

# The Resurrection

Christian Fundamentals | Part 4



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# Introduction

Jesus was crucified and buried in a tomb. He rose from the dead in His physical body on the third day and appeared to many witnesses before ascending into heaven. Salvation is received by confession and believing in the resurrection.

## Jesus was crucified upon a cross and buried in a tomb

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## Jesus died for ALL our sins

Jesus died for ALL our sins (Past, present and future), including the sins of the whole world.

*2 Corinthians 5:14 For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead: 15 And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them, and rose again.*

*Hebrews 10:12 But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice for sins for ever, sat down on the right hand of God*

*1 John 2:2 And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.*

He bore our sins in His own body. As death and judgment is a result of sin and Jesus lived a sinless life, death could not hold Him..

*1 Peter 2:21 For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps: 22 Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth: 23 Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed himself to him that judgeth righteously: 24 Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed. 25 For ye were as sheep going astray; but are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls.*

*Acts 2:24 Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.*

## He rose from the dead in His physical body

He rose from the dead in His physical body on the third day..

*Luke 24:39 Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.*

*John 2:19 Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up. 20 Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days? 21 But he spake of the temple of his body. 22 When*

*therefore he was risen from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this unto them; and they believed the scripture, and the word which Jesus had said.*

*See also [Matthew 28:1-8](#); [Mark 16:1-8](#); [Luke 24:1-12, 13:32](#); [John 20:25-29](#); [Acts 10:39-41](#); [1 Corinthians 15:1-4](#); [Revelation 1:18](#)*

Each member of the Godhead was involved in the resurrection: God the Father ([2 Corinthians 1:9](#); [1 Thessalonians 1:10](#); [Galatians 1:1](#)); the Son ([John 2:19-21](#)); and the Holy Spirit ([Romans 8:11](#)).

## He appeared to many witnesses

*Acts 1:3 To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God..*

*Acts 10:39 And we are witnesses of all things which he did both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew and hanged on a tree: 40 Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly; 41 Not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before of God, even to us, who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead.*

*See also [Matthew 28:9-20](#); [Mark 16:9-18](#); [Luke 24:13-49](#)*

## He ascended into heaven

*Luke 24:50 And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them. 51 And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven. 52 And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy: 53 And were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen.*

*John 3:13 And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven.*

*Acts 1:6 When they therefore were come together, they asked of him, saying, Lord, wilt thou at this time restore again the kingdom to Israel? 7 And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power. 8 But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth. 9 And when he had spoken these things, while they beheld, he was taken up; and a cloud received him out of their sight. 10 And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel; 11 Which also said, Ye men of Galilee, why stand ye gazing up into heaven? this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as ye have seen him go into heaven.*

*See also [Mark 16:19-20](#); [Ephesians 4:8-10](#)*

# Salvation is received by confession and believing in His resurrection

The resurrection of Christ is an integral component of the gospel because He overcame death (and now grants us eternal life). Without Christ's resurrection, no one else can be resurrected. It is the whole purpose for us having the Spirit because it is the Spirit that is going to glorify us at a point..

*Romans 8:11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.*

*Ephesians 4:30 And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.*

See also [John 6:39-40](#); [1 Corinthians 6:14](#); [2 Corinthians 4:14](#); [Ephesians 1:10-14](#)

Salvation is received by confession and believing in the resurrection:

*Romans 10:9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. 10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.*

To deny the physical resurrection is to deny Jesus' work, sacrifice, and our resurrection. If someone says that Jesus did not rise from the dead, then their faith is useless and they are still in their sins. [1 Corinthians 15:12-17](#)