

Acts 2:22-38 The Resurrection and Easter

Why is the Resurrection Important?

R.A. Torrey said, "The resurrection of Jesus was the Cornerstone of Christian Doctrine, the Gibraltar of Christian Evidences and the Waterloo of Infidelity."

Evans stated, "Christianity is the only religion that bases its claims to acceptance upon the resurrection of its founder. For any other religion to base its claim on such a doctrine would be to court failure. Test all other religions by this claim and see.

Why is the Death and Resurrection of Christ so important for mankind to understand and believe?

The Reality of Christ's Resurrection

1. He was sent as a Man (v 22)
2. He was approved by God (v 22)
3. He worked among the people (v 22)
4. He did die (v 24)

The Death of Christ Provides Three Things For All Mankind

1. The Death of Christ provides **Propitiation.** (offering and sacrifice to appease God.) **John 2:1-2**
2. The Death of Christ meant **Reconciliation.** **Romans 5:10-11**
3. The Death of Christ meant **Redemption.** **I Peter 1:18-19**

The Results Of The Resurrection For All Who Believe

1. The resurrection provides the believer with acceptance with God. **Romans 4:25**
2. The resurrection provides the believer an interceding High priest. **Romans 8:34** **Hebrews 7:25**
3. The resurrection provides the believer power to live and serve Christ. **Ephesians 1:19-20** **Philippians 3:10**
4. The resurrection provided the believer his own resurrection and immortality. **I Thessalonians 4:14** **II Corinthians 4:14** **John 14:19**