

## The Promise of Resurrection

The word Resurrection does not appear in the Old Testament and first occurs in the New Testament in Matthew 22:23 where the Sadducees asked Jesus a question:

Matt 22:23-33 (KJV)

- 23 The same day came to him the Sadducees, which say that there is no resurrection, and asked him,  
24 Saying, Master, Moses said, If a man die, having no children, his brother shall marry his wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.  
25 Now there were with us seven brethren: and the first, when he had married a wife, deceased, and, having no issue, left his wife unto his brother:  
26 Likewise the second also, and the third, unto the seventh.  
27 And last of all the woman died also.  
28 Therefore in the resurrection whose wife shall she be of the seven? for they all had her.  
29 Jesus answered and said unto them, Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God.  
30 For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in heaven.  
31 But as touching the resurrection of the dead, have ye not read that which was spoken unto you by God, saying,  
32 I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob? God is not the God of the dead, but of the living.  
33 And when the multitude heard this, they were astonished at his doctrine.

The Sadducees did not believe in the resurrection but the Pharisees did. The Pharisees tried to catch Jesus on another issue...

Matt 22:34-46 (KJV)

- 34 But when the Pharisees had heard that he had put the Sadducees to silence, they were gathered together.  
35 Then one of them, which was a lawyer, asked him a question, tempting him, and saying,  
36 Master, which is the great commandment in the law?  
37 Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.  
38 This is the first and great commandment.  
39 And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.  
40 On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.  
41 While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them,  
42 Saying, What think ye of Christ? whose son is he? They say unto him, The Son of David.  
43 He saith unto them, How then doth David in spirit call him Lord, saying,  
44 The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool?  
45 If David then call him Lord, how is he his son?  
46 And no man was able to answer him a word, neither durst any man from that day forth ask him any more questions.

Jesus explained the process that he was going to take to his disciples...

Matt 20:17-19 (KJV)

- 17 And Jesus going up to Jerusalem took the twelve disciples apart in the way, and said unto them,  
18 Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be betrayed unto the chief priests and unto the scribes, and they shall condemn him to death,  
19 And shall deliver him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify him: and the third day he shall rise again.

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Mark 8:27-31 (KJV)

- 27 And Jesus went out, and his disciples, into the towns of Caesarea Philippi: and by the way he asked his disciples, saying unto them, Whom do men say that I am?
- 28 And they answered, John the Baptist: but some say, Elias; and others, One of the prophets.
- 29 And he saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Peter answereth and saith unto him, Thou art the Christ.
- 30 And he charged them that they should tell no man of him.
- 31 And he began to teach them, that the Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders, and of the chief priests, and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.

Mark 10:32-34 (KJV)

- 32 And they were in the way going up to Jerusalem; and Jesus went before them: and they were amazed; and as they followed, they were afraid. And he took again the twelve, and began to tell them what things should happen unto him,
- 33 Saying, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be delivered unto the chief priests, and unto the scribes; and they shall condemn him to death, and shall deliver him to the Gentiles:
- 34 And they shall mock him, and shall scourge him, and shall spit upon him, and shall kill him: and the third day he shall rise again.

Luke 18:31-34 (KJV)

- 31 Then he took unto him the twelve, and said unto them, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem, and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of man shall be accomplished.
- 32 For he shall be delivered unto the Gentiles, and shall be mocked, and spitefully entreated, and spitted on:
- 33 And they shall scourge him, and put him to death: and the third day he shall rise again.
- 34 And they understood none of these things: and this saying was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken.

Jesus demonstrated the power he has over death by raising Lazarus.

