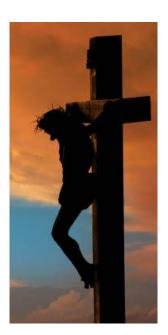
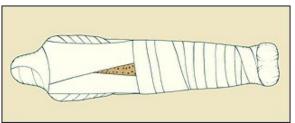
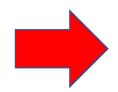
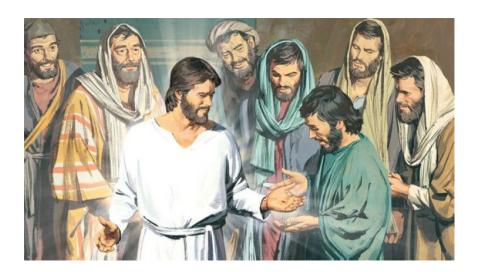
Jesus' Resurrection & Our "Standing Tall"







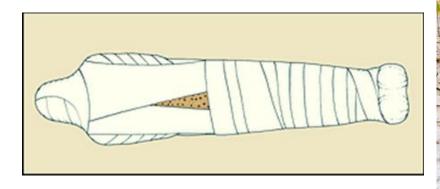




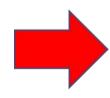
1 Cor. 15:1-8

Now, brothers and sisters, I want to remind you of the gospel I preached to you, which you received and on which you have taken your stand. By this gospel you are saved, if you hold firmly to the word I preached to you. Otherwise, you have believed in vain.

For what I received I passed on to you as of first importance: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, and then to the Twelve. After that, he appeared to more than five hundred of the brothers and sisters at the same time, most of whom are still living, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles, last of all he appeared to me also, as to one abnormally born.

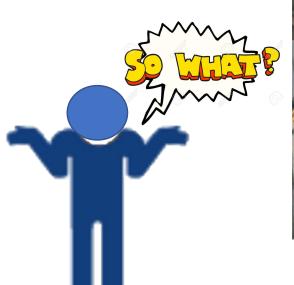






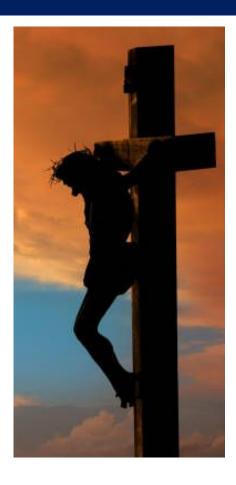


- •Jesus rose from the dead, so what?
- •What does that Jesus event have to do with me today?

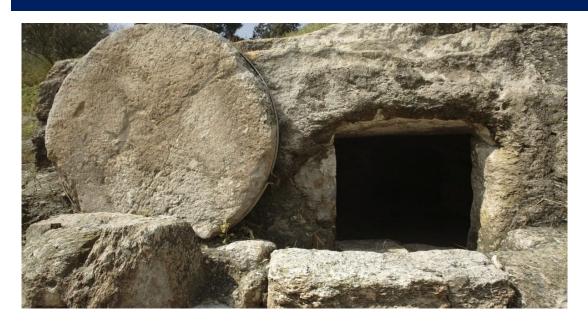


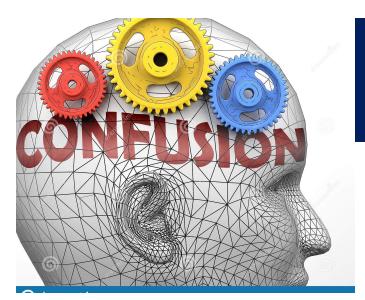


Yes, Jesus died for our sins!



But what did Jesus' resurrection do for us?





"How are the dead raised? With what kind of body will they come?" (v.36)

Jesus' Bodily Resurrection & Our Bodies?

(v.12) But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, ([v.11) and this is what you believed

how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead?





Are we now free to return to "normal" life?

