

# Worship the God of the Resurrection

## Points to Consider

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## Viewing the life of Jesus through the disciples' lens

**John 6:13-15** *Therefore they gathered them up, and filled twelve baskets with the fragments of the five barley loaves which were left over by those who had eaten. 14 Then those men, when they had seen the sign that Jesus did, said, "This is truly the Prophet who is to come into the world." 15 Therefore when Jesus perceived that they were about to come and take Him by force to make Him king, He departed again to the mountain by Himself alone. NKJV*

After Jesus fed the 5,000 men, they wanted to force Him to be their king over an \_\_\_\_\_ kingdom.

**Mark 8:27-33** *Now Jesus and His disciples went out to the towns of Caesarea Philippi; and on the road He asked His disciples, saying to them, "Who do men say that I am?" 28 So they answered, "John the Baptist; but some say, Elijah; and others, one of the prophets." 29 He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered and said to Him, "You are the Christ." 30 Then He strictly warned them that they should tell no one about Him. 31 And He began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things, and be rejected by the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. 32 He spoke this word openly. Then Peter took Him aside and began to rebuke Him. 33 But when He had turned around and looked at His disciples, He rebuked Peter, saying, "Get behind Me, Satan! For you are not mindful of the things of God, but the things of men." NKJV*

Peter and the majority of first century Jews were looking for a descendant of David to \_\_\_\_\_ the Jews of Roman rule.

Peter believed that Jesus was the \_\_\_\_\_ but did not believe that He would die much less be raised from the dead.

**John 2:1-11** *On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. 2 Now both Jesus and His disciples were invited to the wedding. 3 And when they ran out of wine, the mother of Jesus said to Him, "They have no wine." 4 Jesus said to her, "Woman, what does your concern have to do with Me? My hour has not yet come." 5 His mother said to the servants, "Whatever He says to you, do it." 6 Now there were set there six waterpots of stone, according to the manner of purification of the Jews, containing twenty or thirty gallons apiece. 7 Jesus said to them, "Fill the waterpots with water." And they filled them up to the brim. 8 And He said to them, "Draw some out now, and take it to the master of the feast." And they took it. 9 When the master of the feast had tasted the water that was made wine, and did not know where it came from (but the servants who had drawn the water knew), the master of the feast called the bridegroom. 10 And he said to him, "Every man at the beginning sets out the good wine, and when the guests have well drunk, then the inferior. You have kept the good wine until now!" 11 This beginning of signs Jesus did in Cana of Galilee, and manifested His glory; and His disciples believed in Him. NKJV*

It would be \_\_\_\_\_ if your new king could turn water into wine.

It would be useful if your new king could take 5 fish and 2 loaves and feed 5,000 men!

**Luke 4:40-41** *When the sun was setting, all those who had any that were sick with various diseases brought them to Him; and He laid His hands on every one of them and healed them. 41 And demons also came out of many, crying out and saying, "You are the Christ, the Son of God!" And He, rebuking them, did not allow them to speak, for they knew that He was the Christ. NKJV*

Jesus had the power to heal any soldier what would have been wounded in \_\_\_\_\_.

**Mark 4:39-41** *Then He arose and rebuked the wind, and said to the sea, "Peace, be still!" And the wind ceased and there was a great calm. 40 But He said to them, "Why are you so fearful? How is it that you have no faith?" 41 And they feared exceedingly, and said to one another, "Who can this be, that even the wind and the sea obey Him!" NKJV*

Jesus had the power to \_\_\_\_\_ the weather in order give His side the advantage in all battles.

**Mark 5:40-43** *And they ridiculed Him. But when He had put them all outside, He took the father and the mother of the child, and those who were with Him, and entered where the child was lying. 41 Then He took the child by the hand, and said to her, ... "Little girl, I say to you, arise." 42 Immediately the girl arose and walked, for she was twelve years of age. And they were overcome with great amazement. NKJV*

Jesus even had the power to \_\_\_\_\_ people from the dead.

**Matt 10:5-10** *These twelve Jesus sent out and commanded them, saying: "Do not go into the way of the Gentiles, and do not enter a city of the Samaritans. 6 But go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. 7 And as you go, preach, saying, 'The kingdom of heaven is at hand.' 8 Heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out demons. Freely you have received, freely give. 9 Provide neither gold nor silver nor copper in your money belts, 10 nor bag for your journey, nor two tunics, nor sandals, nor staffs; for a worker is worthy of his food. NKJV*

Jesus gave power to His \_\_\_\_\_ to heal the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, and cast out demons.

It would be easy for the disciples to have \_\_\_\_\_ that Jesus would be successful as the king of Israel.

They had so much confidence in Jesus' success that they were willing to \_\_\_\_\_ for Him.

