

EVERYTHING YOU WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT THE RESURRECTION: JESUS, BELIEVERS, AND UNBELIEVERS

1. Historical and Biblical Context

- A. Abraham's knowledge of resurrection.
 - **Hebrews 11:17–19**: Abraham's faith in God's power to resurrect, as demonstrated by his willingness to sacrifice Isaac.
- B. Prophets' preaching on resurrection.
 - **Ezekiel 37:12–14**: Prophecy of Israel's restoration as a metaphor for resurrection.
- C. Biblical calendar and timing of Jesus' resurrection.
 - Resurrection date calculations based on the biblical calendar.

2. Events Between Death and Resurrection of Jesus

- A. Activities in the first 24 hours.
 - **Hebrews 9:11–12**: Jesus entered the Heavenly Tabernacle as the high priest.
- B. **Connected with the Thief on the Cross**
 - **Luke 23:42–43**: Today you will see me in Paradise
- C. **Proclamation to the disobedient angels.**
 - **1 Peter 3:18–22**: Jesus' proclamation to the spirits in prison.
 - Misunderstanding clarified: Not human hell but Tartarus (angel hell) mentioned in **2 Peter 2:4**.

3. Physical Aspects and Actions of Jesus' Resurrection

- A. Physical changes and significance of the resurrection body.
 - **Psalms 16:10**: Prophecy that Jesus' body would not decay.
 - **John 20:6–7**: The folding of Jesus' face-cloth in the tomb.

4. Jesus' Resurrection as the First Fruits

- A. Israelite Festivals (Lev 23) and comparison with previous resurrections.
 - Several individuals resurrected by Jesus and prophets, but with their previous, earthly bodies.
- B. A Special Group Following after Jesus' Resurrection'
 - **Matthew 27:50-53**
- C. Unique Features of Jesus' Resurrection Body.
 - **John 2:19–21**: It looks like his previous body. It was recognizable.
 - **Luke 24:39–43**: It was not a spirit only body, it was physical. It was flesh and bone and He ate
 - **Revelation 1:17–20**: Jesus' resurrected body that cannot perish.
 - **John 20:24–27, Revelation 5:6**: Jesus' resurrected body bears scars.
 - **John 20:11-18, Luke 24:31, John 20:19** - Limitations of the physical world removed (space and time)

5. The Believer's Resurrected Body

- A. God will make our new bodies (2 Corinthians 5:1)

- B. Our resurrected body will be like Christ's resurrected body (Philippians 3:20–21, 1 John 3:2–3, 1 Corinthians 15:45–49)
- C. Our resurrected body is imperishable - it can't be corrupted and die (1 Corinthians 15:42)
- D. Our resurrected body will never fail to glorify the Lord (1 Corinthians 15:43)
- E. Our resurrected body will not be weak but strong (not only strength, but resistance to disease) (1 Corinthians 15:43b)
- F. Our resurrected bodies will no longer be our former natural bodies but spiritual bodies (1 Corinthians 15:44, Luke 20:34-36, Job 19:25–27)
- G. Our resurrected bodies change our earthly relationships, we are brothers and sisters in Christ and are complete in Christ not requiring a partner. Our relationships are spiritual not physical. (Luke 20:34-36)
- H. Our resurrected bodies will be immortal. The contrast is that our current bodies have an expiration date, everyone's life has a limited number of years. (Job 14:5, 1 Corinthians 15:50–53, Revelation 20:6)
- I. There is an elevation in role for service (1 Corinthians 6:3, Daniel 12:3, Revelation 20:6)
- J. Our identities remain with our resurrected bodies (Matthew 22:31–32)
- K. We get our resurrected bodies at the time of the rapture as do all believers up to this point (1 Corinthians 15:51–57, 1 Thessalonians 4:13–18, Isaiah 26:19)
- L. We will participate in several events with our resurrected bodies:
 - Judgment seat of Christ (2 Corinthians 5:10, Romans 14:10)
 - Marriage Supper of the Lamb (Revelation 19:9)
 - Co-Reign with Christ for 1000 years (Revelation 20:4–6)
 - Attend the Great white throne judgment (Revelation 20:11–15)
 - Worship and fellowship in the new heavens and new earth (Revelation 21-22)
- M. Our resurrected bodies are able to eat and drink but it is not necessary (Revelation 22:1–2)
- N. We will fellowship, serve and see God face to face (Revelation 22:3–4)
- O. After the great white throne judgment, the world as we knew it and the sorrow within it will be gone. (Revelation 21:3–4)

6. The Unbeliever's Fate

- A. All unbelievers remain in hades suffering without a resurrected bodies and are able to experience suffering (Luke 16:19–31, Psalm 31:17)
- B. All Unbelievers are resurrected for the Great White Throne Judgment. This is when they will get an eternal body (Daniel 12:2, John 5:28–29, Acts 24:14–15, Revelation 20:5, 11–15)
- C. Unbelievers are given a body that will suffer eternally (Matthew 10:28, Revelation 19:20, 2 Thessalonians 1:9-10)

7. Conclusion

- A. Importance of viewing the lost with compassion and urgency.
- B. Encouragement in faith and evangelism, highlighted by **1 Corinthians 15:58**.