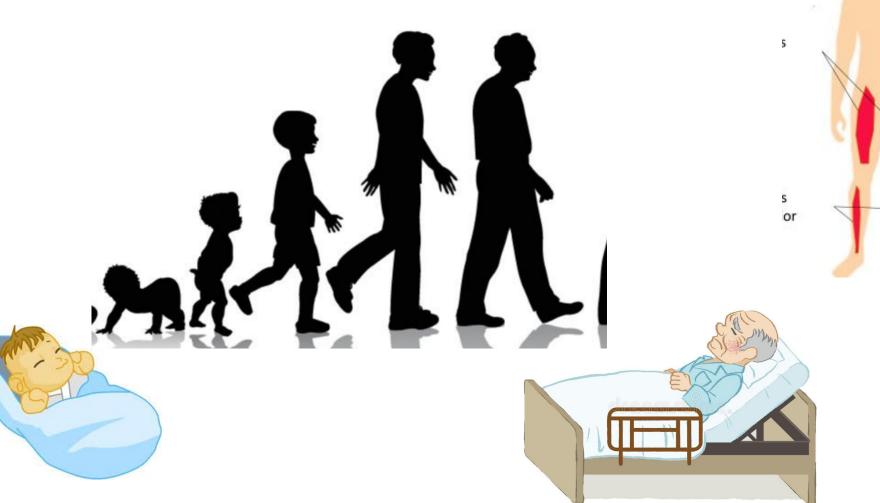


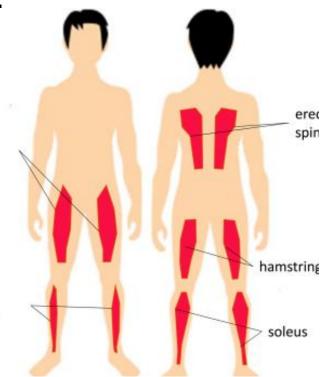






Homo Erectus, upright human





άνάστασις

anastasis / resurrection



στέγω

stegō / bear; endure; stand





Jesus' Resurrection: What the event means to us (in 1 Cor 15)?

1

"Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" (v.55) 2

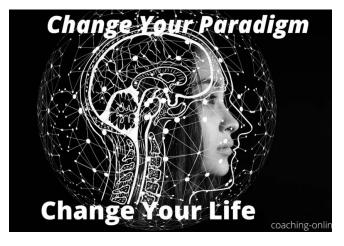
Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. (v.20)

3

The first man Adam became a living being"; the last Adam, a life-giving spirit. The spiritual did not come first, but the natural, and after that the spiritual. And just as we have borne the image of the earthly man, so shall we bear the image of the heavenly man. (v.45)

Jesus' Resurrection & L-I-F-E not Death as the way of thinking (Paradigm)







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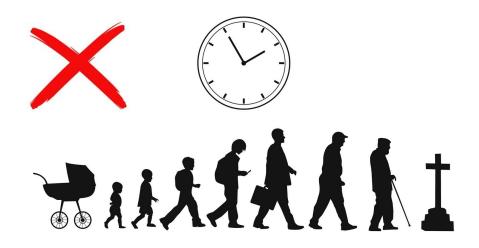
2 Jesus' Resurrection & The Meaning of a LIFETIME

But now Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

1 Cor. 15:20

What is a Lifetime?

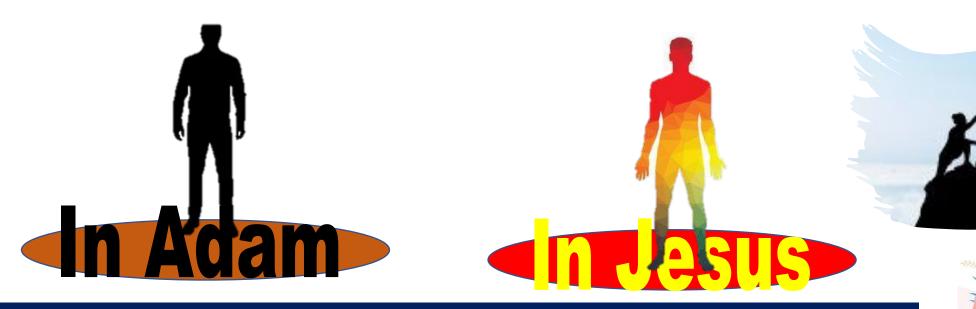




But God gives it a body as he has determined, and to each kind of seed he gives its own body. Not all flesh is the same: People have one kind of flesh, animals have another, birds another and fish another. There are also heavenly bodies and there are earthly bodies; but the splendor of the heavenly bodies is one kind, and the splendor of the earthly bodies is another. The sun has one kind of splendor, the moon another and the stars another; and star differs from star in splendor. (vv.38-41)



Jesus' Resurrection & Our Growth & Transformation



The first man Adam became a living being; the last Adam, a life-giving spirit. ... And just as we have borne the image of the earthly man, so shall we bear the image of the heavenly man. (v.45)

Concluding Challenge:



Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain.

1 Corinthians 15:58





