

Lesson 8: The Power of Christ's Resurrection

A. The essential truth of Christ's resurrection

1. 1 Corinthians 15:1-4 What essential truth did Paul emphasize regarding the death of Jesus for our sins? (see also Romans 1:1-4)
2. What evidence did Paul provide for the resurrection of Jesus from the dead? 1 Corinthians 15:5-8
3. Why are there some differences in the accounts of the Gospel writers regarding the resurrection of Jesus from the dead?
4. What testimony did Jesus give regarding His resurrection from the dead? Luke 24:44-46
5. What testimony did Peter give on the Day of Pentecost regarding the resurrection of Jesus from the dead? Acts 2:22-24

B. The importance of the resurrection of Jesus

1. 1 Corinthians 15:12-19 Why is the resurrection of Jesus from the dead important for the Christian?
2. What revelation did Peter give to Cornelius regarding the resurrection of Jesus? Acts 10:36-40
3. 1 Corinthians 15:20-23 What is the meaning of the resurrection of Jesus as "the first fruits" and what is the timing for the general resurrection?
4. Where can we find additional inspired information about the resurrection of "the dead in Christ" at His coming in glory? 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17
5. What assurance did Jesus give to Martha regarding the resurrection from the dead and how did Martha respond? John 11:23-27

C. Our resurrected bodies

1. 1 Corinthians 15:35-43 How will our resurrected bodies be different from our present bodies?
2. Philippians 3:20-21 What was the "glorious body" of Jesus like after His resurrection? (Luke 24:36-43, John 20:27, etc.)
3. What are your thoughts about having a glorified body with no more sickness or limitations?

D. The gift of immortality

1. When do the redeemed receive the gift of immortality? 1 Corinthians 15:51-57
2. In the light of our glorious destiny, what appeal did Paul make to Timothy? 1 Timothy 6:11-16

E. Two resurrections

1. Jesus taught that there will be two resurrections from the dead. John 5:28-29
2. What happens to those who are raised in the resurrection of condemnation? Revelation 20:4-9
3. How can we avoid the tragic end of those who are raised in the resurrection of condemnation? John 3:16, 2 Peter 3:9, Romans 10:13, etc.