still dark. They were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance of the tomb?"

And behold, a severe earthquake had occurred, for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven and came and rolled away the stone and sat upon it. And his appearance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow. The guards shook for fear of him and became like dead men.

Looking up, they saw the stone *already* taken away from the tomb, although it was extremely large. Mary was standing outside the tomb weeping; and so, as she wept, she stooped and looked into the tomb; But when they entered the tomb, they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men suddenly stood near them in dazzling clothing; one at the head and one at the feet, where the body of Jesus had been lying. And as the women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Woman, why are you weeping?" She said to them, "Because they have taken away my Lord, and I do not know where they have laid Him. "Why do you seek the living One among the dead? They saw a young man sitting at the right, wearing a white robe; and they were amazed. The angel said to the women, "Do not be amazed and afraid; for I know that you are looking for Jesus, the Nazarene, who has been crucified. "He is not here, for He has risen, just as He said. Remember how He spoke to you while He was still in Galilee, saying that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again." And they remembered His words. Come, see the place where He was lying. But "Go quickly and tell His disciples and Peter, that He has risen from the dead; and behold, He is going ahead of you into Galilee, there you will see Him, just as He told you.; behold, I have told you."

Mary turned around and saw Jesus standing *there*, and did not know that it was Jesus. And behold, Jesus met them and greeted them. Jesus said to her, "Woman, why are you weeping? Whom are you seeking?" Supposing Him to be the gardener, she said to Him, "Sir, if you have carried Him away, tell me where you have laid Him, and I will take Him away." Jesus said to her, "Mary!" She turned and said to Him in Hebrew, "Rabboni!" (which means, Teacher). And they came up and took hold of His feet and worshiped Him. Jesus said to her, "Stop clinging to Me, for I have not yet ascended to the Father; Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid; but go to My brethren and say to them, to leave for Galilee, and there they will see Me." 'I ascend to My Father and your Father, and My God and your God.' "

And they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy and ran to report it to His disciples, and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

They came to Simon Peter and to the other disciple whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken away the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid Him," and Mary Magdalene came, announcing to the disciples, "I have seen the Lord," and *that* He had said these things to her and reported all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. But these words appeared to them as nonsense, and they would not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb;

So Peter and the other disciple went forth, and they were going to the tomb. The two were running together; and the other disciple ran ahead faster than Peter and came to the tomb first; and stooping and looking in, he saw the linen wrappings lying *there*; but he did not go in. And so Simon Peter also came, following him, and entered the tomb; and he saw the linen wrappings lying *there*, and the face-cloth which had been on His head, not lying with the linen wrappings, but rolled up in a place by itself. So the other disciple who had first come to the tomb then also entered, and he saw and believed. For as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that He must rise again from the dead. So the disciples went away again to their own homes marveling at what had happened.