

The Resurrection

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Acts 2:24:

“God raised Christ up, having freed him from death, because it was impossible for him to be held by it’s power.”

1 Corinthians 15:1-8

Let me now remind you, dear brothers and sisters, of the Good News I preached to you before. I passed on to you what was most important... Christ died for our sins, just as the Scriptures said. He was buried and he was raised from the dead on the third day... He was seen by Peter, then by the Twelve. After that he was seen by more than 500 of his followers at one time, most of whom are still alive... Then he was seen by James and later by all the apostles. Last of all... I also saw him.

1 Corinthians 15:14:

... if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is useless and your faith is useless.

1 Corinthians 15:20, 22

20) in fact, Christ has been raised from the dead. He is the first of a great harvest of all who have died.

22) Everyone who belongs to Christ will be given new life... they will be raised...

2 Corinthians 5:1-8:

For we know that when this earthly tent is taken down, that is, when we die and leave this earthly body, we will have a house in heaven, an eternal body made for us by God himself, and not by human hands. We grow weary in our present bodies and we long to put on our heavenly bodies like new clothing. For we will put on heavenly bodies; we will not be spirits without bodies. While we live in these earthly bodies, we groan and sigh, but it’s not that we want to die and get rid of these bodies that clothe us. Rather we want to put on our new bodies so that these dying bodies will be swallowed up by life. God himself has prepared us for this, and as a guarantee he has given us His Holy Spirit. So we are always confident, even though we know that as long as we live in these bodies we are not at home with the Lord... Yes, we are fully confident. We would rather be away from these earthly bodies, for then we will be at home with the Lord.