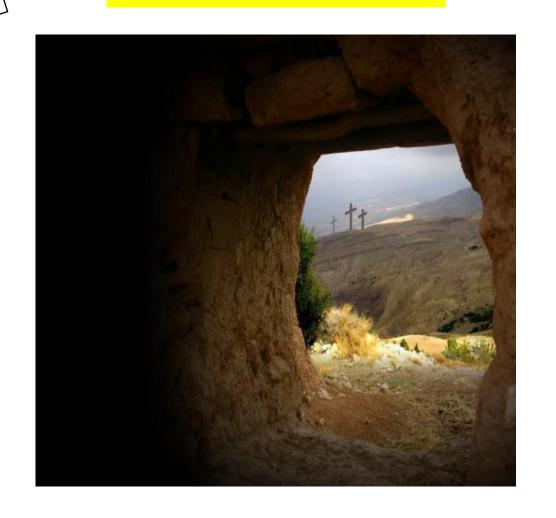
# RESURRECTION of the Lord Jesus christ

## The DOCTRINE



For if the dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen. And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins! (1 Cor.15:16-17).

#### The Resurrection of Jesus Christ is: प्रभु ईशु मसीही के पुनरुत्थान

- A matter of faith produced by written testimony.
- It is a fact.
- Not a question of science.
- Not a question of philosophy.
- Not a question of knowing as the disciples in the first century knew.

### What Bible says:

- The doctrine of the resurrection is the foundation of the New Testament.
- The word Resurrection is mentioned 104 times in the Bible.
- The miracle of Resurrection stands tall with all other miracles (45) ever happened.
- Christianity is the only religion based on a living originator.
- Buddha is dead (Buddhism).
- Brahma (Hinduism) is dead.
- Mohammed (Islam)is dead.
- Carl Marx (Communism) is dead.

Only Christianity is living and speaks of the empty tomb that Jesus is risen.

And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name." (Jn.20:30-31).

"So, then faith comes by hearing and hearing by the word of God." (Rom.10:17).

#### Proof that Jesus died (Matt.27:50-61)

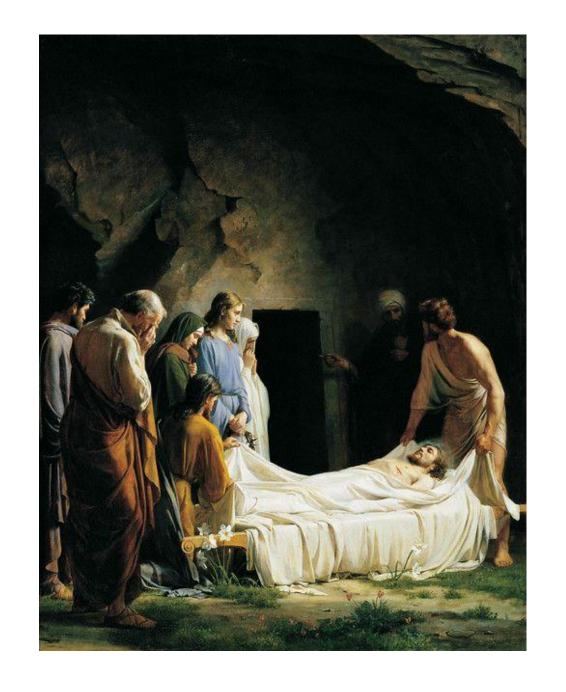
- <sup>50</sup> And when Jesus had cried out again in a loud voice, he gave up his spirit.
- 51 At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth shook, the rocks split.
- <sup>52</sup> and the tombs broke open. The bodies of many holy people who had died were raised to life.
- <sup>53</sup> They came out of the tombs after Jesus' resurrection and went into the holy city and appeared to many people.
- <sup>54</sup> When the centurion and those with him who were guarding Jesus saw the earthquake and all that had happened, they were terrified, and exclaimed, "Surely he was the Son of God!"

- Many women were there, watching from a distance. They had followed Jesus from Galilee to care for his needs.
- <sup>56</sup> Among them were Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of Zebedee's sons.

