

DID JESUS RISE FROM THE DEAD?

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- **The Sentimentalist:**
- **The I'm A Spiritual Person:**
- **The Cynic:**
- **The Believer:**

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**OUR STARTING POINT IS:
WHAT IS RESURRECTION?
What do we even mean by the
resurrection of Jesus?**

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The Resurrection of Jesus is NOT:

- Reincarnation
- Resuscitation
- The Resurrection of Jesus

Jesus body was dead, was raised up again to new life, never to die again.

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DID THEY BELIEVE JESUS ROSE FROM THE DEAD?

All four gospels record Jesus resurrection:

(the accounts are complementary NOT contradictory)

- Matthew 28
- Mark 16
- Luke 24
- John 20-21

Acts 1:1-3 Early Church



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“In my first book I told you, Theophilus, about everything Jesus began to do and teach until the day he was taken up to heaven after giving his chosen apostles further instructions through the Holy Spirit. During the forty days after he suffered and died, he appeared to the apostles from time to time, and he proved to them in many ways that he was actually alive. And he talked to them about the Kingdom of God.” Acts 1:1-3

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***WHAT EVIDENCE IS THERE FOR THE
RESURRECTION?***

***UK survey in 2022 45% of the population were
willing say they believe in the resurrection.***

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VIDEO CLIP:

*4 proofs of the Resurrection –
Lee Strobel from The Case for Christ*
<https://youtu.be/FT4Cj-Pi4m0>

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- 2. Early accounts for the Resurrection*

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THE DIGITAL DEAD SEA SCROLLS

- The Dead Sea Scrolls
- The Discovery of the Scrolls**
- The Qumran Library
- A Wandering Bible: The Aleppo Codex



Discovery of the Scrolls

<https://www.imj.org.il/en/wings/shrine-book/dead-sea-scrolls>

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1. *Jesus was dead - Jesus' death & burial*
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VIDEO CLIP: Stolen Body theory

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DSnay0Qe4Pw>

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1. *Jesus was dead - Jesus' death & burial*
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3. *The empty tomb*
4. *Eyewitness accounts – how did the tomb get empty?*

Couldn't The Resurrection Story Be A Conspiracy?

<https://youtu.be/oem6hxZBu3E> 3 minute video

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EYEWITNESS ACCOUNTS – POST RESURRECTION APPEARANCES

- *Mary Magdalene, Mary (Jesus mother) & Salome (Mark), Joanna (Luke)*
- *Road to Emmaus*
- *11 Disciples*
- *7 Disciples*
- *Peter*
- *John*
- *Roman guards*
- *500+ people*

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1 Cor 15:5-8

“He was seen by Peter and 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, though some have died. Then he was seen by James and later by all the apostles. Last of all, as though I had been born at the wrong time, I also saw him.”

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Handout/Notes available for further research

- What are the proofs for the resurrection of Jesus? Dr. Theodore Cabal 5 min video <https://youtu.be/Je9II5jPTnQ>
- Lee Strobel former Chicago Tribune reporter and skeptic Testimony 30 minutes https://youtu.be/_N-K45SaFII
- The Case for the Resurrection of Christ 46 minute video https://youtu.be/Z5wKYcK_kUs
- Lee Strobel Why do we believe in The Resurrection 38 minutes <https://youtu.be/dTBuxSNcseU>
- Gary Habermas Distinguished Professor of Apologetics and Philosophy 36 minutes <https://youtu.be/kWSG5okmUr8>

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***WHY DOES THE RESURRECTION
OF JESUS MATTER?***

***THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS PROVES
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Romans 1:1-4

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Romans 1:1-4 "This letter is from Paul, a slave of Christ Jesus, chosen by God to be an apostle and sent out to preach his Good News. God promised this Good News long ago through his prophets in the holy Scriptures. The Good News is about his Son. In his earthly life he was born into King David's family line, and he was shown to be the Son of God when he was raised from the dead by the power of the Holy Spirit. He is Jesus Christ our Lord."

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SO WHAT?

“Christianity, if false, is of no importance, and if true, of infinite importance, the only thing it cannot be is moderately important.”

C.S. Lewis



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THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS IS THE EVIDENCE AND HOPE OF SALVATION

- **1 Corinthians 15:3-4**
- **1 Corinthians 15:14-19**

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1 Corinthians 15:3-4, 1 Corinthians 15:14-19 “...if Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain and your faith is in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified about God that he raised Christ, whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ has been raised.”

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WHY IS THIS IMPORTANT?

