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Luke 24

A great revival in the Hebrides Island off Scotland, must see video.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=YyMghy2Zpqq>

All verses are copied from <https://biblehub.com/> in King James.

### The Resurrection

*Psalms 16:1 Preserve me, O God: for in thee do I put my trust. **2**O my soul, thou hast said unto the LORD, Thou art my Lord: my goodness extendeth not to thee;**3**But to the saints that are in the earth, and to the excellent, in whom is all my delight.**4**Their sorrows shall be multiplied that hasten after another god: their drink offerings of blood will I not offer, nor take up their names into my lips.**5**The LORD is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou maintainest my lot.**6**The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places; yea, I have a goodly heritage.**7**I will bless the LORD, who hath given me counsel: my reins also instruct me in the night seasons.**8**I have set the LORD always before me: because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.**9**Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope.**10**For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; **neither wilt thou suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.****11**Thou wilt shew me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of joy; at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.*

David wrote of his eventual death and that even in death he knew God would preserve him. He also prophesied that God would not

allow corruption of the “Holy One” which is Jesus Christ. Christ would also suffer human death like David, but David knew that God would not let Jesus dwell in death and have His body decay. He would raise Him up and David knew that when the Messiah rose, so would he, because David put his full faith and trust in God.

**1Now upon the first *day* of the week, very early in the morning, they came unto the sepulchre, bringing the spices which they had prepared, and certain *others* with them.**

Strong’s Concordance defines “sepulcher” as;

Transliteration: mnéma

Phonetic Spelling: (mney'-mah)

Definition: a memorial, a sepulcher

Usage: a tomb, monument, memorial.

In the context of this verse then it is referring to a tomb where Jesus body was lain on Friday the day of preparation. Now without getting too deeply in the woods on the issue of how three days were calculated there is ample evidence that during this time in Israel that it was common practice to count part of a day as a whole day in certain circumstances. Jesus was to be in the grave 3 days and as far as I am concerned that is exactly what He did regardless of how the days and hours are counted. So, in this context, Jesus was crucified on Friday and died around 3PM

according to scripture. 6PM on Friday started Saturday the Sabbath. He was placed in the tomb before 6PM again according to Scripture. So, Jesus was in the tomb on Friday, Saturday was the Sabbath and He was thought still to be there; Sunday the first day of the week comes and we see His mother and others coming to the tomb to care for His body. At what time His body left the tomb we are not told precisely but I am convinced that He fulfilled the prophecy of being dead three days and rose on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. day Sunday. However, being dead physically, our Lord was in full labor in the Spirit and maybe in body as well. When the Godhead reawaked the body of Jesus Christ; the first to be raised from the dead to everlasting life in that form, in whatever manner He did it, Jesus went to Paradise to lead the captives free and tell them the Good News of His resurrection.

If we follow the progression of scripture we are not told exactly when Jesus raised His bodily form up, but we know for certain that He was in bodily form on Sunday the first day of the week due to this account in John 20:

***John 20: [39](#)Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.***

Jesus was speaking to Mary Magdalene just outside the tomb.

Jesus was in command of His body we know also from Luke  
24:39

**39Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.**

I do not know if Jesus took His human body with Him when He descended into Paradise or if He went in the Spirit and again knowing that precisely does not matter to me; I simply know He descended into Paradise to bring the Good News to the Captives there including His new friend the thief hanging on the cross next to Him. *(When I say it does not matter to me, I do not mean that in a demeaning sense, I would love to know exactly every second of that time and what and how Jesus did what He did, but scripture does not tell us; so in that sense I am to simply believe which, I do)*