#### The Burial of Jesus:

- <sup>57</sup> As evening approached, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who had himself become a disciple of Jesus.
- <sup>58</sup> Going to Pilate, he asked for Jesus' body, and Pilate ordered that it be given to him.
- 59 Joseph took the body, wrapped it in a clean linen cloth,
- <sup>60</sup> and placed it in his own new tomb that he had cut out of the rock. He rolled a big stone in front of the entrance to the tomb and went away.
- <sup>61</sup> Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were sitting there opposite the tomb.

- The Centurion confessed.
- Pilate.
- Joseph of Arimathaea took the body for burial.
- Thousands of Jews witnessed.
- Women who followed saw Jesus dead and buried.
- Jews asked the king to seal the tomb.
- For 3-days His body was in the tomb.

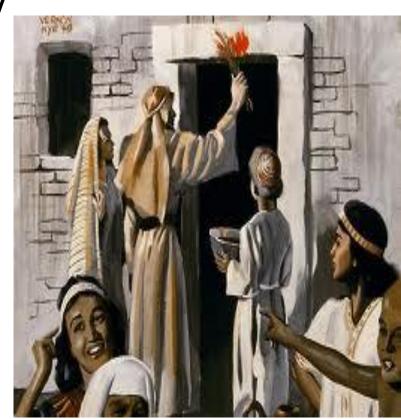


#### The date of Jesus's death

The whole world observes every year Good Friday and Easter. (This year on 4<sup>th</sup> April 2021)

In (Matt.26:2), Jesus first tells His disciples about His death "You know that after two days is the Passover, and the Son of Man will be delivered up to be crucified".

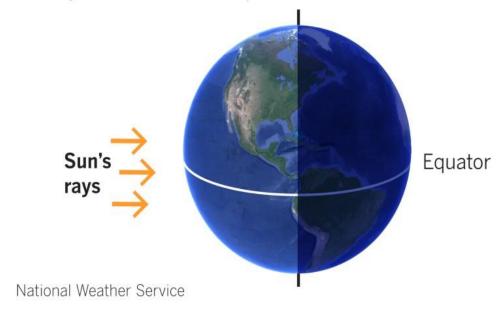
- Good Friday is related to Easter as well as the Passover.
- In (Ex. 12:1-11) the Lord directs Moses and the Israelites on when and how to celebrate the Passover: "This month is the beginning of months for you; it shall be the first month of your year. On the tenth day of this month each man is to take a lamb...."
- Jewish calendar starts with New moon day.



- The Passover and Jesus' crucifixion happened on the 1st month of the Jewish calendar i.e. Nisan of Jewish Calendar, falls in the springtime and lasts for 30-days, which is equivalent to March-April of Gregorian Calendar (i.e. our calendar).
- Christians have set the 1st Sunday after full moon day, after the Spring equinox as Easter Sunday.
- The Spring Equinox for Northern hemisphere is around March 21 and for southern hemisphere is Sept.22.

#### The equinoxes

At the March and September equinoxes, the noonday sun is directly overhead at the equator.



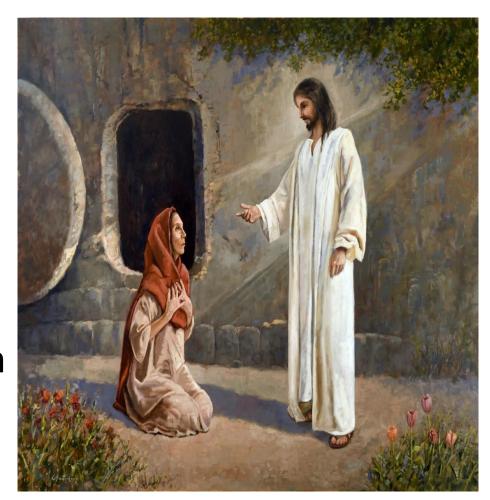
#### Evidences of Jesus's Resurrection

**Eye-witness: Mary Magdalene**. (Mark 16:9-11).

"Now when He rose early on the first day of the week, He appeared first to Mary Magdalene, out of whom He had cast seven demons.

She went and told those who had been with Him, as they mourned and wept.

And when they heard that He was alive and had been seen by her, they did not believe."



#### **Angel's witness**

But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His disciples; and Peter; that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you." (Mk.16:6-7).

