## Resurrection of Jesus He "is risen" Luke 24

Jesus came bled, died upon the cross, was buried in a rich man's borrowed grave But death could not hold the Son of God and He arose by the power of His sinless life to save us in our human suffering ... such as Job's suffering. Job was told that his vast herd of camels was stolen and his servants were killed by Chaldean robbers. At the same time another servant reported his heard of oxen stolen and his servants killed by Sabean (suh-BEE-un) robbers. Soon the report came that 7,000 sheep and the attending servants were killed by a thunderstorm. Then his family of 10 children was killed by a cyclone. Often suffering seems to fall upon those who deserve it the least. We don't understand the problem of human suffering any more today than they did in Job's day. The more injustice we see the bigger the question mark grows. Finally, the devil afflicts Job's body with what is called Job's disease ... which is a skin disease with thousands of sores.

Job 19:13-25 He hath put my brethren far from me, and mine acquaintance are verily estranged from me. 14 My kinsfolk have failed, and my familiar friends have forgotten me. 15 They that dwell in mine house, and my maids, count me for a stranger: I am an alien in their sight. 16 I called my servant, and he gave [me] no answer; I intreated him with my mouth. 17 My breath is strange to my wife, though I intreated for the children's [sake] of mine own body. 18 Yea, young children despised me; I arose, and they spake against me. 19 All my inward friends abhorred me: and they whom I loved are turned against me. 20 My bone cleaveth to my skin and to my flesh, and I am escaped with the skin of my teeth. 21 Have pity upon me, have pity upon me, 0 ye my friends; for the hand of God hath touched me. 22 Why do ye persecute me as God, and are not satisfied with my flesh? 23 Oh that my words were now written! oh that they were printed in a book! 24 That they were graven with an iron pen and lead in the rock forever!

Now the sun breaks through the clouds of darkness with the greatest expression of faith ever uttered by mortal man.

Job 19:25 For I know [*that*] my redeemer liveth, and [*that*] he shall stand at the latter [*day*] upon the earth.

Redeemer Hebrew gal-al according to the ancient law of kinship, a redeemer is a revenger, it means to purchase, to deliver, to ransom, to be the next of kin, to buy back the relatives property. Job looked forward in faith to the Christ, the Messiah who would pay the price for his sins. Peter says about redeemed cf:

I Peter 1:18-19 Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, [as] silver and gold, from your vain conversation [received] by

tradition from your fathers; 19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

Job 19:25-26 For I know [that] my redeemer liveth, and [that] he shall stand at the latter [day] upon the earth. 26 And [though] after my skin [worms] destroy this [body], yet in my flesh shall I see God: 27 Whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes shall behold, and not another; [though] my reins be consumed within me

Psalm 22:26 The meek shall eat and be satisfied: they shall praise the LORD that seek him: your heart shall live for ever.

Isaiah 26:19 Thy dead [*men*] shall live, [*together with*] my dead body shall they arise. Awake and sing, ye that dwell in dust: for thy dew [*is as*] the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead.

Hosea 13:14 I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death: O death, I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction: repentance (changing MY mind) shall be hid from mine eyes.

Daniel 12:2 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.

John 2:19 Jesus answered and said unto them, Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.

Matthew 16:21 From that time forth began Jesus to shew unto his disciples, how that he must go unto Jerusalem, and suffer many things of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and be raised again the third day.

Matthew 26:32 But after I am risen again, I will go before you into Galilee.

Luke 1: 1-4 Forasmuch as many have taken in hand to set forth in order a declaration of those things which are most surely believed among us, 2 Even as they delivered them unto us, which from the beginning were eyewitnesses, and ministers of the word; 3 It seemed good to me also, having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first, to write unto thee in order, most excellent Theophilus, 4 That thou mightest know the certainty of those things, wherein thou hast been instructed.

Luke 24:1 Now upon the first [day] of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre (SEP-ul-cur), bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain [others] with them.

" ... they came unto the sepulchre ..." The antecedent of the pronoun "they" is "the women who had followed him from Galilee" Luke 23:55; and, from a comparison with Luke 24:10, these seem to have been ANOTHER group of women,

Luke 24:2 And they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre.

The rock-hewn tomb was sealed with a stone which was a large round wheel-like rock fitted into a groove parallel to the entrance.

Luke 24:3 And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Jesus.

The empty grave of Jesus, along with the undisturbed grave clothes within, proved the resurrection of Jesus to be a fact; but to minds so long schooled against any possibility of a resurrection from the dead, it was a fact which they, could not yet fully comprehend.

