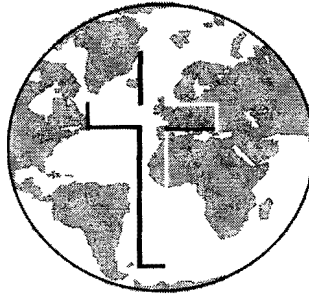


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Why Do You Look for the Dead Among the Living?

Yes! Christ did not stay in the grave; he rose on the third day. He is now alive and everyone who believes in Him; receives in His name eternal life and by personal belief in Him, shares in his resurrection. And by this resurrection and in the name of Jesus Christ, we are assured of conquering sin, death and the Devil.

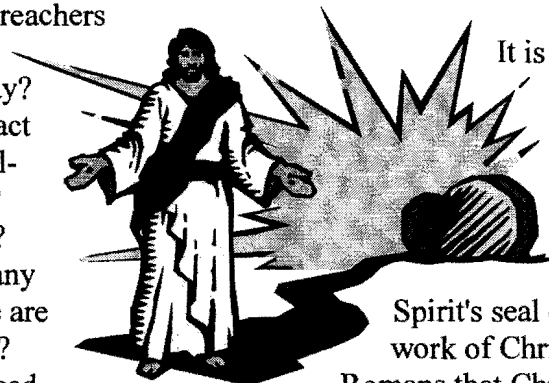
Where are the preachers and teachers of religion today? Didn't they attract millions and millions of people? Where are they? They died like any one else. Where are all the Prophets? They are also dead.

Christ, on the other hand, is alive, he told it personally to John in the book of Revelations 1:17-18. "Do not be afraid, I am the first and the last. I am the living one, I was dead, and behold I am alive forever and ever! And I hold the keys of death and Hades."

Without the resurrection, there is no meaning to the atonement. Paul

wrote in I Corinthians 15:17, "If Christ be not raised, your faith is vain, and you are yet in your sins."

The resurrection of Christ is the cornerstone of the Gospel. "That he rose again on the third day according to the scripture." (I Corinthians 15:4), was and still is the center of Christian preaching and teaching.



It is the resurrection of Christ that gives us the assurance that the atonement was accepted by God. The resurrection was the Holy Spirit's seal of approval on the work of Christ. Paul wrote to the Romans that Christ was "Declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection of the dead." (Romans 1:4).

Wishing each and everyone of you a very blessed 2008 Resurrection.

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Thank you!

I am deeply grateful for all of our friends who helped support our cause last year.

The 2007 UPIC Picnic generate \$3,735.00 and the October Dinner generated \$7,063.00.

Your donations for 2007 totaled \$36,493.00 and we distributed \$30,275.00 to help our needy brothers and sisters in Christ in the Middle East.

If you need a copy of our financial statement for the year ending December 31, 2007, please stop by our office to pick one up or call us to mail or fax one to you.

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Your donations this Easter season will be forwarded to our needy brothers and sisters in Christ in the West Bank, Lebanon and Iraq. They are in desperate need of your help and assistance.

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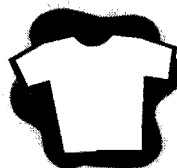
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حسب انجيل متى الاصحاح ٢٧ : ٥٧ - ٢٨ : ١٠

واضبطوه كما تعلمون . فمضوا وضبطوا القبر بالحراس
وختموا الحجر .

وبعد السبت ، عند فجر أول الأسبوع ، جاءت مريم
المجدلية ومريم الأخرى لتنظرا القبر ، واذا زلزلة عظيمة
حدثت ، لأن ملاك الرب نزل من السماء وجاء ودحرج الحجر
عن الباب وجلس عليه . وكان منظره كالبرق ، ولباسه أبيض
كالثلج . فمن خوفه ارتعد الحراس وصاروا كأموات . فأجاب
الملاك وقال للمراتين « لا تخافا أنتما ! فاني أعلم انكما تطلبان
يسوع المصلوب . ليس هو ههنا لأنه قام كما قال . هلما انظرا
الموضع الذي كان الرب مضطجعا فيه ، واذهبا سريعا قولا
لتلاميذه انه قد قام من الأموات . ها هو سبقكم الى الجليل .
هناك ترونه . ها أنا قد قلت لكما » . فخرجتا سريعا من القبر
بخوف وفرح عظيم ، راكضتين لتخبيرا لتلاميذه . وفيما هما
منطلقتان لتخبيرا لتلاميذه اذا يسوع لاقاهما وقال « سلام لكما » .
فتقدمتا وأمسكتا بقدميه وسجدتا له . فقال لهما يسوع : « لا
تخافا . اذهبا قولا لاختوتي ان يذهبوا الى الجليل وهناك
يروني » .

ولما كان المساء جاء رجل غني من الرامة اسمه يوسف .
وكان هو أيضاً تلميذاً ليسوع . فهذا تقدم الى بيلاطس وطلب
جسد يسوع . فأمر بيلاطس حينئذ أن يعطى الجسد . فأخذ
يوسف الجسد ولفه بكتان نقي ، ووضع في قبره الحديد الذي
كان قد نحت في الصخرة ، ثم دحرج حجراً كبيراً على باب
القبر ومضى . وكانت هناك مريم المجدلية ومريم الأخرى
جالستين تجاه القبر .

وفي الغد الذي بعد الاستعداد اجتمع رؤساء الكهنة
والفريسيون الى بيلاطس قائلين : « يا سيد ، قد تذكرنا ان
ذلك المضل قال وهوحي اني بعد ثلاثة أيام أقوم ، فمر بضبط
القبر الى اليوم الثالث ، لئلا يأتي تلاميذه ليلا ويسرقوه ،
ويقولوا للشعب انه قام من الأموات ، فتكون الضلالة الأخيرة
أشر من الأولى » . فقال لهم بيلاطس « عندكم حراس . اذهبوا