## Viewing the death of Jesus through the disciples' lens

**Matt 21:6-11** *So the disciples went and did as Jesus commanded them. 7 They brought the donkey and the colt, laid their clothes on them, and set Him on them. 8 And a very great multitude spread their clothes on the road; others cut down branches from the trees and spread them on the road. 9 Then the multitudes who went before and those who followed cried out, saying: "Hosanna to the Son of David! 'Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!' Hosanna in the highest!" 10 And when He had come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved, saying, "Who is this?" 11 So the multitudes said, "This is Jesus, the prophet from Nazareth of Galilee." NKJV*

He rides into Jerusalem with the multitudes recognizing Him as the Son of \_\_\_\_\_ who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna means "save now."

**Matt 26:31-35** - When Jesus told his disciples that they would all forsake Him, they all said that they were ready and willing to \_\_\_\_\_ for Him.

Their lenses were so strong that it didn't even register with them at this point that He said he would die and \_\_\_\_\_ again.

**Matt 26:47-56** - Judas brought a great multitude who was \_\_\_\_\_ with swords and clubs to come arrest Jesus.

Peter takes out His \_\_\_\_\_ and cuts off the ear of the servant of the high priest.

Jesus rebukes Peter and tells him that if the battle was a physical fight, He could call thousands of \_\_\_\_\_ down from heaven to fight the battle.

Jesus brilliantly lays the foundation in the minds of the apostles that what was happening was a fulfillment of the Scriptures. He mentions that twice (54,56). However, the apostles didn't get it.

They unknowingly fulfilled Zechariah 13:7, which Jesus quoted in Matt 26:31, by \_\_\_\_\_.

**Matt 26:62-68** - After Jesus affirmed that He was indeed the Christ, the Jewish leaders all agreed that Jesus was deserving of \_\_\_\_\_. They then proceeded to spit in His face, slap Him, and mock Him.

Faced with these conflicting realities, Peter \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord three times.

### **Matt 27:45-46**

**John 19:30** *So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.* NKJV

**John 19:34-35** *But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out.* NKJV

**John 19:38-42** *After this, Joseph of Arimathea, being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly, for fear of the Jews, asked Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus; and Pilate gave him permission. So he came and took the body of Jesus. 39 And Nicodemus, who at first came to Jesus by night, also came, bringing a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about a hundred pounds. 40 Then they took the body of Jesus, and bound it in strips of linen with the spices, as the custom of the Jews is to bury. 41 Now in the place where He was crucified there was a garden, and in the garden a new tomb in which no one had yet been laid. 42 So there they laid Jesus, because of the Jews' Preparation Day, for the tomb was nearby.* NKJV

In the disciples' minds, this was the \_\_\_\_\_. It was over!

## **Viewing the resurrection through the disciples' lens**

### **John 20:1-10** -

When Mary first saw the empty tomb, she wasn't thinking resurrection. She thought someone took His body away and was upset that she couldn't finish preparing His body for its \_\_\_\_\_ resting place.

Matthew tells us that Mary and the other Mary saw an angel who told them that Jesus was raised from the dead.

John 20:8-9 indicates that the apostles believed but still did not understand the Scriptures that He must rise again from the dead.

**Matt 28:9-10** *And as they went to tell His disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, "Rejoice!" So they came and held Him by the feet and worshiped Him. 10 Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell My brethren to go to Galilee, and there they will see Me."* NKJV

The women's reaction to seeing the resurrected Lord was to fall at His feet and \_\_\_\_\_ Him.

**Luke 24:5-10** *Then, as they were afraid and bowed their faces to the earth, they said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? 6 He is not here, but is risen! Remember how He spoke to you when He was*

still in Galilee, 7 saying, 'The Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again.'" And they remembered His words. 9 Then they returned from the tomb and told all these things to the eleven and to all the rest. NKJV

**Luke 24:25-27** Then He said to them, "O foolish ones, and slow of heart to believe in all that the prophets have spoken! 26 Ought not the Christ to have suffered these things and to enter into His glory?" 27 And beginning at Moses and all the Prophets, He expounded to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself. NKJV

**Luke 24:44-49** Then He said to them, "These are the words which I spoke to you while I was still with you, that all things must be fulfilled which were written in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms concerning Me." 45 And He opened their understanding, that they might comprehend the Scriptures. 46 Then He said to them, "Thus it is written, and thus it was necessary for the Christ to suffer and to rise from the dead the third day, 47 and that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in His name to all nations, beginning at Jerusalem. 48 And you are witnesses of these things. 49 Behold, I send the Promise of My Father upon you; but tarry in the city of Jerusalem until you are endued with power from on high." NKJV

The old lenses were being removed, and the disciples are getting new lenses that include a clear understanding of God's plan to have Jesus die and rise again. They are starting to see that the kingdom was never intended to be physical.

**John 20:26-28** - When Thomas saw the resurrected Lord he worshiped Him as \_\_\_\_\_.

**John 19:34-37** - John says he was an eye-witness to the death of Jesus and His \_\_\_\_\_.

## What about you?

**Rom 6:3-11** Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? 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. 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, 6 knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin. 7 For he who has died has been freed from sin. 8 Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, 9 knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no longer has dominion over Him. 10 For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. 11 Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord. NKJV

Have you been buried with Christ through \_\_\_\_\_?