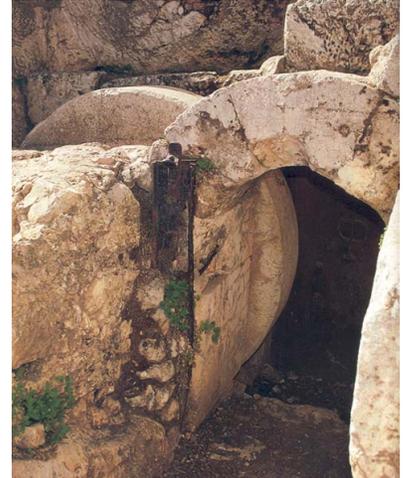
**2And they found the stone rolled away from the sepulchre.**

As a point of understanding here. This tomb was according to John below eye level as he had to stoop down to see in. The stone that covered the entrance was according to historical evidence between ½ to 2 tons; if configured in the way many artists render it for that time it was about 4'6" in circumference and at a minimum an inch thick. However, of the 900 tombs examined in the area of

Jerusalem at this time only 4 were of the disc shape and the rest were of a cork shape. In other words, the most common tomb entry was blocked by a large stone that would be rolled close to the entrance and then pushed or slid into place requiring more manpower than just rolling a stone away. Joseph of Arimathea was not royalty but a common man. Of the 4 tombs that were studied that had rolling stones covering the entry way all of them belonged to royalty.

It is a small matter as to the shape of the stone but I want to be as accurate as possible so when archeology makes a claim that the entry was configured in manner not consistent with what we have all been taught I think it is important that we look at their information.

The picture we are most familiar with is a round stone that is rolled to the side.



But according to Biblical Archeology the stone that was placed in front of Jesus tomb was of a cork type creation requiring a good deal of effort and manpower to move it.



How was Jesus' tomb sealed? While some Jerusalem tombs from the late Second Temple period boasted round (disk-shaped) rolling stones, it was more common to seal tombs with cork-shaped stones, such as the one pictured here. The archaeological evidence suggests that the tomb of Jesus—the unused tomb of Joseph of Arimathea—would have been sealed with a cork-shaped stone. *Photo: Tom Powers.*

<https://www.biblicalarchaeology.org/daily/archaeology-today/biblical-archaeology-topics/how-was-jesus-tomb-sealed/>

**3And they entered in, and found not the body of the Lord Jesus.**

The body of Jesus is gone; sometime between Friday and Sunday the body of Christ was raised from the dead. Who raised it?

Some will say that it was an act of Jesus' own Will, by His Divine power and they will base that on;

*John 10:17 Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again. 18No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and **I have power to take it again.** This commandment have I received of my Father.*

According to some scholars Jesus declares that power given to Him by His Father allows Him to resurrect His life. Pretty hard to dispute that, unless we seek more scriptures on the matter.

*Galatians 1:1 1Paul, an apostle, (not of men, neither by man, **but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who raised him from the dead;**)*

*1 Peter 3:18For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, **but quickened by the Spirit:***

*Romans 8: 11**But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead** dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from*

***the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.***

People can make doctrines out of about any scripture, but God tells us to take in the whole council of God; meaning to study the entire Bible, look at the context of each verse in accord with other verses around it and then make a sound decision as to what God is saying. In this instance I think people are simply playing with semantics, the Godhead is inseparable in its power and authority. When Jesus said;

***John 10:17 Therefore doth my Father love me, because I lay down my life, that I might take it again. [18](#)No man taketh it from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and **I have power to take it again.** This commandment have I received of my Father.***

Jesus is not omitting the other two parts of the Godhead, when He speaks of power it is derived from the Trinity, just like the love of the Father to the Son, it is all derived from the Trinity, and it is verified by the last eight words of vs 18; ***This commandment have I received of my Father.***

All three aspects of the Trinity were at work in the resurrection of Jesus the Messiah; from “commandant” to “quicken” to “manifesting”. Each always points to the other as they carry out their incredible mission of saving mankind from Satan.