Luke 24:4 And it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereabout, behold, two men stood by them in shining garments:

They are later described as angels ... who else could shine in a dark tomb?

Luke 24:5 And as they were afraid, and bowed down [their] faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek ye the living among the dead?

" ... Why seek ye the living among the dead? ... "There are many who still look for Jesus among the dead. There are those who regard Jesus as the greatest man and the noblest hero who ever lived, who lived the loveliest life ever lived on earth and who then died. That will not do! Jesus is not dead; he is alive! He is not a hero of the past, but a living presence today

Luke 24:6 He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake unto you when he was yet in Galilee,

Now we have the theme: "he is risen"
What did the angels want them to remember that He had said in Galilee?

Luke 9:22 Saying, The Son of man must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be slain, and be raised the third day.

Luke 24:7 Saying, The Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.

Luke 24:8 And they remembered his words,

Luke 24:9 And returned from the sepulchre, and told all these things unto the eleven, and to all the rest.

Luke 24:10 It was Mary Magdalene, and Joanna, and Mary [the mother] of James, and other [women that were] with them, which told these things unto the apostles.

Luke 8:3 And Joanna the wife of Chuza (CHOO-sa) Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others, which ministered unto him of their substance.

Luke 24:11 And their words seemed to them as idle tales, and they believed them not.

Old wives' tales ... just silly women talk ...

Luke 24:12 Then arose Peter, and ran unto the sepulchre; and stooping down, he beheld the linen clothes laid by themselves, and departed, wondering in himself at that which was come to pass.

Here Luke abbreviated the whole incident so fully presented in

John 20:1-9 The first [day] of the week cometh Mary Magdalene early, when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre, and seeth the stone taken away from the sepulchre. 2 Then she runneth, and cometh to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and saith unto them, They have taken away the Lord out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him. 3 Peter therefore went forth, and that other disciple, and came to the sepulchre. 4 So they ran both together: and the other disciple did outrun Peter, and came first to the sepulchre. 5 And he stooping down, [and looking in], saw the linen clothes lying; yet went he not in. 6 Then cometh Simon Peter following him, and went into the sepulchre, and seeth the linen clothes lie, 7 And the napkin, that was about his head, not lying with the linen clothes, but wrapped together in a place by itself. 8 Then went in also that other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed. 9 For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead.

A thief stealing the body wouldn't take the body out of the grave clothes. Here a study of the Greek of all 4 Gospel accounts indicates: The grave cloth kept the same position they had when the body was in them. One large sheet Jesus' back was laid upon, folded over from the head down, with strips of lines tied around for easy lifting and a separate face cloth that had covered His face.

Luke 24:13 And, behold, two of them went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem [about] threescore furlongs.

Threescore furlongs (about seven miles) is 60 stadia: a Roman stadium is 607 feet.

Josephus agrees with the distance to Emmaus.

Luke 24:14 And they talked together of all these things which had happened.

Luke 24:15 And it came to pass, that, while they communed [together] and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them.

Luke 24:16 But their eyes were holden that they should not know him.

Mark 16:12 After that he appeared in another form unto two of them, as they walked, and went into the country.

Luke 24:17 And he said unto them, What manner of communications [*are*] these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad?

Luke 24:18 And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering said unto him, Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days?

Such wonderment was natural. Here is spontaneous testimony to the fact that all men were conscious of the dramatic events related to the Passion of Jesus Christ. "This thing was not done in a corner" cf: Acts 26:26. The highest officials of government, both religious and secular, the total population of Jerusalem, with more than a million others there to observe the Passover, from all over the Roman Empire ... all were interested, as either observers or participants, in the world-shattering drama of the crucifixion of Jesus our Lord.

Luke 24:19 And he said unto them, What things? And they said unto him, Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, which was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people:

Greek prof-ay-tace, a genuine prophet: cf:

Acts 2:22 Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know:

Luke 24:20 And how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him.

Luke 24:21 But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and beside all this, today is the third day since these things were done.

"...But we trusted that it had been he ... "Tragic is the use of the past tense verb; for by it these two confessed that all their hope and dreams of the Kingdom of God coming had vanished. How could a dead prophet redeem Israel?

Luke 24:22 Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre;

Luke 24:23 And when they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that he was alive.

Luke 24:24 And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found [it] even so as the women had said: but him they saw not.

Luke 24:25 Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken:

Jesus rebukes them for always giving way to doubt and distrust. The cross is God's method of human redemption.

Luke 24:26 Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory?

Luke 24:27 And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.