He is not here, for he has risen, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. Go quickly and tell His disciples that He has risen from the dead (Matt.28:6-7)

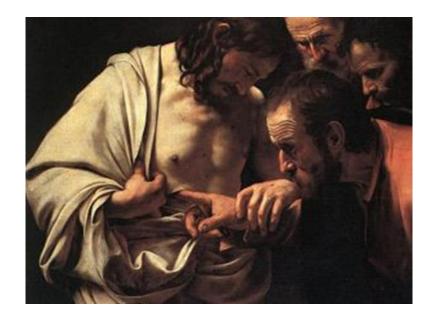
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### Many different people saw Jesus after the resurrection.

- 1) Mary Magdalene: The first appearance of Jesus was to Mary Magdalene (Jn.20:14-16).
- 2) Mary The Mother Of James, Salome, And Joanna: (Matt.28:9).
- 3)Peter: The Lord is risen indeed and has appeared to Simon! (Lk. 24:34).
- 4) Two Disciples On The Emmaus Road: (Lk. 24:13-16).
- **5)**<u>The Disciples</u> Thomas Absent: But Thomas, one of the twelve, called Didymus, was not with them when Jesus came (Jn.20:19,20,24). (Sunday night)
- 6)All the Disciples: Eight days later He appeared again this time with Thomas present (Jn.20:26-28).





- **7). Seven Disciples**: At The Sea Of Galilee. Another appearance was to seven disciples on the Sea of Galilee (Jn.21:1, 2).
- **8).** At a mountain In Galilee: There is also the account of Jesus appearing before His eleven disciples in Galilee. (Matt.28:16,17).
- 9). Over Five Hundred People: After that he was seen by over five hundred people at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep (1 Cor.15:6).
- 10). James: Jesus appeared to His half-brother James. (1 Cor. 15:7).
- 11) Saul: After Jesus' ascension He appeared again this time to Saul of Tarsus (Acts 9:3-5).





#### Some more evidences:

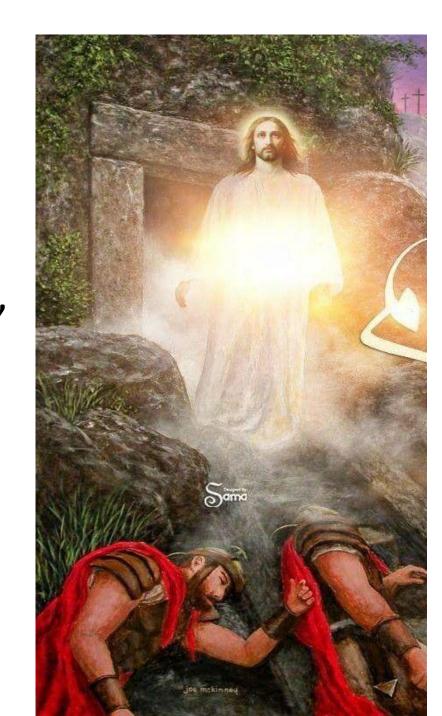
 People who talked after the resurrection: Peter, Mary, Cleopas and Thomas.

Jesus ate and drank, showed His wounds, etc. to friends after the resurrection. (1 Cor.15:6)

- By His appearance to Stephen at his martyrdom (Acts.7:56).
- By the testimony of millions who have proved Him to be a living Saviour.

By many infallible proofs (Acts 1:3).

- God raised him up, loosing the pangs of death, because, it was not possible for him to be held by it (Acts 2:24).
- They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up into heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come in the same way that you have seen Him going into heaven" (Acts 1:11).



#### His Resurrection Body: उनका पुनरुत्थान शरीर

- It had flesh and bones: (Lk.24:39)
- It was a glorious body: (Phil.3:21).
- It was an immortal body, one that will never die: (Rom.6:9)
- It was a spiritual body: (1 Cor.15:44)
- The spirit body has the ability to pass through a solid wall (Jn.20:19).



