

The Historical Foundation of the Resurrection

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1. The uniqueness of Christianity in the Risen Lord Jesus Christ.
2. The uniqueness of true Protestantism regarding the Word of God; the modern Protestant fallacy; and how we are losing Protestant Christianity.
3. The modern undermining of Christian faith by tradition, phemonology, and practical approaches to Truth, all of which end up corrupting the Word of God.

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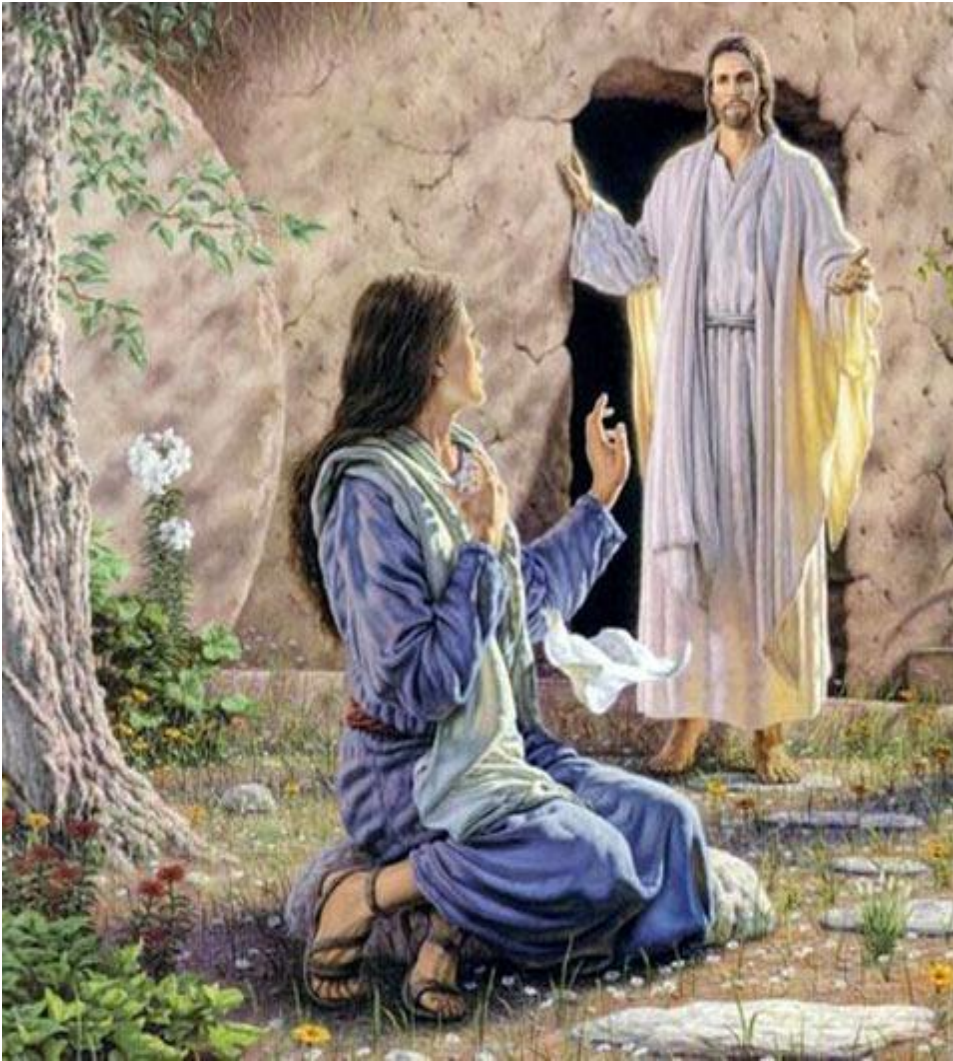
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- 1. The Christian life considered as a Resurrected life.**
- 2. Seeking the things above (τὰ ἄνω ζητεῖτε), Mt 6:20 (θησαυρίζετε...θησαυρούς); 2 Cor. 5:9.**
- 3. Setting our minds on the things above (τὰ ἄνω φρονεῖτε).**
- 4. Our present possession of the resurrected Christ at the right hand of God.**



