

How Did Jesus Rise from the Dead?

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Acts 2:22-41

Introduction: Wouldn't it be great if there was a book in the Bible that recorded what motivated the first followers of Christ?

Background: Peter, one of Jesus' first followers, tells a large crowd about the **resurrection** of Jesus.

1. Jesus rose from the dead in accordance with His **Humanity, 2:22-23**

"Jesus of Nazareth, a man . . . crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men"

Why He could not die

He is **life (Jn 14:6)**

He is **eternal (Jn 1:1-3)**

Why He did die

He added on **humanity (Jn 1:14; Phil 2:6-8)**

He became **sin (2 Cor 5:21)**

2. Jesus rose from the dead in accordance with His **Prophecy, 2:24-32**

"God raised Him up . . . it was not possible for Him to be held by it"

Jesus' **prophecies (Isa 53; Joel 2; Ps 16)**

Jesus' **words (Matt 16:21)**

Jesus' **tomb (Matt 28:1-7)**

Jesus' **appearances (1 Cor 15:3-8)**

Jesus' **followers (Acts 21:13)**

Jesus' **work (Acts 2:47)**

3. Jesus rose from the dead in accordance with His **Deity, 2:33-36**

"This Jesus God raised up . . . having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit . . . the Lord said to my Lord"

Conclusion: The message of the resurrection works in the **heart (Acts 2:37-41)**.