## **The resurrection of the Messiah!!! April 20, 2025**

## ***1Cor 15:1 Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, 2 by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you–unless you believed in vain.***

## ***3 For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4 and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures,***

## ***5 and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. 6 After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep.***

## ***7 After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. 8 Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time.***

## **The importance of the resurrection.**



## **and can you believe the gospel without believing in the physical literal resurrection?**

## **The resurrection was not some invented doctrine by the church, the Jewish people held this as truth!**

## ***John 11:20 Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met Him, but Mary was sitting in the house. 21 Now Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died.***

## ***22 “But even now I know that whatever You ask of God, God will give You.” 23 Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.”***

## ***24 Martha said to Him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection at the last day.” 25 Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in Me, though he may die, he shall live.***

## ***Daniel 12:2 And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, Some to everlasting life, Some to shame and everlasting contempt.***

## **The Cross was where Messiah paid the penalty for OUR sin. The resurrection was the PROOF that He accomplished it!**



## **So, do you have to believe that He literally rose from the dead?**



## ***“I have friends who I am quite sure are Christians who do not believe in the bodily resurrection,” says the Right Reverend N. T. Wright, Bishop of Durham.***

## **https://albertmohler.com/2006/04/16/not-all-christians-believe-in-the-resurrection-of-christ/**

## **Others we may know don’t believe it either.**

## **WHAT DOES THE WORD OF GOD SAY?**

## ***1 Corinthians 15:12 Now if Christ is preached that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? 13 But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ is not risen. 14 And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty.***

## ***15 Yes, and we are found false witnesses of God, because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ, whom He did not raise up–if in fact the dead do not rise.***

## ***16 For if the dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen.***

## ***17 And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins! 18 Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished. 19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable.***

## **THE GOSPEL WITHOUT THE RESURRECTION!!!! IS A FALSE GOSPEL AND IS A VAIN BELIEF!**

## **It falls under the curse of God!**

## ***Galatians 1:6 I marvel that you are turning away so soon from Him who called you in the grace of Christ, to a different gospel, 7 which is not another; but there are some who trouble you and want to pervert the gospel of Christ.***

## ***8 But even if we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel to you than what we have preached to you, let him be accursed. 9 As we have said before, so now I say again, if anyone preaches any other gospel to you than what you have***

## ***received, let him be accursed.***

## ***Gal 1:11 But I make known to you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man. 12 For I neither received it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through the revelation of Jesus Christ.***

## **THE GOOD NEWS!!!!!**



## ***1 Cor 15:20 But now Christ is risen from the dead, and has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.***

## ***21 For since by man came death, by Man also came the resurrection of the dead.***

## ***22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive. 23 But each one in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, afterward those who are Christ’s at His coming.***

## **His coming?**



## **IN ADAM, ALL DIE**

## **IN CHRIST, ALL ARE MADE ALIVE!**

## ***1 Cor 15:47 The first man was of the earth, made of dust;***

## ***the second Man is the Lord from heaven. 48 As was the man of dust, so also are those who are made of dust; and as is the heavenly Man, so also are those who are heavenly. 49 And as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly Man.***

## **AND THEN…**

## ***1Cor 15:51 Behold, I tell you a mystery: We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed–***

## ***52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet.***



## ***For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.***



## ***1 Thess 4:16 For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 Then we who are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And thus we shall always be with the Lord. 18 Therefore comfort one another with these words.***

## **Caught up in the clouds?**

## **Meet the Lord in the air?**

## **Always be with the Lord?**

## ***John 14:1 “Let not your heart be troubled; you believe in God, believe also in Me. 2 “In My Father’s house are many mansions; if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.***



## ***3 “And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself;***



## ***that where I am, there you may be also.***

## **Where Is Christ now?**

## **The bridegroom comes suddenly for His bride…**

## ***1Cor 15:52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet.***



## **The bride is the church!!!!!!**

## ***Eph 5:27 that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.***

## ***Acts 1:9 Now when He had spoken these things, while they watched, He was taken up, and a cloud received Him out of their sight. 10 And while they looked steadfastly toward heaven as He went up, behold, two men stood by them in white apparel,***

## ***11 who also said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand gazing up into heaven? This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven.”***



## **The resurrected Jesus is coming for His Church:**

## ***John 14:3 “And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to* Myself; that where I am, there you may be also.**

## **and will also return to rule!**

## ***Acts 1:11 This same Jesus, who was taken up from you into heaven, will so come in like manner as you saw Him go into heaven.”***

## ***Rev 19:11 Now I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse. And He who sat on him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness He judges and makes war.***

## ***12 His eyes were like a flame of fire, and on His head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except Himself. 13 He was clothed with a robe dipped in blood, and His name is called The Word of God.***

