

## Creation to Christ, Lesson 30: (Jesus rises, sends, & ascends)

### Jesus Rises (Mark 16:1-14, John 20:1-18)

#### What is the credibility of the resurrection?

**First;** Jesus' own \_\_\_\_\_ that he would rise from the dead.

**Second;** The empty tomb and the \_\_\_\_\_ to produce a body.

**Third;** The \_\_\_\_\_ change in the disciples.

**Fourth;** Numerous eyewitnesses.

**Fifth;** The \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of the witnesses

**Sixth;** The life-changing power of Christ \_\_\_\_\_.

#### What is the significance of the resurrection?

**#1** The resurrection is one of the major \_\_\_\_\_ that Jesus Christ is **the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.** (Rom 1:4)

**#2** Jesus' resurrection gives us an \_\_\_\_\_ that we can have **forgiveness from our \_\_\_\_\_.** (1 Cor 15:17)

**#3** The resurrection tells the world that the kingdom of God is ruled by a \_\_\_\_\_ sovereign Lord. (Rev 1:17-18)

**#4** Jesus' resurrection proves to us that **we can be \_\_\_\_\_ that we will be \_\_\_\_\_ from the dead.** (Rom 8:11)

*And if Christ has not been raised, (1) your faith is futile; (2) you are still in your sins. Then (3) those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost. If only for this life we have hope in Christ, (4) we are of all people most to be pitied. More than that, (5) we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead...*

**(1 Corinthians 15:15, 17-20)**

#### **“But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead...”**

**(1)** Our Faith is well-founded.

**(2)** We are forgiven all of our sins.

**(3)** Those who have believed, and since died are with Christ.

**(4)** We are the people to be most envied.

**(5)** The apostles are credible witnesses about God.

## Jesus Instructs (Luke 24:44-49, Acts 1:4-8)

The Early Church was to...

1. \_\_\_\_\_ in Jerusalem and not leave the city
2. Wait, and not begin their task, \_\_\_\_\_ the Holy Spirit was received
3. To begin spreading the Gospel near and far, all the way to the \_\_\_\_\_ of the earth, to every tribe, tongue and nation.

## Jesus Sends (Matt 28:19-20, Mark 16:15-16, Acts 1:8)

Jesus tells the disciples, and all the believers present...

1. To \_\_\_\_\_
2. To \_\_\_\_\_ by teaching them everything Christ has commanded and baptize them.
3. To \_\_\_\_\_ in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria
4. To \_\_\_\_\_ on to the ends of the earth, into every tribe, tongue and nation.

## Jesus Ascends (Mark 16:19-20, Acts 1:9-11)

After saying this, **he was taken up into a cloud** while they were watching, and they could no longer see him. As they strained to **see him rising into heaven**, two white-robed men suddenly stood among them. "Men of Galilee," they said, "why are you standing here staring into heaven? **Jesus has been taken from you into heaven**, but someday he will return from heaven in the same way you saw him go!" (Acts 1:9-11)

## Application

"But **do not forget this one thing**, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. **The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise**, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with us, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come like a thief. The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare. **Since everything will be destroyed in this way, what kind of people ought you to be?** You ought to live holy and godly lives as you look forward to the day of God and speed its coming. That day will bring about the destruction of the heavens by fire, and the elements will melt in the heat. (2 Peter 3:8-12)