

## The Blessings of the Resurrection in Our Lives

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## The Blessings of the Resurrection in Our Lives

Easter imposes two major questions:

*Why did Christ has to rise?*

*What benefits and blessings we gained from his resurrection?*

**Why did Christ has to rise?**

- Λ He had to rise because **he was life itself** Ain Him was life; and the life was the light of men@ (John 1:4). He that is life itself can ever remain dead, that=s why the Resurrection angel blamed the women at the tomb saying AWhy ye seek the living among the dead?@(Luke 24:5)
- Λ Jesus raised others from the death, with his command ALazarus comfort@. **The Giver of Life** showed that he can give back life to the dead with his own power. Some prophets in the old treatment raised dead people before like Elijah but they did that through lots of PRAYERS for God=s miracle, as for Jesus he raised the dead by his COMMAND. So the giver of life is

capable of raising himself.

- Λ Christ has risen to **fulfill the prophecies** of the old testament.
- Λ Jesus's death was for a certain mission to fulfill the salvation and to transfer the righteousness who died and were captured in hell
- Λ **Christ's divinity** didn't forsake him when he died his soul left his body BUT HIS DIVINITY DIDN'T LEAVE NEITHER HIS SOUL NOR HIS BODY that's why when the holy Joseph and Nicodemus were burying the body of our Lord, doubts entered their minds concerning His Divinity. Suddenly, a choir of angels appeared to them singing defiantly, "Holy God, Holy mighty, Holy immortal." The two righteous men, realizing their error, joined in the singing
- Λ Christ's resurrection has supported the disciple and gave them faith and strength that after they were that weak and even afraid to say that they knew Jesus; they became strong and sacrificed their lives to spread the Bible.
- Λ CHRIST HAD TO RISE TO ESTABLISH THE basic principle of Christianity and the church Holy secrets which he handed to the disciple during the 40 days after his resurrection.

*What benefits and blessings we gained from his resurrection?*

- Λ *The first blessing is that there is no impossibility. Everything is possible*  
Men do their best in all fields, but if they stand before God they will stop both work and abilities completely for every attempt will be of no use.

This was the sensation of Mary and Martha after the death of their brother Lazarus who had already been in the tomb for four days. It was said about him *By this time, there is a bad odour*. When our Lord Christ raised him from death, they became sure that there was no impossibility. After Jesus had raised him from death, Lazarus died once more and has not risen yet. But Jesus Christ, by His own Resurrection, conquered and smashed death forever. Christ's Resurrection was an eternal one after which there would be no more death

St. Paul the Apostle looked and everything at the power of this resurrection and said *Where, O death is your victory? Where, O death is your sting?*

Not only did men believe that all things are possible with God (Matthew 19:26), who is able to do everything, but the Apostle also says *I can do everything through Christ who gives me strength* (Philemon 4:13) He said *A I want to know Christ and the power of His resurrection* (Philemon 3:10).

The Holy Bible gives us a general rule about impossibility and says *Everything is possible for him who believes* (Mark 9:23)

Λ Establishing Christianity

It the Lord did rise who would have happened to the disciples and the message they are supposed to carry it to whole world. They were scared, frightened with every sense of the word, they all ran away from Jesus and some even denied him. But when they saw Jesus they had some sort of complete change in their characters, they are no longer afraid no longer hiding. Through Christ=s resurrection they were able preach the whole world and to tell everyone about Jesus. They with the power they got after Jesus resurrection sacrifice their lives for Christ=s sake.

Λ Longing for the eternal life

The apostle said Adesire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far.

The Apostle desires to be with Christ who rose from among the dead and ascended to heaven, He that sat on God=s right. Christ who said AWhen I am lifted up from earth I will draw all men to myself@

Christ who said AAm going there to prepare a place for you. I will come back and take you to be with Me that you also may be where Jam@. (John 14:2,3)

Love for eternal life made men long for something greater than life on earth, more dignified than substance and elements and more powerful than any desire or lust on earth.

The saints looked at the earth as a remote, strange and foreign land, they considered themselves aliens and foreigners on it, they longed for a heavenly residence, they wished to lead a spiritual and eternal life.

Λ By means of the Resurrection, human is cleared up both physically and spiritually

As for the bodies, some are raised spiritual and imperishable. They do not become tired or hungry, they do not feel thirst, they never fall ill or decompose.

They become like the angles of God in heaven. They rise taking the similarity of AHis glorified body@

Indeed, this brings back to our minds the happenings of the transfiguration on Mount Tabor. The spirit also takes part in the transfiguration. It returns as it had been in the beginning and resembles God=s image and likeness in an inexpressible purity.

**Conclusion:**

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