



Outline for Sabbath School Teachers with ideas for group discussion inspired by the Teachers' Edition of the Sabbath School Lesson prepared by the General Conference SS ministry.

Lesson No. 05 **22 - 28 October 2022**
Title: **Resurrections Before the Cross**

Let's Share the Word

Key Texts: *Jude 9, Luke 9:28–36, 1Kings 17:8–24, Luke 7:11–17, Mark 5:35–43, John 11:1–44.*

Themes to Explore

- The power of God that was manifested for the resurrection of Jesus had been manifested in the times of some of the prophets.
- The proclamation of eternal life before the ascension of Christ is implicit in the experience of Elijah and of Moses, whilst there are also some other resurrection events that took place centuries before Christ.
- All this has a single motivation, it testifies to the uniqueness of God concerning life. He creates it and gives it back.

Pastoral Group Objectives

1. The central purpose of this week's lesson is to focus on the power and will of God towards His creatures.
2. God is life; Moses said, "He is your Life". In your Sabbath School group reflect on this thought.
3. The resurrection is a defining moment with regards to all the theories of human nature: the soul; immortality and eternal life.

Suggestions for Teaching and Spiritual Objectives:

- Facilitate those present to share an understanding of this one truth.

Possible Questions for Deeper Study, Sharing and Application:

1. What have we learned that is new from the teaching presented in this week's lesson?
2. Why did the Holy Spirit inspire the recounting of resurrections centuries prior to Christ despite knowing that with the coming of Christ that.....
3. What knowledge about God do we have from the Old Testament resurrection texts?
4. How can we describe the faith of Elijah, Elisha and the Centurion of Capernaum?
5. How can we transmit the hope of the resurrection in our time to our contemporaries?

Personal Testimony and Church Mission:

The Christian Church was founded in the aftermath of the resurrection of Jesus and grew thanks to the preaching of that resurrection. How can we make this our experience?