John 11:1-45 (KJV)

- 1 Now a certain man was sick, named Lazarus, of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha.
- 2 (It was that Mary which anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick.)
- 3 Therefore his sisters sent unto him, saying, Lord, behold, he whom thou lovest is sick.
- 4 When Jesus heard that, he said, This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby.
- 5 Now Jesus loved Martha, and her sister, and Lazarus.
- 6 When he had heard therefore that he was sick, he abode two days still in the same place where he was.
- 7 Then after that saith he to his disciples, Let us go into Judaea again.
- 8 His disciples say unto him, Master, the Jews of late sought to stone thee; and goest thou thither again?
- 9 Jesus answered, Are there not twelve hours in the day? If any man walk in the day, he stumbleth not, because he seeth the light of this world.
- 10 But if a man walk in the night, he stumbleth, because there is no light in him.
- 11 These things said he: and after that he saith unto them, Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go, that I may awake him out of sleep.
- 12 Then said his disciples, Lord, if he sleep, he shall do well.

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- 13 Howbeit Jesus spake of his death: but they thought that he had spoken of taking of rest in sleep.
- 14 Then said Jesus unto them plainly, Lazarus is dead.
- 15 And I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, to the intent ye may believe; nevertheless let us go unto him.
- 16 Then said Thomas, which is called Didymus, unto his fellowdisciples, Let us also go, that we may die with him.
- 17 Then when Jesus came, he found that he had lain in the grave four days already.
- 18 Now Bethany was nigh unto Jerusalem, about fifteen furlongs off:
- 19 And many of the Jews came to Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning their brother.
- 20 Then Martha, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming, went and met him: but Mary sat still in the house.
- 21 Then said Martha unto Jesus, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.
- 22 But I know, that even now, whatsoever thou wilt ask of God, God will give it thee.
- 23 Jesus saith unto her, Thy brother shall rise again.
- 24 Martha saith unto him, I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day.
- 25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:
- 26 And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?
- 27 She saith unto him, Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world.
- 28 And when she had so said, she went her way, and called Mary her sister secretly, saying, The Master is come, and calleth for thee.
- 29 As soon as she heard that, she arose quickly, and came unto him.
- 30 Now Jesus was not yet come into the town, but was in that place where Martha met him.
- 31 The Jews then which were with her in the house, and comforted her, when they saw Mary, that she rose up hastily and went out, followed her, saying, She goeth unto the grave to weep there.
- 32 Then when Mary was come where Jesus was, and saw him, she fell down at his feet, saying unto him, Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother had not died.
- 33 When Jesus therefore saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her, he groaned in the spirit, and was troubled,
- 34 And said, Where have ye laid him? They said unto him, Lord, come and see.
- 35 Jesus wept.
- 36 Then said the Jews, Behold how he loved him!
- 37 And some of them said, Could not this man, which opened the eyes of the blind, have caused that even this man should not have died?
- 38 Jesus therefore again groaning in himself cometh to the grave. It was a cave, and a stone lay upon it.
- 39 Jesus said, Take ye away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead, saith unto him, Lord, by this time he stinketh: for he hath been dead four days.
- 40 Jesus saith unto her, Said I not unto thee, that, if thou wouldest believe, thou shouldest see the glory of God?
- 41 Then they took away the stone from the place where the dead was laid. And Jesus lifted up his eyes, and said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me.
- 42 And I knew that thou hearest me always: but because of the people which stand by I said it, that they may believe that thou hast sent me.
- 43 And when he thus had spoken, he cried with a loud voice, Lazarus, come forth.
- 44 And he that was dead came forth, bound hand and foot with graveclothes: and his face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them, Loose him, and let him go.
- 45 Then many of the Jews which came to Mary, and had seen the things which Jesus did, believed on him.

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After the crucifixion of Jesus, the chief priests and Pharisees came together to make sure Jesus' body would not be stolen and a fake resurrection was propagated among the believers...

Matt 27:62-66 (KJV)

- 62 Now the next day, that followed the day of the preparation, the chief priests and Pharisees came together unto Pilate,
- 63 Saying, Sir, we remember that that deceiver said, while he was yet alive, After three days I will rise again.
- 64 Command therefore that the sepulchre be made sure until the third day, lest his disciples come by night, and steal him away, and say unto the people, He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse than the first.
- 65 Pilate said unto them, Ye have a watch: go your way, make it as sure as ye can.
- 66 So they went, and made the sepulchre sure, sealing the stone, and setting a watch.

