

Sermon Brief, Important Cross References and Quotes, Helpful Links, "How Well was I Listening Questions"

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The Dead Will Be Raised

Sermon Brief:

1. We believe in the resurrection of the dead.
2. That's a fundamental doctrine.
3. It's also shocking.
4. Why are we convinced the dead will rise?
5. In 1 Corinthians 15:1ff we find three reasons we can be confident.
6. The first is because it already happened once. We know if something happened once it can happen again, and looking at these verses we have good solid reasons for believing someone already rose from the dead.
7. In fact, we can take that a step further. Because it happened to Jesus, it will happen again. And this is reason number two. It happened and the fact that it happened has implications.
8. Jesus being raised from the dead is connected to your resurrection from the dead. His resurrection proves God is keeping His promise, and His promise was not just to raise Jesus from the dead, but the rest of us as well.
9. Which is where Paul's third reason for confidence comes in. We believe in the resurrection because the Bible says so. The resurrection of the dead has to happen because Jesus' resurrection of the dead happened, just like the Old Testament said it would.
10. And I know, if you are a Christian, you say you believe that.
11. But do you believe that?
12. Because you have good reason to.
13. The king had to die to be the king who could defeat death and live forever. And a forever king like Jesus deserves a forever people.
14. You are going to rise from the dead and that reality should change your whole way of looking at the world completely.
15. Does it?

Important Cross References and Quotes:

1. "The bodies of men, after death, return to dust, and see corruption but their souls, which neither die nor sleep, having an immortal subsistence, immediately return to God who gave them. The souls of the righteous, being then made perfect in holiness, are received into the highest heavens, where they behold the face of God, in light and glory, waiting for the full redemption of their bodies."
2. Deuteronomy 26:1-11
3. Luke 9:11,12; Luke 18:31-33; Luke 24:26,44
4. "If there is no resurrection of the dead, nothing matters. But, if there is a resurrection of the dead, nothing else matters more."

Helpful Links:

1. [One of the Most Overlooked Evidences](#)

2. [Two Reasons to Trust the Resurrection's Plausibility](#)

PowerPoint Presentation [Link](#)

PowerPoint for Kids with Blanks [Link](#)

How Well Was I Listening Questions:

Here are some questions you should be able to answer after listening to the message.

1. What is the resurrection of the dead?
2. How important is this doctrine to Christianity?
3. Why is this doctrine shocking?
4. What are the three reasons we gave for confidence in the resurrection of the dead?