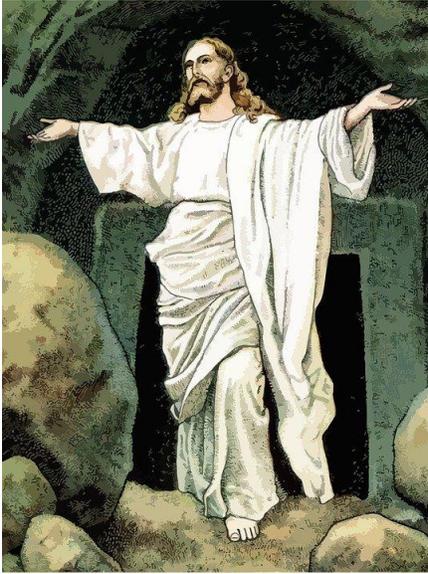


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Luke 24:1-12

Title: Why Is Jesus' Resurrection Important?

Introduction: We all ask questions at different stages of our lives. We ask questions about special things as well such as: Why are there different aspects of Easter stories? Why did he come as a suffering servant? Why did some people not recognize him and yet the prophets and the scriptures had prophesized about his coming? Why did he resurrect? What is accomplished on the resurrection?



The following are the truths about the resurrection of Jesus:

I. The resurrection of Jesus is vital to Christianity (1Cor. 15:13-14, 20, 42-44NRSV).

“So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day.” 2 Corinthians 4:16 NRSV

II. The resurrection of Jesus established hope for tomorrow (Luke 24:18-21).

“Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, “Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?” He asked them, “What things?” They replied, “The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place.” (Luke 24:18-21 NRSV)

III. The resurrection of Jesus has brought joy in the present and in the future.

Conclusion: Why is Easter important to you? What does Easter mean for you? It means the chains of the past are broken and they do not have to hold you anymore. Indeed, if you are still chained, it's because YOU are holding onto it.