**4And it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereabout, behold, two men stood by them in shining garments:**

Biblically angels appear in four major forms;

1. Always in Male as a human; Genesis 18:1-14, Joshua 5:13-14:
2. Winged creatures; no gender specified; Exodus 25:20
3. Other worldly creatures; Matthew 28:4.
4. Warriors;

***2 Kings 6:17 And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.***

The angels appeared here as two men. In other Gospels there is a single angel. Let's be clear here, there are millions of angels and how they are sent to appear at any given moment is up to God. How man records those events are varied as well more by interpretation of what they are seeing and finding the right words to describe the event. Some events or seeing of something defies description or explanation, but they try as best they can to describe what they see.

**5And as they were afraid, and bowed down *their* faces to the earth, they said unto them, Why seek ye the living among the dead?**

We saw that angels manifest themselves in 4 ways, but these manifested themselves in human or man form as described here.

So, what caused these women to be afraid. The only thing in the verse that gives us a clue is that in vs 4;

***two men stood by them in shining garments:***

We can assume for arguments sake that “shining garments” were not a common occurrence. We are not told this, but it is likely that the shining is not from the garments themselves but from the presence of the being inside the garment that caused the outside of the garment to glow or shine. If it is the garment that shined as described, then it is explained simply as being a whiter white than they had ever seen before, so it appeared to glow. The purity of Heaven and those associated with God would be of unworldly purity. Either way they glowed!

Matthew 28:3-7 gives us a little more perspective as to the appearance of these angels.

***Matthew 28: [3](#)His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow: [4](#)And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men. [5](#)And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. [6](#)He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. [7](#)And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you.***

To warn you I am going to take what seems to be a detour here, but it ties in somewhere!

Why Galilee? It may be that Galilee and the way the Galileans carried out certain events is particularly relevant to Christ, the Church, the Bride of Christ and the Rapture.

A study and video called “Before the Wrath” might have some answers for us all. No one knows the Day or the Hour but only the Father knows. Linda has this video and I recommend everyone watch it as it has an interesting approach to the Rapture and why Jesus used the Galilean wedding as a description of that event. It also reflects on why Jesus would tell His disciples to meet Him in Galilee. Wasn’t Jerusalem a good enough place to have this amazing reunion or was there more that Jesus needed to share with them and He was going to use Galilee to do it?

**6He is not here, but is risen: remember how he spake unto you when he was yet in Galilee, 7Saying, The Son of man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and the third day rise again. 8And they remembered his words,**

“But is risen”. Maybe the three most important words in the Christian language; it was prophesied that He would rise up from the dead, He said He would rise up from the dead and He rose up

from the dead. Pretty convincing evidence as to who Jesus really was. The very thing the Jews did not want to have to deal with.

Galilee, one of the most heavily Gentile populated areas in Israel. When Jesus left Nazareth, which is also in Galilee; He spent much of His ministry in northeastern Galilee. All of His disciples were from Galilee and predominately from around the Sea of Galilee. Could it be that it was more comfortable for them? Jesus never did anything that was “more comfortable” so that can’t be it. It might be part of the larger story of the coming Rapture.

The two tribes that occupy this land called Galilee were Naphtali and Zebulun. Zebulun was where the town of Nazareth was, and the two disciples James and John were from the Tribe of Zebulun. The name Zebulun means; “**Seaport or a glorious dwelling place**”. Their last name is from the area they were from, so they are the sons of Zebedee taken from the word and Tribe Zebulun.

Judas and Jesus were both from the tribe of Judah.

All the rest of the disciples were from the tribe of Naphtali. Naphtali means “**a deer let loose and he shall use beautiful words**”. A symbolic description of the majority of the disciples from Galilee.

There were blessings given by Jacob to each of the tribes; some good some not so good. Jacob started by giving blessings to his first four sons;

We find Jacob's preamble to the blessings in

**Genesis 49:1-2**

**" 1 And Jacob called his sons and said, "Gather together, that I may tell you what shall befall you in the last days: 2 "Gather together and hear, you sons of Jacob, And listen to Israel your father."**

Jacob was his given name and God renamed him Israel. Anytime God calls him out as Israel it is usually of a prophetic nature just as these blessings were to be; they were prophetic.