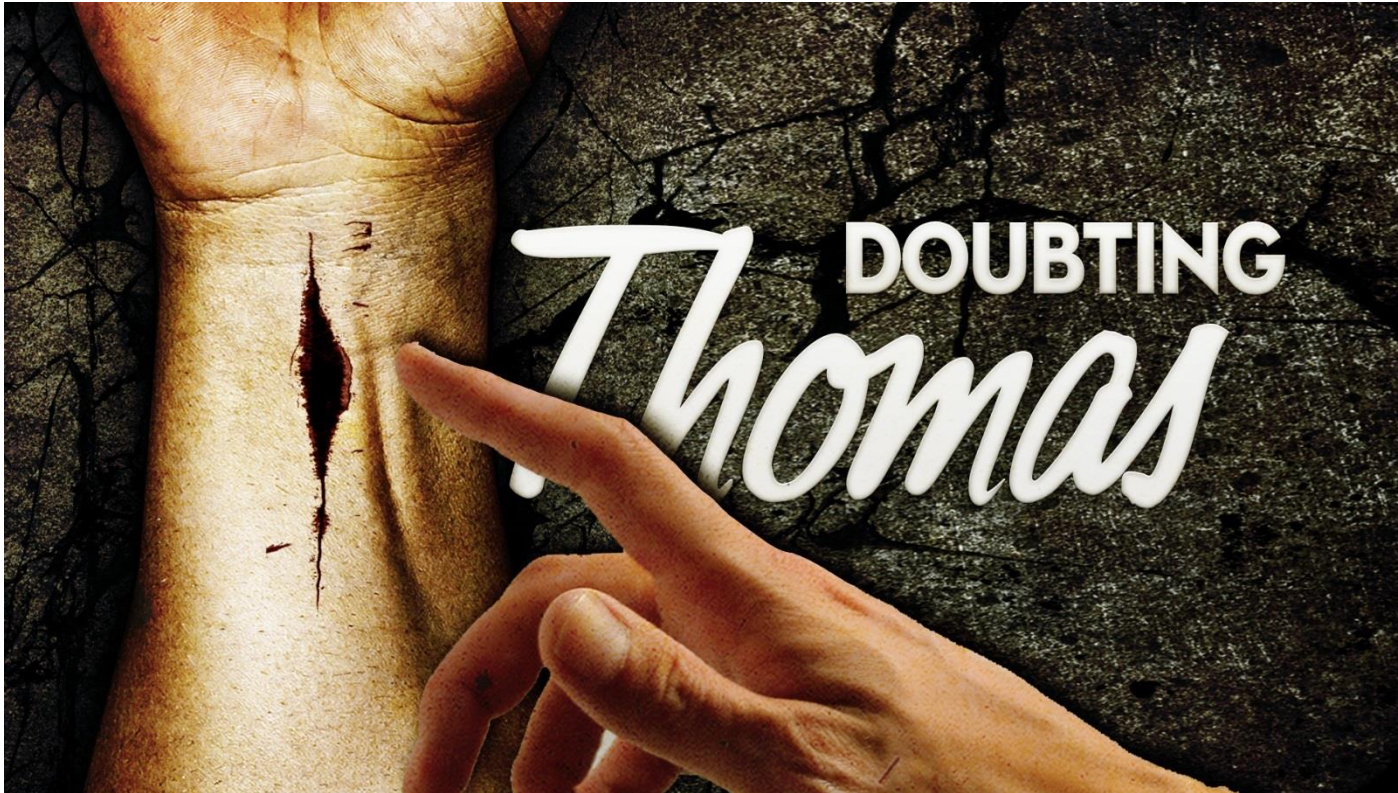
1. What drew the resurrected Lord? Luke 24:15.
2. Observe how they need instruction before they can be ready for revelation, 24:25-31.
3. Note how Christ does not come where He is not desired, 24:28-32; Rev. 3:20.



- 1. Jesus appears to Mary Magdalene because “she loved much,” cf., Luke 7:47. Overview of 2nd person relationship.**
- 2. Jesus’ difficult saying, “Don’t cling to Me for I have not yet ascended to the Father” can be paraphrased with ‘Stop clinging to me, but go and tell my disciples that I am in the process of ascending to my Father and your Father.’”**
- 3. The new family of God and sharing of sonship with the Father because of the death, resurrection, and exaltation of Jesus Christ.**
- 4. Jesus’ new presence among His own, Matt. 18:20; 28:20; John 14:23.**



1. **Jesus' commission for all believers—ambassadors of Christ, 2 Cor. 5:20-21; 1 Jn 4:17.**
2. **Jesus' provision of divine power of God the Holy Spirit.**
3. **Jesus' message we are to announce to all of the world.**



1. Thomas was no doubter.
2. The isolation that misses the sight of Christ, John 20:24.
3. The revelation that turned the denier into confessor.
4. The last beatitude that extends to all generation, 20:29; 2 Cor. 4:18; 1 Pet 1:8-9.

The Lord and His disciples by the Sea, John 21



1. The sea and the beach, John 21:1-14.
2. Jesus' threefold restoration of Peter, 21:15-22.
3. Peter's triple answer.
4. The motivating power of Christ's love to serve others.