
WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES THE RESURRECTION MAKE ANYWAY?

(1 Corinthians 15:12-19)

Central Idea: *The resurrection of Christ and our resurrection as believers are inseparably linked – you can't have one without the other.*

I. The Challenge to the Resurrection (12-13)

- Generally
- Specifically

II. The Consequences of No Resurrection (14-19)

- Christ would not be risen (13, 16)
- Our preaching of the gospel would be meaningless (14a)
- Our faith in Christ would be worthless (14b)
- We would be liars (15-16)

- We would be lost in our sins (17)
- Dead believers would have perished (18)
- We would be the most pitiable people on earth (19)

III. The Change the Resurrection Makes

Questions for Personal Reflection or Group Discussion

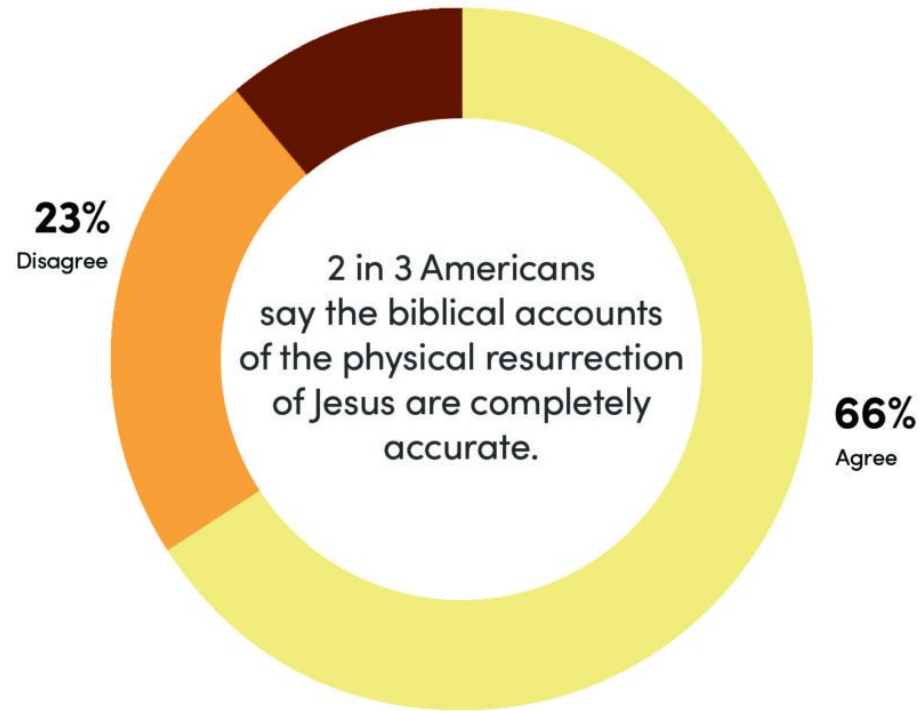
Consider the bodily resurrections recorded in the Bible. Other than the resurrection of Jesus, there are nine resurrections. Read each passage. What difference does each resurrection make? How do people respond?

1. Elijah raised the son of the Zarephath widow (1 Kings 17:17-22)
2. Elisha raised the son of the Shunammite woman (2 Kings 4:32-35)
3. A man was raised when his body touched Elisha's bones (2 Kings 13:20, 21)
4. Jesus raised the son of the widow of Nain (Luke 7:11-15)
5. Jesus raised the daughter of Jairus (Luke 8:41, 42, 49-55)
6. Jesus raised Lazarus (John 11:1-44)
7. Many saints rose again at the resurrection of Jesus (Matt. 27:50-53)
8. Peter raised Dorcas (Acts 9:36-41)
9. Eutychus was raised by Paul (Acts 20:9, 10)

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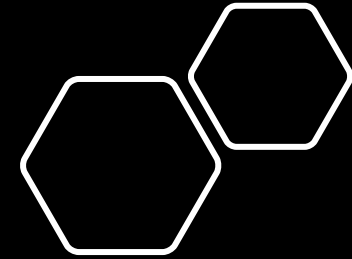
Most believe Jesus' resurrection happened as described in the Bible.

Among U.S. adults



Note: 11% aren't sure.

Lifeway research



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