The first column is the order of birth the second column is the order of blessing/curse.

<b>Genesis 29, 30, 35 (birth)</b>		<b>Genesis 49 (blessing)</b>
1.	Rueben (Leah)	Rueben
2.	Simeon (Leah)	Simeon
3.	Levi (Leah)	Levi
4.	Judah (Leah)	Judah
5.	Dan (Bilhah)	Zebulun
6.	Naphtali (Bilhah)	Issachar
7.	Gad (Zilpah)	Dan
8.	Asher (Zilpah)	Gad
9.	Issachar (Leah)	Asher
10.	Zebulun (Leah)	Naphtali
11.	Joseph (Rachel)	Joseph

12. Benjamin (Rachel) Benjamin

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Naphtali was 6<sup>th</sup> born and Zebulun was 10<sup>th</sup> born.

But something strange happened as Jacob was blessing his sons; he went through the first 4 in order and then the 5<sup>th</sup> he skipped 5, 6, 7, 8, and 9 and went to the 10<sup>th</sup> son Zebulun for the 5<sup>th</sup> blessing. Five is the number of “Grace” in the Bible numerology.

Zebulun was Leah’s sixth son to Jacob and Jacob’s 10<sup>th</sup> son through Leah. Jacob had two wives Leah and Rachel and concubines Zilpah and Bilhah who combined gave him his 12 sons.

Now recall the two tribes that made up Galilee were Zebulun and Naphtali. Naphtali means Beautiful words and a glorious dwelling place. The term Beautiful words begs the name of Jesus, The Word. A glorious dwelling place also begs the place; heaven. So, we will dwell in heaven with the Word or Jesus Christ. Of all the places to set the boundaries within Israel, God chose Galilee to house both Naphtali and Zebulun. Jesus tells His disciples to return to that place laid out as Galilee, where they will find the WORD Jesus and dwell with Him in a beautiful place, Heaven. I believe it is all symbolic of the path that we all take by following

the Word of God; “the beautiful words” and by being obedient to Jesus Commands we will enter into the land of Galilee; “a **glorious dwelling place**”; Heaven.

**9And returned from the sepulchre, and told all these things unto the eleven, and to all the rest. 10It was Mary Magdalene, and Joanna, and Mary *the mother* of James, and other *women that were with them*, which told these things unto the apostles.**

To be clear the women had risen early to take the spices to anoint the Body of Jesus in the tomb where He was lain. They were Mary Magdalene, Joanna and Mary the mother of James and other women who were not identified. These women told the disciples about what they had seen at the tomb and the conversation with the Angel or Angels depending on which account you read.

**11And their words seemed to them as idle tales, and they believed them not.**

I don't have the right words to describe the utter failure of the men in this instance and the utter victory of the women, not only in getting up to do a task that needed to be done but by doing so, by showing their love with actions as opposed to the disciples all hiding out; just a massive failure on the part of the men. And then to add insult to injury, to not believe the eyewitness account of the women; wow.

Top that all off with the Sanhedrin so concerned that the body would disappear like Jesus said He would posted guards at the tomb. Did the Sanhedrin listen to Jesus more closely than His own disciples?

The disciples would make up for their failures like we all have the opportunity to do due to God's Grace and Mercy, but our failures haunt us our entire lives.

**12Then arose Peter, and ran unto the sepulchre; and stooping down, he beheld the linen clothes laid by themselves, and departed, wondering in himself at that which was come to pass.**

Hmmmm, at least Peter got up and did something, but he still did not believe the women. wow

## **The Road to Emmaus**

**(Mark 16:12-13)**

**13And, behold, two of them went that same day to a village called Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem *about threescore furlongs*.**

The distance is about 6 ½ miles from Jerusalem to Emmaus. We only know the name of one of these two men, Cleophas and little more is known about him. It is believed that Luke got this account from Cleophas as the only other gospel that mentions is in Mark 16:12 and it is one verse.