John 20:1-31(KJV)

- 1 The first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre.
- 2 Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him.
- 3 Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre.
- 4 So they ran both together: and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre.
- 5 And he stooping down, and looking in, saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in.
- 6 Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie,
- 7 And the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself.
- 8 Then went in also that other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed.
- 9 For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead.
- 10 Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.
- 11 But Mary stood without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, and looked into the sepulchre,
- 12 And seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain.
- 13 And they say unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? She saith unto them, Because they have taken away my Lord, and I know not where they have laid him.
- 14 And when she had thus said, she turned herself back, and saw Jesus standing, and knew not that it was Jesus.
- 15 Jesus saith unto her, Woman, why weepest thou? whom seekest thou? She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him, Sir, if thou have borne him hence, tell me where thou hast laid him, and I will take him away.
- 16 Jesus saith unto her, Mary. She turned herself, and saith unto him, Rabboni; which is to say, Master.
- 17 Jesus saith unto her, Touch me not; for I am not yet ascended to my Father: but go to my brethren, and say unto them, I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God.
- 18 Mary Magdalene came and told the disciples that she had seen the Lord, and that he had spoken these things unto her.
- 19 Then the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace be unto you.

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- 20 And when he had so said, he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord.
- 21 Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you.
- 22 And when he had said this, he breathed on them, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost:
- 23 Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; and whose soever sins ye retain, they are retained.
- 24 But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came.
- 25 The other disciples therefore said unto him, We have seen the Lord. But he said unto them, Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.
- 26 And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them: then came Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, Peace be unto you.
- 27 Then saith he to Thomas, Reach hither thy finger, and behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless, but believing.
- 28 And Thomas answered and said unto him, My Lord and my God.
- 29 Jesus saith unto him, Thomas, because thou hast seen me, thou hast believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and yet have believed.
- 30 And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book:
- 31 But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

The power that God has given Jesus in the resurrection shows that we have hope when we place our faith in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. The Apostle Paul knew this and expressed it in the books he wrote before and after Acts 28:28.

### In the books written before Acts 28

Rom 7:24-25 (KJV)

- 24 O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?
- 25 I thank God through Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

1 Cor 15:12-26 (KJV)

- 12 Now if Christ be preached that he rose from the dead, how say some among you that there is no resurrection of the dead?
- 13 But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen:
- 14 And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching vain, and your faith is also vain.
- 15 Yea, and we are found false witnesses of God; because we have testified of God that he raised up Christ: whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not.
- 16 For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised:
- 17 And if Christ be not raised, your faith is vain; ye are yet in your sins.
- 18 Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished.
- 19 If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.
- 20 But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.
- 21 For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.
- 22 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.
- 23 But every man in his own order: Christ the firstfruits; afterward they that are Christ's at his coming.
- 24 Then cometh the end, when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power.
- 25 For he must reign, till he hath put all enemies under his feet.
- 26 The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.

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Rom 10:9-11 (KJV)

- 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.
- 11 For the scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

### In the books written after Acts 28

Phil 3:8-21 (KJV)

- 8 Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ,
- 9 And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:
- 10 That I may know him, and the power of his resurrection, and the fellowship of his sufferings, being made conformable unto his death;
- 11 If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.
- 12 Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus.
- 13 Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before,
- 14 I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.
- 15 Let us therefore, as many as be perfect, be thus minded: and if in any thing ye be otherwise minded, God shall reveal even this unto you.
- 16 Nevertheless, whereto we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us mind the same thing.
- 17 Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ye have us for an ensample.
- 18 (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the enemies of the cross of Christ:
- 19 Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, who mind earthly things.)
- 20 For our conversation is in heaven; from whence also we look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:
- 21 Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.

