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THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST

“Then He said to them, ‘Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day.’” (Luke 24:46)

Objectives

<i>Knowledge of God’s Will</i>	Jesus Christ has risen from the dead. The resurrection is the fulfillment of salvation.
<i>Knowledge of God</i>	Jesus is the resurrection and the life. Jesus Christ is able to deliver us from eternal condemnation. God gives us the hope of everlasting life.
<i>Good Work</i>	Live a new life of righteousness. Live not for us, but for the Lord. Work for Him with diligence.

A. Jesus Rises from the Dead (Lk 24:1–12)

The Lord’s death is not a tragic ending, but the accomplishment of God’s redemptive plan. But what is the significance of His resurrection?

- His resurrection means that Jesus Christ is alive, and rules His kingdom (Ps 22:28).
- The Lord later chided the disciples for their disbelief when hearing the women’s testimony.
- His resurrection is for our justification (Rom 4:25). Death has been conquered.
- His resurrection offers us meaning and hope, even in times of tribulation (1 Pet 1:3).

B. Jesus Appears to Two Disciples on the Road (Lk 24:13–35)

- Having the knowledge of Jesus Christ and accepting Him are two completely different things. We need Jesus to open our eyes spiritually.
- The disciples had to study, understand, and trust the Scriptures before their eyes were opened. We have never physically seen Jesus as His disciples did, but the whole Bible—both the Old and New Testaments—has been given to us as a witness of Him and for Him.

C. Jesus Appears to His Disciples (Lk 24:36–49)

- The peace from God calms our hearts and frees us from anxiety and fear. The disciples were troubled because of their doubts, so Jesus gave them peace by removing those doubts.
- Jesus ate in front of them, proving that He had truly returned from the dead.
- Our knowledge of Jesus Christ should not be built only on our experiences of healings or other miracles, but also on the teachings of the Scriptures. We need to ask God to reveal His will to us so that we can understand the mysteries of God in His word and come to a living faith in Christ.

Life Application

- To preach the gospel, we first need to understand the Scriptures that contain the salvation of Jesus Christ. Second, we need the “power from on high,” which is the power of the Holy Spirit.

D. Jesus Ascends to Heaven (Lk 24:50–53)

Parting with loved ones normally involves tears and sadness. However, Jesus’ disciples returned to Jerusalem “with great joy” because they now understood that God’s great plan had been fulfilled.

Life Application

- Even though He has ascended to heaven, Jesus is our comforter, our healer, and strong tower and refuge. Has the resurrection of Jesus Christ brought joy into your life?

