

# BEING RAISED FROM THE DEAD

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When Jesus rose from the dead, on that third day; He didn't just come out of the grave. A Great Divine work had been completed.

Mankind in general, as a whole; had been sanctified by His body; reconciled by His blood, and by His stripes we are healed. Our debt to our Creator had been signed "Paid in Full" by the precious blood of Christ.

With our sin upon Him; Jesus felt His Father turn away from Him. God couldn't look at Him because the sin of whole world was upon Him, including ours; Jesus crying out to His Father: my God, my God, why has thou forsaken me? His Father had to have felt His beloved Son's pain. The anguish that the Son **and** the Father felt at that very moment; there are no words to describe.

When Jesus entered into the veil, the middle wall of partition was torn down; God not only received Jesus payment; He accepted that payment. And as promised; Christ now sits exalted at the right hand of God.

It saddens my heart to think that such a Great Divine work; can not be seen by the masses of humanity. To realize this has already been done in their behalf; if they would only take advantage of the provision God has provided them in Christ Jesus; and believe it.

All men whither they be alive or in the grave will be resurrected at the appearing of Christ. Daniel put it this way: And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

Jesus said this: .... for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear His voice: and shall come forth: they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation. Jn.5:28,29.

And they that be wise, shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever. Dan.12:2,3.

For those of us who are **in** Christ; have also been raised from the dead in the first fruit sense; when we were buried with Him by baptism into His death: that like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. Rom.6:4.

Buried with Him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with Him **through the faith** of the operation of God, who hath raised Him from the dead. Col.2:12.

This risen Christ has made us accepted of God in the beloved; not rejected or destroyed.

We were in the world without God and without hope. But because Christ was victorious over death and the grave, we can with resounding joy say: "We once were" But not now! Praise His Holy Name!

God now satisfied, Jesus now glorified, our Great High Priest sits on the throne interceding for us; sending His power to us by His Holy Spirit enabling us to overcome the grasp and temptations of this evil world, the flesh and the devil.

Christ! Who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him. Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ye do. I Thess.5:10,11.

We have been made alive! Unto God. By Christ being raised from the dead.

For the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first. Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord. I Thess.4:16,17.

Let us rejoice in the Risen Exalted Christ; who accomplished our so great salvation; when God raised Him from the dead! Amen.

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