2 Tim 2:15-26 (KJV)

- 15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.
- 16 But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness.
- 17 And their word will eat as doth a canker: of whom is Hymenaeus and Philetus;
- 18 Who concerning the truth have erred, saying that the resurrection is past already; and overthrow the faith of some.
- 19 Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.
- 20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour.
- 21 If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.
- 22 Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

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- 23 But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.  
24 And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient,  
25 In meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth;  
26 And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

### 2 Tim 4:1-8 (KJV)

- 1 I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;  
2 Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine.  
3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;  
4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.  
5 But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.  
6 For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my departure is at hand.  
7 I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith:  
8 Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.

THE SEVEN EPOCHAL RESURRECTIONS OF THE NEW TESTAMENT  
INTERPRETATION AND INSTRUCTION

INTRODUCTION

THE GENERAL IMPRESSION AND EXPRESSION:

1. THE COMMON EXPRESSION: "THE GENERAL RESURRECTION." A TERM USED ALMOST UNIVERSALLY BY CHRISTIAN BELIEVERS. A TEACHING BELIEVED ALMOST UNIVERSALLY BY THE PROFESSING CHURCH.
2. THE ETYMOLOGICAL DEFINITION: THE MEANING OF THE TERM: THE TERM "GENERAL" MEANS "COMMON"—"UNIVERSAL." A GENERAL RESURRECTION IS A COMMON, UNIVERSAL, SIMULTANEOUS RESURRECTION—A RESURRECTION OF ALL PERSONS, GOOD AND EVIL, AT THE SAME, PRECISE MOMENT OF TIME.
3. THE INSTRUCTOR'S POSITION: CONCERNING RESURRECTION:
  - (1) THE RESURRECTION OF EVERY PERSON, GOOD OR EVIL, IS ASSURELY TAUGHT BY THE HOLY SCRIPTURES.
  - (2) A GENERAL, UNIVERSAL, SIMULTANEOUS RESURRECTION, TAKING PLACE AT AN APPOINTED, SPECIFIC MOMENT OF TIME IS ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT SCRIPTURAL FOUNDATION OR AUTHORITY.
  - (3) SEVERAL PASSAGES OF SCRIPTURE VIEWED IN THE ABSTRACT AND SEPARATED FROM OTHER PASSAGES SEEM TO INDICATE A "GENERAL RESURRECTION". Cf. DAN. 12:2-3. JOHN 5:28-29.
  - (4) THOROUGH INVESTIGATION OF EVERY SCRIPTURE BEARING UPON THE SUBJECT CERTAINLY INDICATES THAT SEPARATE VARIOUS RESURRECTIONS TAKE PLACE EACH SEPARATELY FROM THE OTHER BY AN INTERVAL OF TIME AND DIFFERING AS TO SUBJECTS, CHARACTER AND RESULTS OF THE RESURRECTION: Cf. REV. 20:4-6. LUKE 20:35-36. LUKE 14:14. HEB. 11:35. 1 THESS. 4:16. PHIL. 3:11 (Greek).

(5) SUGGESTIONS FOR THE STUDENT'S PERSONAL STUDY:

- A. STUDY THE HOLY SCRIPTURES THEMSELVES; THEY ARE THE DIVINE MEDIUM OF TRUE KNOWLEDGE. 2 TIM. 3:16-17.
- B. WEIGH ALL SCRIPTURES COMPARATIVELY; DO NOT REST UPON A SINGLE, ISOLATED VERSE FOR FINAL CONCLUSIONS. 2 PETER 1:20.
- C. MAKE USE OF THE DIVINE RULE FOR CORRECT INTERPRETATION; THIS RULE IS REVEALED IN 2 TIM. 2:15. "RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH."
  - (A) WHEN THIS RULE IS FOLLOWED, SEVEN, SEPARATE, DISTINCT, UNRELATED BUT IMPORTANT EPOCHAL RESURRECTIONS ARE REVEALED IN THE NEW TESTAMENT.
  - (B) FOR BIBLE STUDENTS THE SEVEN EPOCHAL RESURRECTIONS ARE VISUALIZED IN THE FIVE COLUMNS UNDER THE CAPTION "INTERPRETATION AND INSTRUCTION."
  - (C) THE DISCERNMENT OF THE DISTINCTION BETWEEN THE VARIOUS RESURRECTIONS IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT FOR THE REASON THAT EACH RESURRECTION IS VITALLY CONNECTED WITH THE FULFILLMENT OF THE PLAN, PURPOSE AND PROGRAM OF GOD.

