

ORDER OF SERVICE		January 24, 2021	The Result of the Resurrection is ACCESSIBLE	1 Cor. 15:47-57
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Resurrection			The Power of the Resurrection is LIFE-CHANGING	1 Cor. 15:58 1 Peter 1:3-4
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Life Change: We have a living hope in the reality of resurrection and live accordingly.				
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The Fact of the Resurrection is RELIABLE		1 Cor. 15:3-8	“The resurrection is more than just a historical event that one accepts on rational or historical grounds. It does not stop there. The practical outworkings of this foundational tenet are numerous and cover virtually every aspect of theology as well as the everyday features in the life of the believer. “ - Benjamin Shaw & Gary Habermas, <i>The Resurrection of Jesus Christ as Christianity’s Centerpiece</i>	
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WONDERFUL WORDS

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THE WALKING DEAD



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Ezekial 37

¹³ You will know that I am the LORD, my people, when I open your graves and bring you up from them. ¹⁴ I will put my Spirit in you, and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I am the LORD. I have spoken, and I will do it. This is the declaration of the LORD.'"

Isaiah 26:19

Your dead will live; their bodies will rise.
Awake and sing, you who dwell in the dust!
For you will be covered with the morning dew,
and the earth will bring out the departed spirits.

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“...if a first-century Jew said that someone had been “raised from the dead,” the one thing they did *not* mean was that such a person had gone to a state of disembodied bliss, there either to rest forever or to wait until the great day of reembodiment.

Resurrection meant embodiment; further, *it implied that the new age had dawned...* Nobody suggested that the new age had dawned—except, of course, the Christians...”

-N.T. Wright, *Christian Origins and the Resurrection of Jesus: The Resurrection of Jesus as a Historical Problem*

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The *Fact* of the Resurrection is RELIABLE

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-1 Corinthians 15:6



1 Corinthians 15

³ For I passed on to you as most important what I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵ and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the Twelve. ⁶ Then he appeared to **over five hundred brothers and sisters at one time; most of them are still alive**, but some have fallen asleep. ⁷ Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸ Last of all, as to one born at the wrong time, he also appeared to me.

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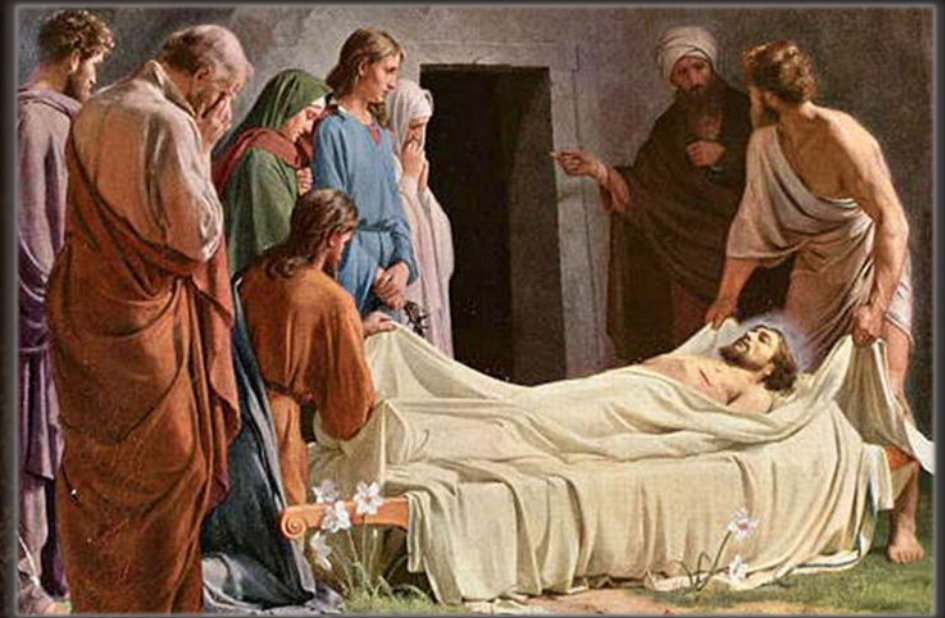
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Mihaly Munkacsy's 1884 "Christ On The Cross."

"It is impossible that a being who had stolen half-dead out of the sepulchre, who crept about weak and ill, wanting medical treatment...could have given to the disciples the impression that he was a conqueror over death and the grave...Such a resuscitation could only have weakened the impression which he had made upon them in life and in death... but could by no possibility have changed their sorrow into enthusiasm, have elevated their reverence into worship."

