

Did Jesus REALLY Rise from the dead?

A study of the facts around Jesus Resurrection

INTRODUCTION – “The Bible Tells me so” is not enough today.

NOTES:

1. Read Acts 1:1-3
 - A. What words are used to describe what Jesus did in the forty days after his resurrection?
 - B. What would constitute a “convincing proof” for you to have believed in his resurrection?
 - C. Why do you think that was his forty-day post-resurrection mission?

2. Read John 20:30-31

When John was writing the Gospel, he chose seven miracles that he included. He notes in this passage that he could have listed many others. Why did he say he choose what he did?

3. Read John 10:24-25
 - A. According to Jesus, why should they have believed in him?
 - B. What would keep a person from seeing the miracles, but not believing in the one who did them?

4. Read I John 1:1-3
 - A. John stresses that what they were teaching was based on what they had seen and experienced. What words or phrases does he use to emphasize that what they had been teaching was based on real events?
 - B. Why does he say that he is stressing that?

5. Read Acts 2:22-36
 - A. What prompted 3,000 people to be baptized that day? What caused the movement of people believing in Jesus?
 - B. What details about Jesus did Peter say that seemed to impact those who were listening to him?

6. Read Acts 10:34-43

A. Peter begins both verse 36 & 37 with the phrase “you know...” Why?

B. List the things that happened which he mentions in ...

- Verse 38
- Verse 39
- Verse 40
- Verse 41

C. What was the outcome of Peter speaking about this with the people of Caesarea?

FURTHER DISCUSSION:

- It is said that in today’s culture you should “believe whatever works’ for you.” How does the fact that the Christian faith is based on real events challenge that philosophy?
- What prompted the movement that got named “Christianity”?