**14And they talked together of all these things which had happened. 15And it came to pass, that, while they communed *together* and reasoned, Jesus himself drew near, and went with them. 16But their eyes were holden that they should not know him. 17And he said unto them, What manner of communications *are* these that ye have one to another, as ye walk, and are sad? 18And the one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answering said unto him, Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem, and hast not known the things which are come to pass there in these days? 19And he said unto them, What things? And they said unto him, Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, which was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people:**

After all that Jesus had told His disciples and even with Peter acknowledging Jesus as the Messiah these two disciples refer to Jesus as “a prophet might in deed and word before God and all the people”.

**20And how the chief priests and our rulers delivered him to be condemned to death, and have crucified him. 21But we trusted that it had been he which should have redeemed Israel: and beside all this, to day is the third day since these things were done. 22Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre; 23And when they found not his body, they came, saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels, which said that he was alive. 24And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found *it* even so as the women had said: but him they saw not.**

## Jesus Explains the Prophecies

**25Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken: 26Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory? 27And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.**

Not real sure if I'd like to be called a "fool" by the living Messiah; seems like a bit of a setback for a believer. One wonders if their referencing Jesus as they walked as a Prophet of great deeds and words may have caused Jesus to shake His head in astonishment and their lack of perception or discernment.

But Jesus in His Gracious and Merciful way takes them by the symbolic hand and leads them once again through the promises of the Old Covenant, from Moses on through the other prophets to see if He can't jog their memories a bit as to who He, Jesus is.

**28And they drew nigh unto the village, whither they went: and he made as though he would have gone further. 29But they constrained him, saying, Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. And he went in to tarry with them. 30And it came to pass, as he sat at meat with them, he took bread, and blessed *it*, and brake, and gave to them.**

We have been taught that at the last supper of Jesus it was only the 12 disciples but according to this these two disciples must

have been present also for them to recognize the event transpiring before their very eyes.

**Q.** How many disciples did Jesus have?

According to Mark 10 an additional 70 disciples.

**Mark 10:1** 1After these things the Lord appointed other **seventy** also, and sent them two and two before his face into every city and place, whither he himself would come.

The numeric total excluding the women would be 82 disciples. We have no reason to believe than some if not all of the 82 would have been at the last supper, we are simply not told. However for these two men to recognize this event when Jesus broke the bread gives us a good deal of confidence that they were at the last supper in Jerusalem with Christ.

**31And their eyes were opened, and they knew him; and he vanished out of their sight.**

*There was a Baptist pastor who went to the barber shop one day and outside was a little boy selling kittens. The Baptist Pastor asked the little boy what kind of kittens they were. The little boy said they were "Baptist kittens". The Pastor laughed and went on into the Barber. A couple of days later the Pastor happened by the Barber shop and heard another man ask the little boy who still had some kittens, "what type of kittens are they". The little boy said, "Well they are Pentecostal kittens". The Baptist Pastor laughed and said, "A couple of days ago you said they were Baptist kittens." The little boy replied, "yeah that was when their eyes were still closed, now their eyes are open."*

To have one's eyes open is another way of saying to "see clearly", not obstructed by lack of knowledge or wrong knowledge but understanding God's Word as He wrote it and as He intended it. There is all kinds of blindness and even levels of blindness within denominations, religions and cults. Casting aside various parts of sound doctrine due it not fitting within their denominations or religious man-made doctrines. We must constantly seek the "whole council of God" and study God's Word in Truth.

**32And they said one to another, Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and while he opened to us the scriptures?**

This is a verse that has and can be misused in creating a doctrine. There is another rendering of the four gospels and part of John 3 from the 5<sup>th</sup> century Codex Beza; that uses the word "veiled" instead of "burned". If we consider the word "veiled" it complies with the sense in verse 31 that their "eyes were open". If they say their eyes were opened that implies that their eyes were closed or unseeing at some point but actually meaning they did not understand or comprehend.