-David Strauss, New Life of Jesus

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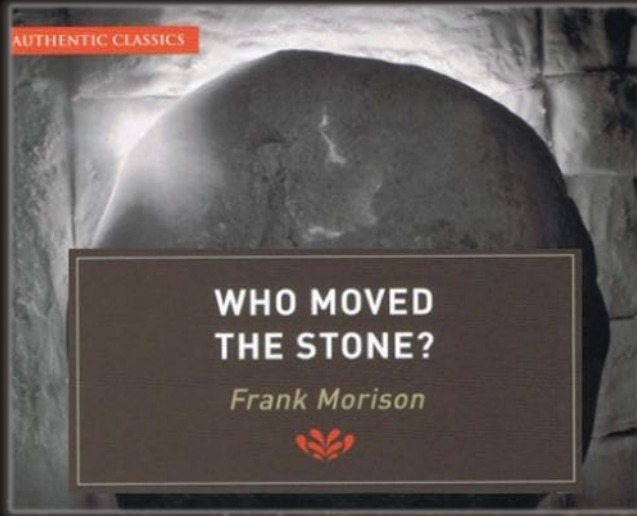


"He Is Risen" by Greg Olsen

John 20

¹¹ Now Mary stood outside the tomb crying. As she wept, she bent over to look into the tomb ¹² and saw two angels in white, seated where Jesus' body had been, one at the head and the other at the foot. ¹³ They asked her, "Woman, why are you crying?" "They have taken my Lord away," she said, "and I don't know where they have put him." ¹⁴ At this, she turned around and saw Jesus standing there, but she did not realize that it was Jesus. ¹⁵ He asked her, "Woman, why are you crying? Who is it you are looking for?" Thinking he was the gardener, she said, "Sir, if you have carried him away, tell me where you have put him, and I will get him."

Who Moved The Stone?



Albert Henry Ross/ aka Frank Morison

"I owe Morison a great debt of gratitude. *Who Moved the Stone?* was an important early link in a long chain of evidence that God used to bring me into his kingdom. Morison's stirring intellectual exploration of the historical record proved to be an excellent starting point for my spiritual investigation."

-Lee Strobel, author of *The Case for Christ* and many other apologetic works.

“Whoever comes to this problem has sooner or later to confront a fact that cannot be explained away or removed by any logical processes whatever. This fact is... a profound conviction came to the little group of people...— a change that attests to the fact that Jesus had risen from the grave...the whole party, including the nine men who fled at the arrest, and certain independent persons who have not previously come into the story, were convinced that something had occurred that changed their entire outlook...

The phenomenon that here confronts us is one of the biggest dislodgments of events in the world's history, and it can be accounted for only by an initial impact of colossal drive and power. Yet the original material from which we have to derive this dynamic force consists of a habitual doubter like Thomas, a rather weak fisherman like Peter, a gentle dreamer like John, a practical tax gatherer like Matthew, a few seafaring men like Andrew and Nathanael, the inevitable women, and at most two or three others.

...seriously, does this rather heterogeneous body of simple folk, reeling under the shock of the Crucifixion, the utter degradation and death of their Leader, look like the driving force we require? Frankly it does not, and the more we think of it disintegrating under the crisis, the less can we imagine it rewelding into that molten focus that achieved those results. Yet the clear evidence of history is that it did. Something came into the lives of these very simple and ordinary people that transformed them..."

-Frank Morison, Who Moved The Stone?

Acts 4

While they were speaking to the people, the priests, the captain of the temple police, and the Sadducees confronted them, ² because they were annoyed that they were teaching the people and proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection of the dead. ³ So they seized them and took them into custody until the next day since it was already evening. ⁴ But many of those who heard the message believed, and the number of the men came to about five thousand.

³³ With great power the apostles were giving testimony to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus, and great grace was on all of them.

“...from the very beginning Christian re-use of resurrection language is astonishingly free of vague and generalized speculation. It is crisp and clear: resurrection means going through death and out the other side into a new mode of existence. This whole position is comprehensible only within the thought-world of Judaism, but it is much more precise than anything that non-Christian Judaism had at that stage produced.

If therefore at any time in this period you had said to a Jew, “The resurrection has occurred!” you would have received the puzzled (or irritated) response that it obviously had not, since the patriarchs, prophets, and martyrs were not walking around alive again, and since the restoration spoken of in Ezekiel 37 clearly had not occurred either—not to mention the great prophecies of Isaiah and the rest.”

-N.T. Wright, Christian Origins and the Resurrection of Jesus: The Resurrection of Jesus as a Historical Problem

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The *Doctrine* of the Resurrection is ESSENTIAL

“I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me, even if he dies, will live.”

-*Jesus* (John 11:25)



The Road to Emmaus by Robert Zund

“Christianity began as a resurrection movement...It was the central driving force, informing the whole movement. In particular, we can see woven into the earliest Christian theology we possess—that of Paul, of course—the belief that the resurrection had in principle occurred and that the followers of Jesus had to reorder their lives, their narratives, their symbols, and their praxis accordingly .”

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1 Corinthians 15

¹² Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say, “There is no resurrection of the dead”? ¹³ If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised; ¹⁴ and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation is in vain, and so is your faith. ¹⁵ Moreover, we are found to be false witnesses about God, because we have testified wrongly about God that he raised up Christ—whom he did not raise up, 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.

1 Corinthians 15

¹⁸ Those, then, who have fallen asleep in Christ have also perished. ¹⁹ If we have put our hope in Christ for this life only, we should be pitied more than anyone. ²⁰ But as it is, Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹ For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead also comes through a man. ²² For just as in Adam all die, so also in Christ all will be made alive.