There are over 300 prophecies of Jesus in the Old Testament and a long walk of some six or seven miles would have given enough time for mentioning a large number of the glorious prophecies fulfilled in Jesus our Lord.

Luke 24:28 And they drew nigh unto the village, whither they went: and he made as though he would have gone further.

Luke 24:29 But they constrained him, saying, Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. And he went in to tarry with them.

Luke 24:30 And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed [if], and brake, and gave to them.

Luke 24:31 And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight.

Luke 24:32 And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?

Nothing can make the peoples heart burn but the opening of the scriptures.

Luke 24:33 And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them,

From this verse it is clear that a considerable number were present, including (presumably) certain women mentioned in Luke 24:10, and now further augmented by the arrival of these two disciples who had just seen the Lord.

Luke 24:34 Saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon.

Paul declared that the Lord "appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve" I Cor. 15:5.

Luke 24:35 And they told what things [were done] in the way, and how he was known of them in breaking of bread.

Luke 24:36 And as they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace [be] unto you.

John 20:19-23 Then the same day at evening, being the first [day] of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled for fear of the Jews, came Jesus and stood in the midst, and saith unto them, Peace [be] unto you. 20 And when he had so said, he shewed unto them [his] hands and his side. Then were the disciples glad, when they saw the Lord. 21 Then said Jesus to them again, Peace [be] unto you: as [my] Father hath sent me, even so send I you. 22 And when he had said this, he breathed on [them], and saith unto them,

Receive ye the Holy Ghost: 23 Whose soever sins ye remit, they are remitted unto them; [and] whose soever [sins] ye retain, they are retained.

It's all up to you the Apostles. If you Preach the Gospel to all the world and every creature thus fulfilling the Great Commission ... you'll get the job done many will have their sins remitted. If you don't many will be lost in their sins.

Luke 24:37 But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit.

Luke 24:38 And he said unto them, Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts?

Luke 24:39 Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.

Jesus invites to use three of their five senses: hear, see, and feel.

Luke 24:40 And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them [his] hands and [his] feet.

Luke 24:41 And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, Have ye here any meat?

Luke 24:42 And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honeycomb.

Luke 24:43 And he took [if], and did eat before them.

Acts 1:3 To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion by many infallible proofs, being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:

Luke 24:44 And he said unto them, These [*are*] the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and [*in*] the prophets, and [*in*] the psalms, concerning me.

Luke 24:45 Then opened he their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures,

The Greek indicates he got his point across, they fully understood, he succeeded in completely opening their understanding.

Luke 24:46 And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day:

Luke 24:47 And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

Acts 2:38 Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.

Zechariah 12:10 And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon me whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him, as one mourneth for [his] only [son], and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for [his] firstborn.

Zechariah 13:1 In that day there shall be a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem for sin and for uncleanness.

Zechariah 13:6-7 And [one] shall say unto him, What [are] these wounds in thine hands? Then he shall answer, [Those] with which I was wounded [in] the house of my friends. 7 Awake, O sword, against my shepherd, and against the man [that is] my fellow, saith the LORD of hosts: smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be scattered: and I will turn mine hand upon the little ones.

Some say no, no that's a prophecy of Jesus' second coming. Not so! Jesus quotes this verse at the last supper and said Zechariah was talking about Him and His coming crucifixion April 5, 30 AD.

Matthew 26: 31-32 Then saith Jesus unto them, All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered abroad. 32 But after I am risen again, I will go before you into Galilee.

Luke 24:48 And ye are witnesses of these things.

Mark 16:15-20 And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. 16 He that believeth and is baptized shall be saved; but he that believeth not shall be damned. 17 And these signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with new tongues; 18 They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover. 19

So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God. 20 And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with [them], and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.

Matthew 28:18-20 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. 19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:<sup>2</sup> 20 Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you alway, [even] unto the end of the world. Amen.

Luke 24:49 And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.

Luke 24:50 And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them.

Luke 24:51 And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.

Luke 24:52 And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy:

Luke 24:53 And were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen.

Luke's medical training would have prejudiced him against a bodily resurrection.

Yet, having traced all things accurately, he interviewed the eyewitnesses of the Jerusalem Church and investigated all the available sources Luke was so convinced of its reality that he recorded one of the most beautiful and complete accounts of it. ...

This man of science, this historian of the first order stands against those who would deny this Miracle of Miracles as Paul says cf:

Romans 1:4 And declared [to be] the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead:

Sources: KJV via theWord.com, Hailey's Bible Handbook, Coffman's Commentary