

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ

Luke 23:50-24:12

The Evidence

Jesus burial and resurrection according to the Holy Scriptures:

- 1) Burial of Jesus. Matthew 27:57-60; Mark 15:42-46; Luke 23:50-54; John 19:31-42.
- 2) The women witness the location of the tomb, and the tomb is sealed and guarded. Matthew 27:61-66; Mark 15:47; Luke 23:55-56.
- 3) The women buy spices and visit the closed tomb. Matthew 28:1; Mark 16:1.
- 4) An angel opens the tomb, and the guards are stunned. Matthew 28:2-4.
- 5) The women visit the tomb about sunrise. Matthew 28:5-8; Mark 16:2-8; Luke 24:1-8; John 20:1.
- 6) The women tell the Apostles about the empty tomb. Luke 24:9-12; John 20:2-10.
- 7) Jesus appears to Mary Magdalene and gives her a message for the disciples. Mark 16:9-11; John 20:11-18.
- 8) Jesus appears to the other women. Matthew 28:9-10.
- 9) The guards report to the Jewish leadership. Matthew 28:11-15.
- 10) Jesus appears to two disciples on the road to Emmaus. Mark 16:12-13; Luke 24:13-32.
- 11) The two disciples report to Simon Peter. Luke 24:33-35.
- 12) Jesus appears to many disciples in the upper room. Mark 16:14; Luke 24:36-43; John 20:19-25.
- 13) Jesus appears again to the disciples, this time with Thomas. John 20:26-31; 1 Corinthians 15:5.
- 14) Jesus appears to seven disciples at the sea of Galilee. John 21.
- 15) Jesus appears to many more disciples and gives a commission. Matthew 28:16-20; Mark 16:15-18; 1 Corinthians 15:6.
- 16) Jesus appears to the disciples with another commission. Luke 24:44-49; Acts 1:3-8.

17) Jesus makes his last appearance and his ascension. Mark 16:19-20; Luke 24:50-53; Acts 1:9-12.⁵

Other Evidences to consider:

- The actions of the early church to persevere in proclaiming the resurrection of Jesus Christ despite persecutions and even death. They had no worldly gain from holding to this teaching.
- The human obsession with death and the afterlife, including mythology, entertainment, and various religious expressions.
- The value placed on human life, but for secular people, the complete inability to explain a reason for that value.

The Significance

The Resurrection of Jesus Christ Confirms...

- His identity as the Son of God. Romans 1:4
- His righteous authority to Judge. Acts 17:30-31
- His sacrifice for our sins. Romans 4:24-25
- His victory over death. Acts 2:24; 1 Corinthians 15:54-57
- His power for us to live a new life. Romans 6:4; Galatians 2:20; John 11:25-26; Ephesians 1:18-21; Colossians 2:9-15; 3:1-4;

The Relevance

- Death is Defeated. 1 Corinthians 15:50-58.
- The Gospel is Glorious. John 3; Romans 8.

See Also: 1 Corinthians 15:1-8; Luke 9:22, 44, 18:31-34; Matthew 17:22-23, 20:19; Mark 9:30-31, 10:33-34;

Recommended Hymns:

“See, What a Morning” by Keith and Kristyn Getty,

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-LgE_E7yaz4

“Crown Him with Many Crowns” by Matthew Bridges, Godfrey Thring,

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YuMh_ept-Js

“The Wonderful Cross” by Isaac Watts, performed by Chris Tomlin,

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oaO3XOI8P6w>

⁵ Based on Robertson, A. T. *A Harmony of the Gospels*. Bellingham, WA: Logos Bible Software, 2009. Print.