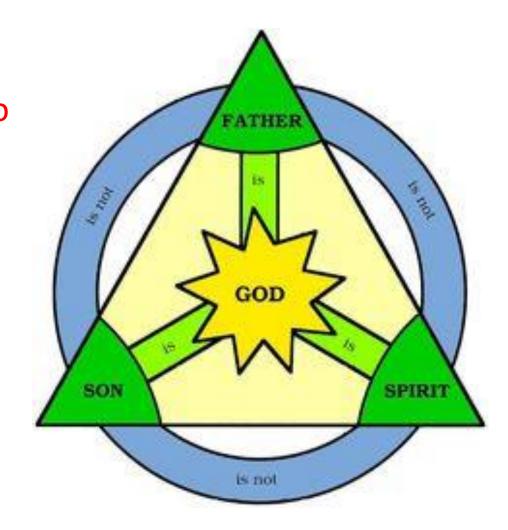
#### How did Jesus rise form the dead?

By the power of the Father: (Acts.2:23-24;

Acts 3:15; 5:30).

23.Peter said: this Jesus, delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men.

24. But God raised him from the dead, freeing him from the agony of death, because it was impossible for death to keep its hold on him. (Acts.2:23-24)





#### By the power of Christ Himself:

(Jn.2:19, Jn.10:18).

Jesus answered them, "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.

### By the power of the Holy Spirit: (1 Pet.3:18).

18 For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit.

#### Results of Resurrection:

It proves the existence of God. If there is no God, how did Christ rise from the dead? He rose because a living God resurrected Him.

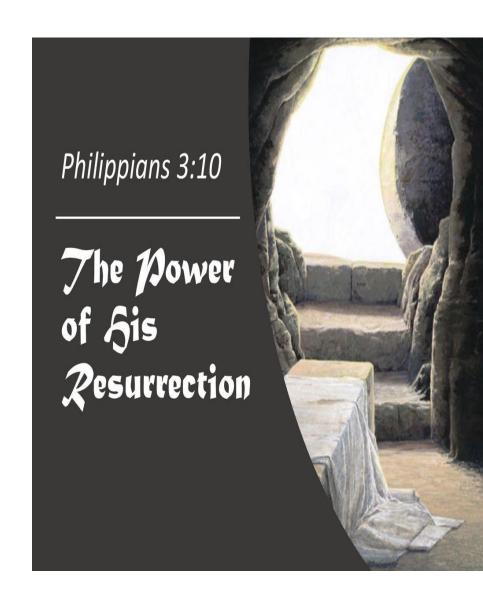
It proves the Deity of Christ. (Rom1:4)

It means that Salvation is an accomplished fact. Jesus said that Salvation was completed when He died on the cross and the resurrection confirms it.

- The resurrection guarantees that everyone else shall rise too.
  - 1)The righteous unto life eternal.
  - 2)The unrighteous to face an angry judge and be condemned forever.

It prepared Him to fulfil His next promise, "I will come again.

The power of His resurrection (Phil.3:10), is an experience that we may enjoy now. It means living in newness of life that comes to us by the resurrected Christ living His life anew through our bodies.



#### The Benefits of Resurrection



A New Life: एक नया जीवन (Rom.6:2-3) - Sin's power is broken.

A New Nature: एक नया स्वभाव: (Rom. 6:11) - Our old sin nature is dead and we have a new, changed life in God.

#### Benefits of Resurrection



#### A New Freedom:

(Rom.6:13) - We are no longer bound by sin and can give ourselves freely to God.

 He is Risen indeed – He lives

#### Conclusion

- Resurrection is the greatest power in the world along with the power of prayer.
- Resurrection is greater than the power of the atom, hydrogen or any nuclear power.
- Resurrection has the power to give life to the dead.
- The resurrection is the basis on which Christianity stands or falls.
- The resurrection is the unshakable rock of Christian evidences.
- It is the waterloo or defeats the infidelity, agnosticism and atheism.

- Because of the Lord Jesus Christ, materialism, communism, atheism and all other isms must fall.
- Today the mightier conqueror is death, who strides across the land, digging a trench across the hemisphere and filling it with the dead.
- But resurrection is far greater power, for it breaks the power of the grave.
- Today because of the Christ's resurrection, we triumphantly say: "O death, where is they sting? O grave, where is they victory?" (1 Cor.15:55).
- We as Christians, serve a risen Saviour. He is in the world today.

Victory is ours as we march forward with the conquering Christ as the Head of the Church.

Christ Jesus is alive; He lives in us and He gives us the power of Resurrection.



# God bless you Thanks for your patient hearing