I. THE TITLE OF THE RESURRECTION

1. THE RESURRECTION OF CHRIST: ACTS 2:31. 1 PET. 1:3. 1 PET. 3:18.
2. THE "OUT-RESURRECTION FROM AMONG THE DEAD": PHIL. 3:11. (Greek: "Ek Anastas Ek Nekron")
3. THE RESURRECTION OF THE EARLIER TRIBULATION SAINTS: REV. 7:9-14.
4. THE RESURRECTION OF THE TWO WITNESSES: REV. 11:5-12.

II. THE CHARACTER OF THE RESURRECTION

1. THE PHYSICAL RESURRECTION OF CHRIST: ACT. 1:3. LUKE 24:36-46. ACTS 2:31. ACTS 10:40-41. 1 COR. 15:3-8. REV. 1:18.
2. A "FIRST FRUITS" RESURRECTION: 1 COR. 15:20, 23. ACTS 26:23.
3. THE PHYSICAL RESURRECTION OF CERTAIN BELIEVERS "OUT FROM AMONG THE DEAD": 1 COR. 15:50-54. REV. 1:18.
4. REMAINING IN THE DUST OF THE EARLY WILL SO CONTINUE FOR A TIME: ACT. 1:3. LUKE 24:36-46. ACTS 2:31. ACTS 10:40-41. 1 COR. 15:3-8. REV. 1:18.
5. A PHYSICAL RESURRECTION OF CERTAIN MARTYRS—SAINTS WHO RISE AND ASPIRE TO THE PERIOD OF THE GREAT TRIBULATION: REV. 7:14. Cf. MATT. 24:21. JER. 30:4-7. DAN. 12:1-2.
6. A PHYSICAL RESURRECTION OF TWO WITNESSES WHO ARE RAISED, REVIVED, RAISED AND EXALTED BY GOD TO HEAVEN: REV. 11:7-12.
7. A PHYSICAL RESURRECTION OF A DISTINCT COMPANY OF REDEEMED, UNDEFILED, GUILTESS, FAULTLESS PERSONS WHO STAND STEADFAST THROUGHOUT THE GREAT TRIBULATION PERIOD: REV. 14:1-5. Rev. 7: 3.
8. A PHYSICAL RESURRECTION, TERMED: "THE BLESSED RESURRECTION": REV. 14:13.
9. "THE RESURRECTION OF THE JUST": REV. 20:4-6. LUKE 14:14. ACTS 24:15.
10. "THE BETTER RESURRECTION": DAN. 12:2-3. JOHN 5:29. HEB. 11:35.
11. A PHYSICAL RESURRECTION, TERMED: "THE RESURRECTION OF THE UNJUST": LUKE 14:14. ACTS 24:15.
12. "THE RESURRECTION TO SHAME AND CONTEMPT": DAN. 12:2.
13. A RESURRECTION TO "DAMNATION": JOHN 5:29.

