

# THE GREAT RESTORATION



"Early on Sunday morning, as the new day was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went out to see the tomb. Suddenly there was an earthquake when an angel moved the giant stone away from the opening of the tomb and then sat on the stone! The angel's face shone like lightning, and his clothes were brilliant white. When the Roman guards saw this happen, they shook with fear and fainted!



"Don't be afraid! I know you're looking for Jesus, who was crucified. But HE ISN'T HERE!! He has been raised from the dead, just as he said would happen! So, come and see for yourselves, that there's nobody in this tomb!"



"Now, go quickly and tell his followers that Jesus has raised from the dead, that he's headed to Galilee, and that he will see all of you there!"

So the women ran quickly from the tomb. They were scared, but also filled with great joy, and they rushed to give the angel's message to the disciples"



But as they were going, they ran into Jesus!

"Good Morning!" said Jesus. The women came close to him, and they touched his body and they

worshiped him! Then Jesus said to them,

"Don't be afraid! Go tell my brothers

to leave for Galilee, and they

will see me there."





After his death, he presented himself alive to them in many different settings over a period of forty days. In face-to-face meetings, he talked to them about things concerning the kingdom of God.

Acts of the Apostles Chapter 1 verse 3

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Christ died for our sins, just as the Scriptures said.<sup>4</sup> He was buried, and he was raised from the dead on the third day, just as the Scriptures said.

1 Corinthians 15:3,4

He was seen by Peter and then by the Twelve.<sup>6</sup> 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.<sup>7</sup> Then he was seen by James and later by all the apostles.

I Corinthians 5-7

"Last of all, as though I had been born at the wrong time, I also saw him.<sup>9</sup> For I am the least of all the apostles. In fact, I'm not even worthy to be called an apostle after the way I persecuted God's church.

I Corinthians 15:8,9



Why is the resurrection  
important?

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important?

Because it proves  
that Jesus Christ  
is telling the truth!

A portrait photograph of Walter Martin, a middle-aged man with short brown hair, wearing a dark suit jacket, a white shirt, and a dark red tie. He is smiling and looking directly at the camera.

When people say, 'I believe in Jesus',  
look them straight in the eye and  
ask, 'Which one?'

— *Walter Martin* —

“Can you give me one reason  
then why I should listen  
to you instead of Jesus ?



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Then the high priest said to him, "I demand in the name of the living God—tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God." <sup>64</sup> Jesus replied, "You have said it. And in the future you will see the Son of Man seated in the place of power at God's right hand and coming on the clouds of heaven."

<sup>65</sup> Then the high priest tore his clothing to show his horror and said, "Blasphemy! Why do we need other witnesses? You have all heard his blasphemy. <sup>66</sup> What is your verdict?" "Guilty!" they shouted. "He deserves to die!" Matthew 26:63-65

Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and  
the life. No one can come to the Father  
except through me.                    John 14:6

No one can take my life from me. I sacrifice it voluntarily. For I have the authority to lay it down when I want to and also to take it up again. For this is what my Father has commanded." John 10:18

"Now My soul is troubled and distressed.  
And what shall I say? Father save Me  
from this hour of trial and agony?  
But it was for this very purpose that  
I have come to this hour."

John 12:27

Then Jesus began to tell them that the Son of Man must suffer many terrible things and be rejected by the elders, the leading priests, and the teachers of religious law. He would be killed, but three days later he would rise from the dead. Mark 8:31

"When we were utterly helpless Christ came  
at just the right time and died for us  
sinners."      Romans 5:6

But God showed his great love for us by  
sending Christ to die for us while we were  
still sinners.

Romans 5:8

For God made Christ, who never sinned,  
to be the offering for our sin, so that we could  
be made right with God through Christ.

2 Corinthians 5:21



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"And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins.

<sup>18</sup> Then those also who have died in Christ are lost. If we as Christians have a hope only for this life, we are of all people most miserable."

I Corinthians 15:17-19







Peter 1:3 says,  
“We are born again into hope.”

For the wages of sin is  
death, but the gift of God is  
eternal life in Christ Jesus  
our Lord. Romans 6:23

In the past you were spiritually  
dead because of your  
disobedience and sins.

Ephesians 2:1

**Isaiah 53:5**, But he was pierced for our transgressions, he was crushed for our iniquities; the punishment that brought us peace was on him, ...    verse 8 "He was cut off from the land of the living ..."

<sup>47</sup> So the Pharisees and the chief priests met with the Council and said,

*"What shall we do? Look at all the miracles this man is performing!"*

*"If we let him go on in this way, everyone will believe in him..."*

*John 11:47,48*

From that day on the Jewish authorities made plans to kill Jesus. John 11:53

John 12:47, Jesus said

*"I have come to save the world  
and not to judge it."*

James 2:13

*"Mercy triumphs over judgment.*



*"I am the resurrection and the life! Whoever believes in me, even though he dies, will live again!"*

*John 11:25*



You will seek Me and  
find *Me* when you search for  
Me with all your heart.

Jeremiah 29:13