The problem with the term "Did not our heart burn within us" is that it implies an emotion instead of thinking. It's the difference between "feeling" a certain way or "thinking" a certain way. Our

emotions can deceive us. God has given us the ability to think and reason.

This is not to say that our God given emotions are not real and an integral part of our makeup. However, God intends for us to think, that is why he gave us a brain; I will show two different renderings of the same verse about thinking, the first is from Holman Christian Standard Bible where the word “thinking” is used and then the King James where the word is “understanding”. The point is that God does not want us feeling He wants us thinking.

***1 Corinthians 14:20 Brothers, don't be childish in your thinking, but be infants in regard to evil and adult in your thinking. Holman Christian Standard Bible***

***1 Corinthians 14:20 Brethren, be not children in understanding: howbeit in malice be ye children, but in understanding be men.***

There are many verses in the Bible that call on us to understand as in thinking something through to a logical Truthful conclusion.

The Mormons use this verse to verify that what they are experiencing is Truth by a “burning in their bosom. I don't want to take away from this verse or the idea of emotions or feelings, as to which is the correct word and interpretation, but I think we are on more solid ground when we think and study God's Word than when we feel something about God's Word.

**33And they rose up the same hour, and returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven gathered together, and them that were with them, 34Saying, The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon.**

The Bible does not tell us where the 70 plus disciples were at but it does tell us that 11 of them were together in Jerusalem. That is where these two who had meet Christ on the road to Emmaus and being fearful of night travel tried to convince the traveling companion to stay the night in the city. When it was revealed that it was Jesus that had been talking to them; all fear of night travel vanished and they immediately returned to Jerusalem with what they thought would be earth shattering news of a Risen Savior.

Can you imagine the emotion that Peter must have felt when the last time He saw Jesus alive was in the courtyard as they led Jesus away to the Sanhedrin to be beaten that Friday evening? Peter had been accused three times of being one of the Disciples and vehemently rejected that accusation. And the third time he said he did not know Jesus the cock crowed, and Jesus turned and looked at Peter. What devastation Peter must have felt in failing his Lord and Master in such a way.

Then to be face to face with the Risen Lord, to be comforted as only Jesus can do to a sinner and to be reconciled to Jesus. What must have he thought while all of that was happening?

**35And they told what things *were done* in the way, and how he was known of them in breaking of bread.**

The two disciples that had traveled to Emmaus were able to tell their story to the other disciples giving more evidence to the Risen Savior Jesus Christ. But eyewitness and hearsay testimony was not the best evidence to come.

### **Jesus Appears to the Disciples**

**(John 20:19-23; 1 John 1:1-4)**

**36And as they thus spake, Jesus himself stood in the midst of them, and saith unto them, Peace *be* unto you.**

Here is where emotion and feelings have a significant role. They knew He had died on the cross, they had spent the last three years of their lives with Him and they felt the pain of loss at His death. What word describes the feeling of seeing your Savior standing before you alive and Risen from the Dead. What word is it that can join all the thinking, understanding, feelings and emotion into a single word to describe what the disciples must have felt at that moment. That is to say nothing of the mother who had borne Jesus and cared for Him His entire life. What is the word that describes that moment?

The Word Jesus chose was Peace; and He directed to each of them.

*1515 eirénē (from eirō, "to join, tie together into a whole") – properly, wholeness, i.e. when all essential parts are joined together; peace (God's gift of wholeness).*

In a Word Jesus set the stage for the Church that He would build and it was established on PEACE, the joining together essential parts to create establish God's gift of wholeness, One Body, One Christ.

**37But they were terrified and affrighted, and supposed that they had seen a spirit. 38And he said unto them, Why are ye troubled? and why do thoughts arise in your hearts?**

Jesus calls out their emotions as “troubled” but then He comments on their “thinking” their thoughts arising from their hearts. The mind racing to put all of this in logical order that the mind could synthesis the meaning of all of the things that had happened in the last three days and the last three years of their lives. How would you handle that?

