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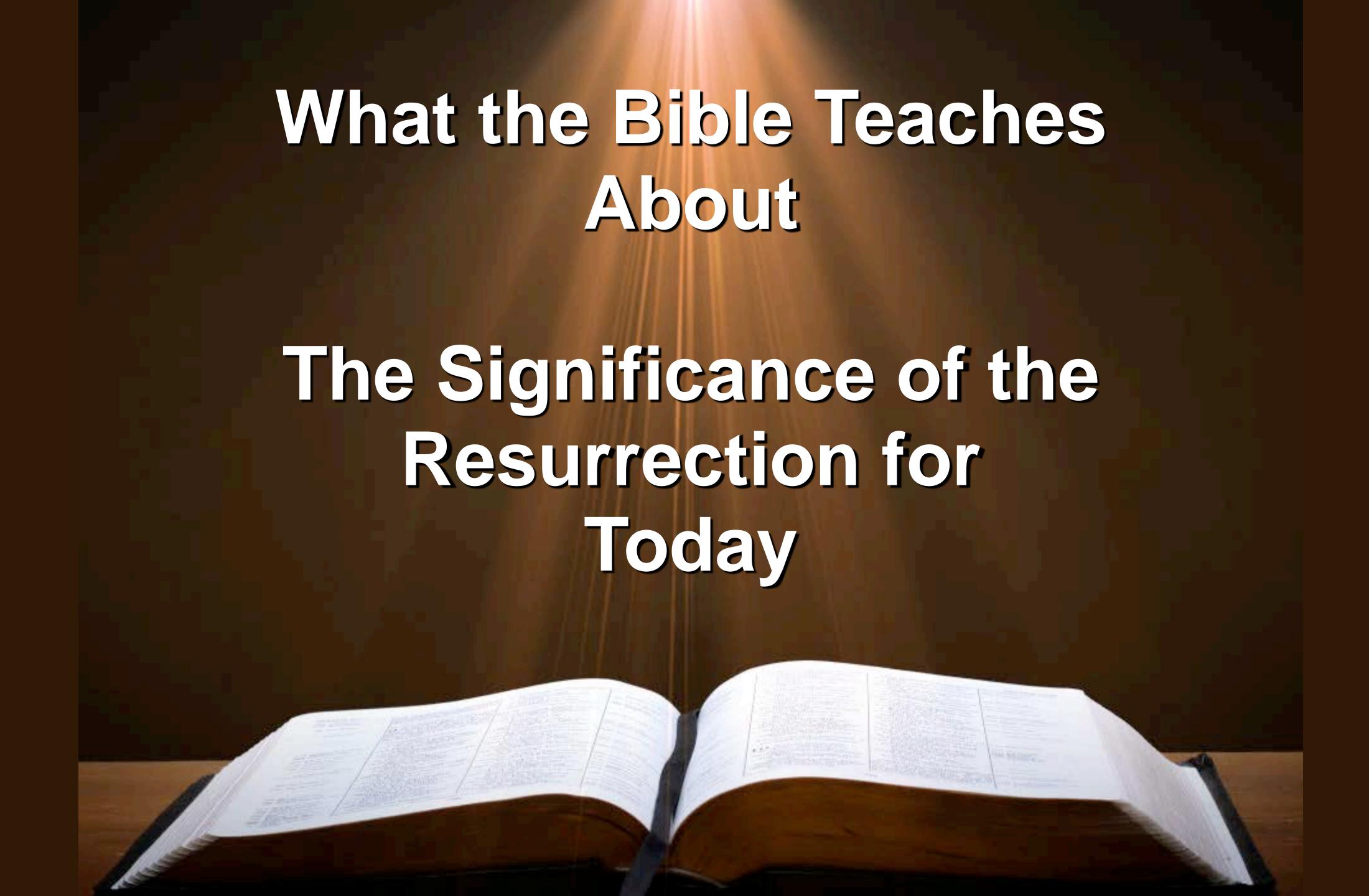


Acts 1:1, "The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach,

Acts 1:2, "until the day in which He was taken up, after He through the Holy Spirit had given commandments to the apostles whom He had chosen,

Acts 1:3, "to whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many infallible proofs, being seen by them during forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God."

