

“The Power of the Resurrection—Part 2”

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BIG SANDY, Texas—At our Bible study on Wednesday night, I continued with a series about the resurrection of the Son of God. The study discussed three aspects—Words that the Son of God said; Words that Luke wrote; and Words that Peter said.

Son of God mentioned resurrection

- Luke 9:21-22—The Son of God strictly warned and commanded the disciples to avoid passing along the following information: The Son of Man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders, chief priests and scribes—and be killed and be raised on the third day.

- Luke 18:31—The Son of God said that He and His disciples were going to Jerusalem to face what was written by the prophets.

- Luke 18:32—The Son of God said that He was going to be delivered to the gentiles to be mocked, insulted and spat upon.

- Luke 18:33—The Son of God said that He was going to be scourged and killed—before He would rise again on the third day.

Luke wrote about resurrection

- Luke 23:50—Joseph of Arimathea was a council member and a just man.

- Luke 23:51—Joseph had not consented to the decision and actions of how the people treated the Son of God.

- Luke 23:52—Joseph asked Pilate for the body of Jesus.

- Luke 23:53—Joseph took Christ’s body and laid Him in a new tomb.

- Luke 23:54—The preparation of the annual Sabbath drew near.

- Luke 23:55-56—The ladies prepared spices and fragrant oils before resting on the weekly Sabbath.

■ Luke 24:1-3—Very early on the first day of the week, certain women came to the tomb to find the tomb entrance open and the body of the Lord missing.

■ Luke 24:4-6—Two angels at the empty tomb asked: “Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but is risen.”

■ Luke 24:6-8—Remember that He spoke about being delivered into the hands of sinful men and being crucified—before rising again on third day.

■ Luke 24:9-11—When the ladies gave their observations to the 11 disciples and the rest, their words seemed like idle tales.

■ Luke 24:12—Peter went to the tomb to confirm what he had heard.

■ Luke 24:13-17—When two men were discussing the events that occurred in Jerusalem, the Son of God asked why they were so sad.

■ Luke 24:18—Cleopas asked: Are you a stranger in Jerusalem and haven’t heard what has happened there in these days?

■ Luke 24:21—The people were hoping that this was the prophesied time to redeem Israel—and it was the third day.

■ Luke 24:31—Finally, the people realized that this man was the Son of God.

■ Luke 24:34—The disciples spread the news that “the Lord is risen.”

■ Luke 24:46—The Son of God reiterated: It was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day.

(As we proceeded to the book of Acts, it is my assumption that the general view about Luke being the author of the book of Acts is true.)

■ Acts 1:22—Luke wrote that the replacement for Judas was expected to be someone who had been around during the baptism of John and a witness of the resurrection.

■ Acts 4:1-2—Luke wrote that the priests, the captain of the temple and the Sadducees were greatly disturbed that people were preaching about Jesus and the resurrection of the dead.

■ Acts 4:33—The apostles gave witness with great power to the resurrection of the Lord.

Peter spoke about resurrection

■ Acts 2:22-24—Peter reminded the audience that, after the people crucified the Son of God, the Father raised Him.

■ Acts 2:25-28—Peter quoted David about escaping from death—but he wasn’t speaking about himself.

- Acts 2:29—Peter mentioned that David was still in his tomb.
- Acts 2:30-31—Peter quoted David as knowing that God would raise up Christ to sit on a throne.
- Acts 2:32—Peter acknowledged that the Son of God was raised.
- Acts 2:33—Peter acknowledged that the Son was exalted to the right hand of God.
- Acts 4:10—Peter mentioned the important role of the Son of God.
- Acts 5:30-31—Peter mentioned that the God of our fathers raised up the Son of God (who was murdered by hanging on a tree)—and that God has exalted the Son of God to His right hand.
- Acts 10:39—Peter said they were witnesses of the Son of God being killed by hanging on a tree.
- Acts 10:40—Peter mentioned them that God raised up the Son on the third day.
- Acts 10:41—Peter reminded that about the interaction after He arose from the dead.
- 1 Peter 1:3—We have a living hope through the resurrection of the Son of God from the dead.
- 1 Peter 1:21—People believe in God (who raised the Son and gave Him glory)—so that our faith and hope are in God.
- 1 Peter 3:21-22—People are saved through the resurrection of the Son of God who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God—where angels, authorities and power have been made subject to Him.