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The Meaning, Message, & Miracle Of The Resurrection

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Acts 2:22-33

Why is the Resurrection so important?

I. It gives hope in the most hopeless situation

- A. It deals with the issue of death
- B. It brings the cure to the pain of death
- C. It shows the world that death has been defeated

II. It validates the authority of Jesus

- A. His claims
- B. His mission
- C. His ultimate promise

III. It validates our faith

- A. In Messiah
- B. In Heaven
- C. In the Word of God

IV. 10 reasons to give for our belief in the Resurrection

- A. It was predicted by Jesus
 - 1. Psalm 16:10-11
- B. Jesus predicted it

- 1. Mark 8:31
- 2. John 2:18-20
- C. Jesus performed Resurrection power
 - 1. Raising the dead
 - 2. 3 times mentioned in the Gospel
- D. Over 500 eyewitnesses saw Him at one time
- E. An assortment of eyewitnesses saw Him
 - 1. Saul
 - 2. James
 - 3. Peter
 - 4. Thomas
 - 5. Women who followed
- F. Willing to die horrible deaths for what they saw & heard
- G. Lives were changed
 - 1. Yesterday & today
- H. Tomb was empty
- I. No other reasonable explanation
- J. A Shroud, burial cloth, that created belief

V. Some unique facts that point to the authenticity of the Shroud

- A. Body image of a crucified man
 - 1. Meeting exact description of Jesus
- B. Burial cloth
 - 1. Herringbone weave
 - 2. Made in that region of the world
 - 3. Followed protocol for burial
- C. Blood on the Shroud
 - 1. Corresponds with crucifixion of Jesus

- 2. A unique serum to plasma ratio
- 3. Enzymes in blood fused due to polytrauma
- D. Blood on Shroud before the body left the Shroud creating the image
- E. Burst of light
 - 1. 6 to 8 billion watts of energy
 - 2. Yet the burst of light did not fry the cloth
 - 3. Burst lasted 1/40th billionth of a second
 - 4. Any longer would have vaporized the Shroud
 - 5. Anyway to produce that today?
 - 6. An ARF excimer laser
 - 7. It would take 14,000 ARF excimer lasers inside the body to create a vacuum ultraviolet radiation
- F. Biology
 - 1. Pollen fossils indigenous to the region of Jerusalem found in the Shroud
- G. Bogus date in 1988
 - 1. Test taken from a patch cotton fibers, same piece tested in 3 labs
 - Dr. Ray Rogers Thermochemistry of Los Alamos lab, discovered cotton fibers were bad samples making the date invalid
 - 3. Dr. Casabianca ran 4 tests

- a. Enzyme test on Shroud
- b. Mechanical compressability
- c. All test indicate date of Shroud at 50 AD - margin of error 125 years
- d. 95% accuracy
- 4. Roman coins placed over the eyes
 - a. Minted 29 AD
 - b. Minted Pontius Pilate

The Body Had To Go Through The Cloth
To Leave The Image

He Has Risen
He Offers Eternal Life
This Gift Can Be Yours