

Resurrection, Not Recovery

Romans 6:3-5: Union with Christ

- “Baptized into Christ Jesus” – means openly identified with Him; truly become His disciple.
- “Have been baptized into His death, and burial –
- v. 5 – United in the likeness of His resurrection
- ***As Christ was raised... so we too might walk in newness of life.***

Jesus said...

- John 10:10 – *I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.*
- John 10:28 – *I give eternal life to them.*
- John 6:63 – *The words I have spoken to you are spirit and life.*
- John 5:40 – *Come to Me so that you may have life.*

1) Resurrection Defined

Means “to rise again from the dead.”

2) Recovery Options

- a) Replace
- b) Refocus
- c) Reprogram
- d) Resign

3) Jesus' Resurrection

- a) Followed Death – John 12:23-27

Luke 9:23 – *If anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself and take up His cross daily, and follow Me.*

- b) Return to the Same Circumstance – John 17:15-18

c) New Power – John 14:16-17

John 6:63 – *It is the Spirit who gives life; the flesh profits nothing. The words that I have spoken to you are spirit and are life.*

Romans 8:13 – *If you are living according to the flesh, you must die; but if by the Spirit you are putting to death the deeds of the body, you will live.*

d) New Identity - Phil 2:8-11

Romans 8:14-15 – *For all who are being led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. We have not received a spirit of slavery, leading to fear again, but we have received a spirit of adoption as sons...*

e) New Hope

John 14:2b-3 – *I go to prepare a place for you. If I go to prepare a place for you, then I will come again and receive you to Myself, that where I am, there you may be also.*

1) **Take Aways**a) **Receive from Jesus “the Resurrection”**

1 John 5:11-12 – *God has given us eternal life; and this life is in His Son. He who has the Son has the life; he who does not have the Son does not have the life.*

b) **Walk in Newness of Life**

1 Tim 6:12 – *“Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called. Fight the good fight every day...”*

c) **Sing the Song of the Resurrected**

Ps 66:16 – *Come and hear, all you who fear God, and I will tell what the Lord has done for MY soul!*

Praxis

1. Recovery is quite popular these days. How do people seek Recovery? In what ways is Resurrection different? How might you verbalize this to another?
2. Jesus would still be worthy of praise if He was resurrected, yet did not share His resurrection with us... But what would change for us in this case?
3. Why is important to understand that Resurrection brings “newness of life” back to your same ol’ circumstance?
4. What kind of things can you practically do to walk in “newness of life” each day? Consider how new power, identity, hope play out in Rom 6:6-14 and 8:5-11...
5. With whom might you share the joy of this Resurrection Life this week? Pray for the opportunity and boldness to do so.