Jesus will gently lead them and us to a logical conclusion, one that does not need to fabricate things to come to that conclusion. It can be summed up like this; Jesus said, I believe it and that settles it. If you are not there you need to get there or you will be drive to and fro by the winds that are coming during these end times.

**39Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.**

Jesus is the first to combine the physical with the eternal in that He defeated death, raised up from the dead and retook His physical body and then manipulated that physical body through what had been before an impossibility since the fall of man; merging physical and spiritual together for eternity, just exactly as God had intended from the beginning

**40And when he had thus spoken, he shewed them *his* hands and *his* feet. 41And while they yet believed not for joy, and wondered, he said unto them, Have ye here any meat? 42And they gave him a piece of a broiled fish, and of an honeycomb. 43And he took *it*, and did eat before them.**

The Spiritual World apparently does not need sustenance to sustain Spiritual life; it is apparently built into that eternal design by God. However, when Jesus merged the two; Spirit and physical together, the unified form can take food or not, it is apparently up to the individual. I do not know why or even try to understand, it simply is.

And now the important verbal exchange between the Risen Savior and those who would start building His Church.

### **Jesus Opens the Meaning of Scriptures**

**44And he said unto them, These *are* the words which I spake unto you, while I was yet with you, that all things must be fulfilled, which were written in the law of Moses, and *in* the prophets, and *in* the psalms, concerning me. 45Then opened he their **understanding**, that they might understand the scriptures,**

Not to belabor the point but here is that “thinking” thing again. When Jesus “opened He their understanding, that they might understand the scriptures”. That is a combination of understanding in the mind and in our own spirits. There is an element of feeling or emotion but Jesus needs us to understand to our very core that what He says is Truth and there is no other Truth than His Truth. It is possible to believe by emotion but I think it is more stable to believe by mentally understanding; we are people that are driving by our minds to learn and understand by thinking through the things we see, hear, taste, smell and feel. The Spiritual side is a whole different matter, but my sense is that thinking Spiritually is of still a great importance as we enter eternity.

**46And said unto them, Thus it is written, and thus it behoved Christ to suffer, and to rise from the dead the third day:**

It is written is another way of referencing the Bible the Word of God. So solid is it's foundation in Truth that Jesus would reference it many times in His Ministry and He directs us to seek

the Truth by search the Scriptures day and night. It was the source Jesus used when He taught His disciples about what was to take place. They and even today many Israelis cannot or will not use their minds to find the answers for their eternal souls.

**47And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations, beginning at Jerusalem.**

John the Baptist started the ministry of the Church that Jesus would build to become His Bride on one premise; repent. That premise is still valid today, it all begins with repentance, no other way to the Father but through the Son and to get to the Son you have to accept the free Gift; His Blood for your sins. First comes repentance then comes forgiveness or remission.

**48And ye are witnesses of these things. 49And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but tarry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high.**

**Q.** Another promise to the disciples about a power that would fill them, but what had to happen before the power would come?

***John 16:7 7Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.***

## The Ascension

([Mark 16:19-20](#); [Acts 1:6-11](#))

**[50](#)And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them. [51](#)And it came to pass, while he blessed them, he was parted from them, and carried up into heaven.**

Mark records this event this way.

*Mark 16: [19](#)So then after the Lord had spoken unto them, he was received up into heaven, and sat on the right hand of God. [20](#)And they went forth, and preached every where, the Lord working with them, and confirming the word with signs following. Amen.*

**[52](#)And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy: [53](#)And were continually in the temple, praising and blessing God. Amen.**

The first thing is always, always “Worship Him”. And the worship should continue on with every step we take, relying on Him not only for our provisions but for the words we speak and the steps we take every minute of our live. He is worthy to be worshiped He is God.

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