Romans 4

²¹ because he (Abraham) was fully convinced that what God had promised, he was also able to do. ²² Therefore, **it was credited to him for righteousness.** ²³ Now **it was credited to him** was not written for Abraham alone, ²⁴ but also for us. It will be credited to us who believe in him *who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead.* ²⁵ He was delivered up for our trespasses and ***raised for our justification.***

Ephesians 1

¹⁸ I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened so that you may know what is the hope of his calling, what is the wealth of his glorious inheritance in the saints, ¹⁹ and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power toward us who believe, according to the mighty working of his strength.

Ephesians 1

²⁰ He exercised this power in Christ by raising him from the dead and seating him at his right hand in the heavens— ²¹ far above every ruler and authority, power and dominion, and every title given, not only in this age but also in the one to come. ²² And **he subjected everything under his feet** and appointed him as head over everything for the church, ²³ which is his body, the fullness of the one who fills all things in every way.

1 Corinthians 15:17

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Acts 2

²² “Fellow Israelites, listen to these words: This Jesus of Nazareth was a man attested to you by God with miracles, wonders, and signs that God did among you through him, just as you yourselves know. ²³ Though he was delivered up according to God’s determined plan and foreknowledge, you used lawless people to nail him to a cross and kill him. ²⁴ God raised him up, ending the pains of death, because it was not possible for him to be held by death. ²⁵ For David says of him:

Acts 2

I saw the Lord ever before me; because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken. ²⁶ Therefore my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices. Moreover, my flesh will rest in hope, ²⁷ because you will not abandon me in Hades or allow your holy one to see decay.

²⁸ You have revealed the paths of life to me; you will fill me with gladness in your presence. (Psalm 16)

²⁹ “Brothers and sisters, I can confidently speak to you about the patriarch David: He is both dead and buried, and his tomb is with us to this day.

Acts 2

³⁰ Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn an oath to him to seat one of his descendants on his throne. ³¹ Seeing what was to come, he spoke concerning the resurrection of the Messiah: He was not abandoned in Hades, and his flesh did not experience decay.

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³³ *Therefore, since he has been exalted to the right hand of God and has received from the Father the promised Holy Spirit, he has poured out what you both see and hear.*

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The *Result* of the Resurrection is ACCESSIBLE

“Because I live,
you will live too.”
-*Jesus* (John 14:19)



Christ's Charge to Peter by Raphael

“The New Testament writers speak as if Christ’s achievement in rising from the dead was the first event of its kind in the whole history of the universe. He is the ‘first fruits’, the ‘pioneer of life’. He has forced open a door that has been locked since the death of the first man. He has met, fought, and beaten the King of Death. Everything is different because He has done so. This is the beginning of the New Creation: a new chapter in cosmic history has opened.”

-C.S. Lewis, Miracles

John 14

¹⁹ In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me. *Because I live, you will live too.* ²⁰ On that day you will know that I am in my Father, you are in me, and I am in you.

Romans 8

¹¹ And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead lives in you, then he who raised Christ from the dead will also bring your mortal bodies to life through his Spirit who lives in you.

1 Corinthians 15

⁴⁷ The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. ⁴⁸ Like the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; like the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. ⁴⁹ And just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

⁵⁰ What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: Flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor can corruption inherit incorruption.

1 Corinthians 15

⁵¹ Listen, I am telling you a mystery: We will not all fall asleep, but we will all be changed, ⁵² in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we will be changed. ⁵³ For this corruptible body must be clothed with incorruptibility, and this mortal body must be clothed with immortality.

1 Corinthians 15

⁵⁴ When this corruptible body is clothed with incorruptibility, and this mortal body is clothed with immortality, then the saying that is written will take place:

Death has been swallowed up in victory.

⁵⁵ **Where, death, is your victory?**

Where, death, is your sting?

⁵⁶ The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. ⁵⁷ But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!

1 Corinthians 15

⁵⁸ *Therefore*, my dear brothers and sisters, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the Lord's work, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

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The *Power* of the Resurrection is LIFE-CHANGING

So, you too consider
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-Romans 6:11



The Conversion of St. Paul by Aelbert Cuyp

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Romans 6

⁴ Therefore we were buried with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too may walk in newness of life. ⁵ For if we have been united with him in the likeness of his death, we will certainly also be in the likeness of his resurrection. ⁶ For we know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body ruled by sin might be rendered powerless so that we may no longer be enslaved to sin, ⁷ since a person who has died is freed from sin.

Romans 6

⁸ Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him, ⁹ because we know that Christ, having been raised from the dead, will not die again. Death no longer rules over him. ¹⁰ For the death he died, he died to sin once for all time; but the life he lives, he lives to God. ¹¹ So, you too consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

1 Peter 1

³Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Because of his great mercy he has given us new birth into a *living hope* through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead ⁴ and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you.

1 Peter 1

²¹ Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

²² Since you have purified yourselves by your obedience to the truth, so that you show sincere brotherly love for each other, from a pure heart love one another constantly, ²³ because you have been born again—not of perishable seed but of imperishable—through the living and enduring word of God.

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Essential Doctrine

Accessible Results

Life-Changing Power!

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