- 1 Cor. 15:13, "But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ is not risen.
- 1 Cor. 15:14, "And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty.
- 1 Cor. 15:15, "Yes, and we are found false witnesses of God, because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ, whom He did not raise up—if in fact the dead do not rise.
- 1 Cor. 15:16, "For if the dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen.
- 1 Cor. 15:17, "And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins!
- 1 Cor. 15:18, "Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished."



- 1. The resurrection is at the center of the reality and veracity of the gospel.
 - 1 Cor. 15:3, "For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,
 - 1 Cor. 15:4, "and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures,"

2. Human Physical Death has been defeated.

- 1 Cor. 15:54, "So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: 'Death is swallowed up in victory.'
- 1 Cor. 15:55, "'O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?'
- 1 Cor. 15:56, "The sting of death is sin, and the strength of sin is the law.
- 1 Cor. 15:57, "But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."

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1 Pet. 1:3, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead," [NKJV]

Rom. 8:11, "But if the Spirit of Him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, He who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through His Spirit who dwells in you." [NKJV]

Rom. 8:20, "For the creation was subjected to futility, not willingly, but because of Him who subjected it in hope; Rom. 8:21, "because the creation itself also will be delivered from the bondage of corruption into the glorious liberty of the children of God.

Rom. 8:22, "For we know that the whole creation groans and labors with birth pangs together until now. Rom. 8:23, "Not only that, but we also who have the firstfruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves groan within ourselves, eagerly waiting for the adoption, the redemption

Rom. 8:24, "For we were saved in this hope, but hope that is seen is not hope; for why does one still hope for what he sees?"

of our body.

1 Cor. 6:14, "And God both raised up the Lord and will also raise us up by His power." [NKJV]

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Psa. 9:8, "He shall judge the world in righteousness, and He shall administer judgment for the peoples in uprightness [integrity]."

Psa. 96:13, "For He is coming, for He is coming to judge the earth. He shall judge the world with righteousness, and the peoples with His truth."

Psa. 98:9, "For He is coming to judge the earth. With righteousness He shall judge the world, and the peoples with equity [integrity]."

John 5:22, "For the Father judges no one, but has committed all judgment to the Son,"

John 5:26, "For as the Father has life in Himself, so He has granted the Son to have life in Himself,

John 5:27, "and has given Him authority to execute judgment also, because He is the Son of Man.

John 5:28, "Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice

John 5:29, "and come forth—those who have done [the] good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done [the] evil, to the resurrection of condemnation."

5. The resurrection of Christ validates His claim to be the Son of God. Jesus is who He claimed to be; He was God incarnate, "God with us"—Immanuel, Isa. 7:14 with Isa. 9:6

Isa. 7:14, "Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel."

Matt. 1:23, "'Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name <u>Immanuel</u>,' which is translated, 'God with us.'"

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Rom. 6:4, "Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life.

Rom. 6:5, "For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection," [NKJV]

Rom. 7:4, "Therefore, my brethren, you also have become dead to the law through the body of Christ, that you may be married to another—to <u>Him who was raised from the dead, that we should bear fruit to God</u>." [NKJV]

7. We are to learn and pray that we might come to know the power of that resurrection in this our current spiritual life.

Php. 3:10, "that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death,

Php. 3:11, "if, by any means, I may attain to the resurrection from the dead." [NKJV]

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Php. 3:12, "Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me. Php. 3:13, "Brethren, I do not count myself to have apprehended; but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead,

Php. 3:14, "I press toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus."

9. The resurrection of Christ is the basis for our being positionally raised and seated together with Christ, which realization should transform our priorities in life.

Eph. 2:6, "and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus," [NKJV]

Col. 2:12, "buried with Him in baptism, in which you also were raised with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead." [NKJV]
Col. 3:1, "If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God." [NKJV]

Conclusion:

1 Cor. 15:58, "Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable [firmly persistent], always abounding in the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord." [RD]