

# Resurrection: Our Hope

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The resurrection and life is not just a future hope, it is a \_\_\_\_\_ reality that each believer can hold on to in the midst of an ever-changing world. Jesus wanted to make the resurrection more than a distant thought, He wanted His friends to make it a present life-changing truth to live with and live by.

Death is separation. He raised a young girl from the dead who had recently died (Luke 8:40-56). He raised the widow's son who had been dead for about a day (Luke 7:11-17). He raised Lazarus from the dead, someone who had been dead for 4 days.

What is spiritual death? Spiritual death is separation from God.

Physical resurrection gives temporary physical life. But, those who were once dead in sins can be made spiritually alive by their faith in God (Eph. 2:1-10)!

Jesus brings the resurrection from a future fact to a \_\_\_\_\_ reality. Even more Jesus takes the resurrection from a certain fulfilled event to a present \_\_\_\_\_.

Christ's resurrection did more than give physical life, it has given every believer \_\_\_\_\_ life.

I. The Resurrection is a \_\_\_\_\_!

**Life is not just a physical condition or actions of movement and growth. Rather, life is a Person! "Resurrection leads to life, and Jesus is both the resurrection and the life" (Wiersbe).**

Since Jesus is the resurrection and the life, He has the power to change lives and also the power to meet every need of the changed life.

A. Jesus Christ is THE \_\_\_\_\_ (John 14:6).

We find that with Jesus as the life, He is the source and power of the believer's resurrection life.

For the believer, Jesus is not some abstract scientific notion or far out thought; rather, Jesus is a living, breathing Person who is the Source of all power, spiritual life, and eternal life.

The resurrected Lord Jesus then is not only life, He gives life. That life cannot be taken away, undone, or lost. Those who have truly believed are alive.

**How do the resurrection and the life make any difference to you today?**

- You have a \_\_\_\_\_.
- You have \_\_\_\_\_.
- You can \_\_\_\_\_ to become like Christ.
- Everything that the believer does and will do is a direct result of our life rooted in the \_\_\_\_\_ Savior.

B. To \_\_\_\_\_ is Christ (Phil. 1:21).

**What we need today is this body of believers living the crucified, resurrected life of Christ before the world.**