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Doctrine of the resurrection of Christ

The English word resurrection appears 43 times in the NT. The Greek word primarily used in the NT is “anastasis.” And this word occurs 41 times.

Definition of Resurrection
Future, bodily rising from the dead of all persons. Believers in Christ rise to eternal life and bliss with God; unbelievers to eternal torment and separation from God.
Definition of Resurrection (expanded)

The biblical doctrine of the resurrection teaches that man will die once (Heb. 9:27) and that at the resurrection his mortal body will be transformed into an immortal one (1 Cor. 15:42; see Rom. 6:9). This means that our resurrected body is a physical one, not a spiritual one. We know this because Jesus was resurrected in a physical body (Luke 24:39; John 20:27), and we are told that we will have a resurrected body similar to His (1 John 3:2; 1 Cor. 15:35–49).
Predictions of the resurrection by Jesus Himself

John 3:14 “As Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of Man be lifted up;

Matt. 12:40 for just as JONAH WAS THREE DAYS AND THREE NIGHTS IN THE BELLY OF THE SEA MONSTER, so will the Son of Man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

John 2:19 Jesus answered them, “Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.”
John 2:20 The Jews then said, “It took forty-six years to build this temple, and will You raise it up in three days?”
Predictions of the resurrection by Jesus Himself

Turn to Mark 8:31
And He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.

Turn to Mark 9:31
For He was teaching His disciples and telling them, “The Son of Man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him; and when He has been killed, He will rise three days later.”
Predictions of the resurrection by Jesus Himself

Turn to Mark 10:32
They were on the road going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was walking on ahead of them; and they were amazed, and those who followed were fearful. And again He took the twelve aside and began to tell them what was going to happen to Him,

Mark 10:33 saying, “Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes; and they will condemn Him to death and will hand Him over to the Gentiles.”
Proof of the resurrection

Matthew 28:1-20

Mark 16:1-8

John 20:1-21;25

Biblical implications of the Resurrection (Doctrinal)

1. *The resurrection of Christ insures our Justification*

We learn this from the following verse in **Romans 4:25**

- He who was delivered over because of our transgressions, and was raised because of our justification.

When Christ is raised from the dead, it was God's declaration of the approval of Christ's work of redemption.

By raising Christ from the dead God the Father is in effect saying that He approved of Christ's work of suffering and dying for our sins, that His work was completed and that Christ no longer had any need to remain dead.
Biblical implications of the Resurrection (Doctrinal)

There was no penalty left to pay for sin, nor more wrath of God to bear, no more guilt or punishment for all had been completely paid.

In the resurrection God the Father was saying to Christ, "I approve what You have done, and You find favor in My sight."
2. *The resurrection of Christ insures our Regeneration*

Turn to **1 Peter 1:3**

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

Here we see that Peter specifically connects the resurrection with our regeneration or new birth.

In His resurrection the Lord Jesus earned for us a new life just like His. We don't receive all of that new life immediately because our bodies still remain subject to weakness, aging, disease and death. But our spirits are made alive with new resurrection power.
Turn to Ephesians 1:19-20;
and what is the surpassing greatness of His power toward us who believe. These are in accordance with the working of the strength of His might which He brought about in Christ, when He raised Him from the dead and seated Him at His right hand in the heavenly places,

The apostle Paul teaches us that the power which God raised Christ from the dead is the same power that is now at work within us.
This new resurrection power in us includes power to gain more victory over remaining sin in our lives. As we learn in Romans 6:1-14. (more about this in the practical outworking)

And even though we will never be perfect in this life, the resurrection power includes power for ministry in the work of the kingdom. (Acts 1:8)
3. The resurrection of Christ insures that we will receive perfect resurrection bodies as well.

The most extensive discussion we have in the NT regarding the connection between the resurrection of Christ and our resurrection is found in 1 Corinthians 15:12-58

In calling Christ the "first fruits" Paul is using a metaphor from agriculture to indicate that we will be just like Christ. Just as first fruits or the first taste of the ripening crop show what the rest of the harvest will be like for that crop, so Christ as the first fruits shows what our resurrection bodies will be like when, in God's final harvest, He raises us from the dead and brings us into His presence.
Biblical implications of the Resurrection (Practical)

1. The apostle Paul sees that the resurrection has application as it relates to our obedience to God in this life.

1 Corinthians 15:58 - Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your toil is not in vain in the Lord.

It because the fact that Christ was raised from the dead that now as believers we are in Christ. Therefore we are to continue steadfastly in the Lord's work. The work we do, by the Spirit, to share the gospel and to build people up in the kingdom have eternal significance.
2. An application of the resurrection is the obligation to stop yielding to sin in our lives.

When the apostle Paul teaches on considering ourselves to be dead to sin he ties that to our union with Christ and His resurrection. (Romans 6:3-4)

3. The apostle Paul encourages us, when we think about the resurrection to focus on our future heavenly reward as our goal.

Paul sees the resurrection as a time when all of the struggles of this life will be repaid. (Colossians 3:1-4)
The results of the resurrection mean:

_Death no longer has any dominion over Christ_

**Romans 6:9:** “We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him.”

_The Lord Jesus is our constant advocate before the Father_

**Romans 8:34:** “Christ Jesus is the one who died—more than that, who was raised—who is at the right hand of God, who indeed is interceding for us.”
Jesus’ resurrection was the beginning and guarantee of our resurrection.

2 Corinthians 4:14: “He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence.”

We were raised with Jesus so that our true life is hidden now in him.

Colossians 3:1-4: “If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. . . . Your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.”
The result of the resurrection means we are born again to a living hope.

1 Peter 1:3: “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.”

The result of the resurrection means that Jesus has a name above every name and every knee will bow to him.

Philippians 2:9-10: “God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth.”
The resurrection of Jesus fulfilled the Scriptures and the promises of God.

1 Corinthians 15:4: “He was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.”

The result of the resurrection means, Jesus was raised, He has received the promise of the Spirit and poured out the Spirit on us.

Acts 2:33: “Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you yourselves are seeing and hearing.”
Because of the resurrection, He gives repentance and forgiveness of sins.

Acts 5:31: “God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins.”

The result of the resurrection means, Jesus is now appointed by God to judge the living and the dead.

Acts 17:31: “He has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”
God secured our justification by raising Jesus from the dead.

Romans 4:25: “He was delivered up for our trespasses and raised for our justification.”

The result of the resurrection means that Christ takes the place for us that the law once had so that we can bear fruit for God.

Romans 7:4: “Likewise, my brothers, you also have died to the law through the body of Christ, so that you may belong to another, to him who has been raised from the dead, in order that we may bear fruit for God.”
The result of the resurrection means that he now has the glory for which we were made. Our ultimate destiny is to see him as he is.

John 17:5, 24: “And now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had with you before the world existed. . . . Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.”