

Resurrection, Regeneration & New Life

The Resurrection and the Scriptures

What the resurrection did not mean—

- A proof of life after death.
- The appearance of Jesus' spirit or ghost.
- Direct proof that Jesus is God.

What the resurrection did mean—

1. Announced the beginning of the KINGDOM
 - Daniel 12:2-3; Isaiah 26:19 (John 5:28-29)
 - Hosea 6:1-2 (John 2:19-21; Mt 16:21)
 - Psalms 16:10-11 (Acts 2:24-31)
 - Deuteronomy 18:15 (Acts 3:19-22)
 - Psalm 110:1 (Acts 2:31-36)
2. Provided God's solution to man's state of spiritual death—REGENERATION

The Resurrection and the Body

- Jesus' new body was the same, but slightly different.
- Jesus ascended in His body to reign from heaven as God-man UNTIL he returns. (Ac 1:9-11)

The Resurrection and the Kingdom

New Life created with a new purpose in the UNTIL time

New hope for "life after death" during the UNTIL time

- Immediately be with Jesus. (Luke 23:43; Philippians 1:23; 2 Corinthians 5:8-9; John 17:24)
- In God's hand (Acts 7:59-60), and supremely happy. (Revelation 14:13).
- In a prepared place, receiving comfort & recognizable. (John 14:2-3; Luke 16:19-31; Revelation 6:9-11)
- Active enjoyment of our new life. (Psalms 16:11; John 17:24; Romans 8:18)
- We may know time and happenings on earth. (Luke 9:30-31)
- Our babies and small children will be there. (Matthew 19:13-14; 2 Samuel 12:19-23)

New assurance for resurrected life after the UNTIL time

- 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17
- 1 Corinthians 15:51-54