III. THE TIME OF THE RESURRECTION

1. A. D. 30;
2. "THREE DAYS AND THREE NIGHTS" AFTER HIS DEATH AND BURIAL: MATT. 12:40. 16:21. 20:19. 1 COR. 15:3.
3. AT THE EXACT MOMENT WHEN THE CHURCH WHICH IS "HIS BODY" IS MADE COMPLETE OR PERFECT: PHIL. 3:11-14.
4. AT SOME POINT OF TIME DURING THE PERIOD OF THE GREAT TRIBULATION: REV. 7:16. 9:5-11. 7:4-8. Cf. MATT. 24:21. JER. 30:4-7. DAN. 12:1-2.
5. A PERIOD SUBSEQUENT TO THAT OF THOSE WHO COMPOSE HIS BODY": REV. 11:7-12.
6. IN THE MIDST OF THE GREAT TRIBULATION PERIOD: REV. 11:7-12.
7. PROBABLY IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE END OF THE GREAT TRIBULATION: REV. 14:1-5.
8. AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MILLENNIAL REIGN OF CHRIST: REV. 20:4-6.
9. AT THE CLOSE OF THE MILLENNIAL REIGN OF CHRIST: REV. 20:6.

IV. THE SUBJECTS OF THE RESURRECTION

1. THE LORD JESUS CHRIST: "HIS SON"; "SON OF GOD"; "THE FIRSTBORN"; "OUR LORD": ROM. 1:3-4. 2. TIM. 2:8.
2. THOSE ONLY WHO ARE MEMBERS OF "HIS BODY": EPH. 3:1-5. 4:11-16. 5:23. PHIL. 3:20-21. COL. 1:24-27. Cf. 1 THESS. 4:13-18.
3. THE EARLIER TRIBULATION SAINTS: A GODLY, SUFFERING, MARTYRED REMNANT: REV. 7:16. 9:5-11. 7:4-8. Cf. MATT. 24:21. JER. 30:4-7. DAN. 12:1-2.
4. THE TWO DIVINELY APPOINTED WITNESSES: REV. 11:3-7.
5. THE ONE HUNDRED, FORTY, SEVEN, ABRAHAMIC, DISTINCT COMPANY: REV. 14:1-5.
6. THE REMAINING RIGHTEOUS OF THE GREAT TRIBULATION PERIOD: REV. 20:4.
7. THE RIGHTEOUS DEAD OF THE EARLIER RESURRECTIONS NOTED ABOVE: JOB 19:25-27. ISA. 26:19. DAN. 12:2-3. HOS. 13:14. JOHN 11:24.
8. THE UNGRIGHTEOUS DEAD OF ALL THE AGES: REV. 20:5, 11.

V. THE DESTINY OF THOSE INCLUDED IN THE RESURRECTION

1. CHRIST ASCENDED ON HIGH: EPH. 4:8-9. 1 PET. 3:18, 22.
2. CHRIST EXALTED TO THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD; ACTS 2:33. PHIL. 2:9-11. 1:11-18. 5:72. ACTS 7:55.
3. "CALLED ON HIGH"; PARTIALLY CELESTIAL: 1 PET. 3:18, 22.
4. A PRIZE TERMED "GOD'S CHANGING HIGH": PHIL. 3:20-21.
5. CHANGED—MADE LIKE HIMSELF: PHIL. 3:20-21. COL. 3:4.
6. APPEAR WITH HIM IN GLORY: 1 COR. 15:51-52.
7. THIS COMPANY "SHALL SERVE GOD DAY AND NIGHT BEFORE HIS THRONE": REV. 7:15-17.
8. THE TWO WITNESSES ASCEND INTO HEAVEN IN A CLOUD: REV. 11:12.
9. THE FATHER'S NAME TO BE REVEALED TO THEM IN THEIR FOREHEADS: REV. 14:1-5.
10. TO BE WITH THE LAMB: REV. 14:1-5.
11. A FIRST-FRUITS TO GOD AND HIS LAMB: REV. 14:1-5.
12. LIVE AND REIGN WITH CHRIST A THOUSAND YEARS: REV. 20:4-6.
13. TO BE KING-PRIESTS: Cf. EX. 19:6. 1 PET. 2:9.
14. THE LAKE OF FIRE: REV. 20:11, 14, 15.
15. THE SECOND DEATH: REV. 20:14.
16. Cf. 2 THESS. 1:7-9. REV. 21:8.