It is the evidence, the proof of forgiveness

- *Christ's resurrection serves as a sort of "receipt" from God to prove that our sins can be forgiven.*
- *Issuing a receipt was God's idea. Romans 4:25 "He was handed over to die because of our sins, and he was raised to life to make us right with God."*

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***THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS
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Romans 8:18-25

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**THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS POINTS TO A
LIFE AFTER LIFE. Romans 8:18-25**

*“21...the creation looks forward to the day when it will
join God’s children in glorious freedom from death and
decay...”*

*24 for we long for our bodies to be released from sin and
suffering. We, too, wait with eager hope for the day when
God will give us our full rights as his adopted children,
including the new bodies he has promised us.”*

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WHAT SHOULD YOU DO IN RESPONSE?

REPENT Mark 1:15 - 22 times used in NT.

“The time promised by God has come at last!” he announced. “The Kingdom of God is near! Repent of your sins and believe the Good News!”

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- *Repent = a change of mind about ourselves and God which leads to a change of action and direction.*
- *Show the fruits of repentance Matt 3:8*
“Prove by the way you live that you have repented of your sins and turned to God.”

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REPENT & BELIEVE

Rom 10:9

“If you openly declare that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.”

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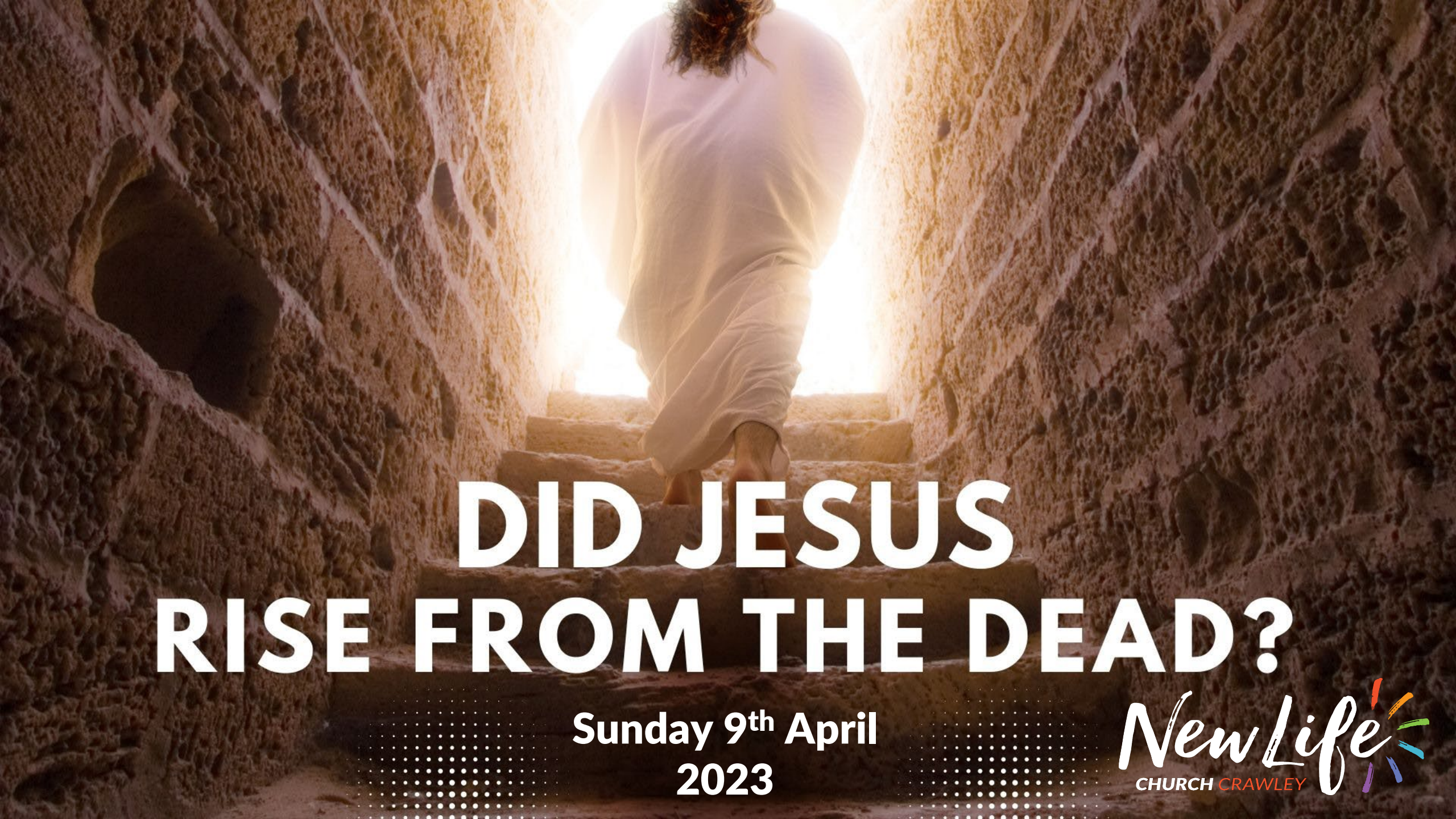


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PRAYER –

Sorry, Thank You, Please.



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