

Holy Week

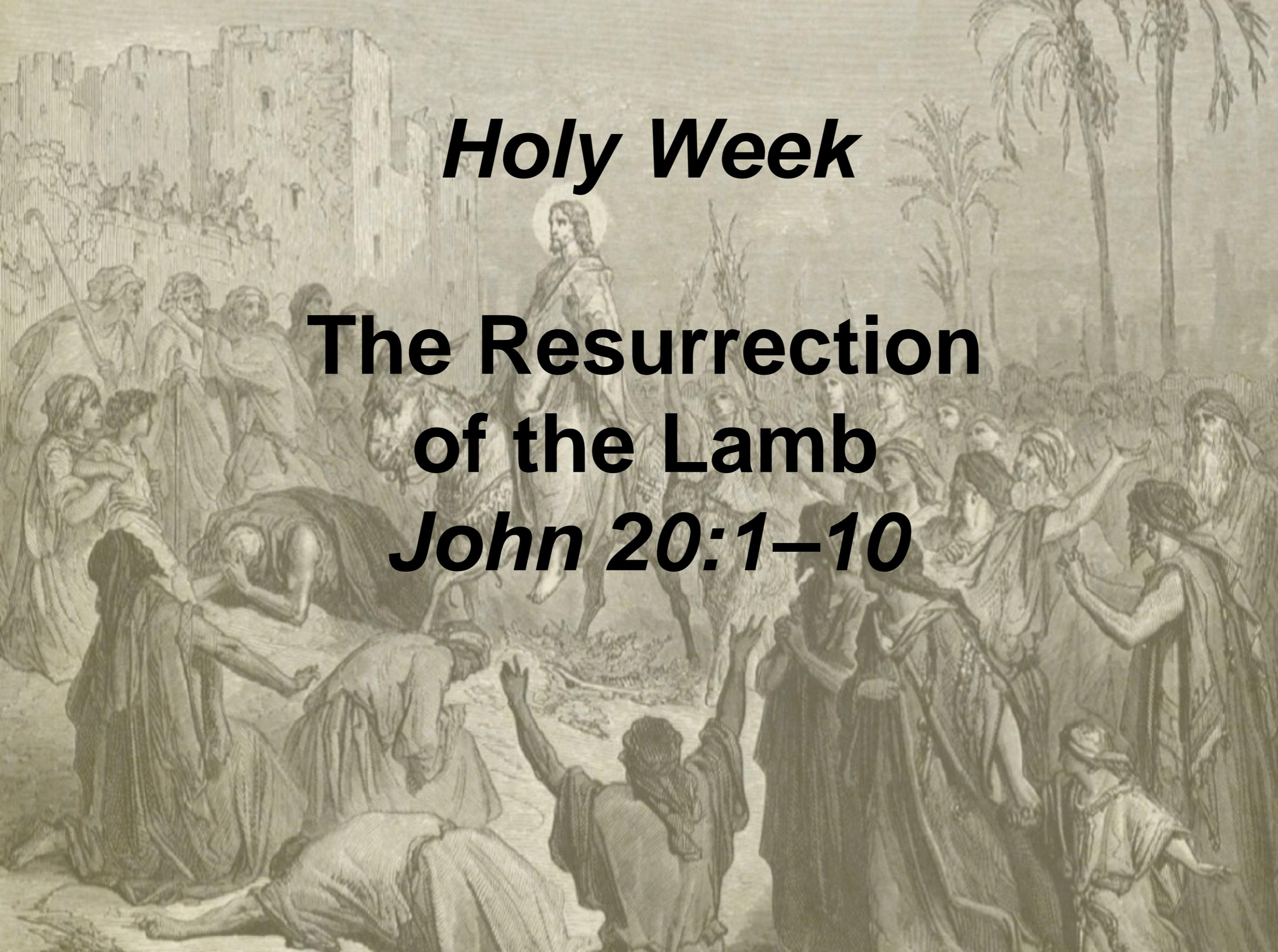
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## **The Resurrection of the Lamb**

***John 20:1–10***

# ***HOLY WEEK***

- 1. The *Presentation* of the Messianic Lamb**
- 2. The *Examination* of the Messianic Lamb**
- 3. The *Judgment* announced**
- 4. The *Instruction* by the Messianic Lamb**  
**The *Judgment* on Israel**  
***Instructions* to the Church**
- 5. The *Trial* of the Messianic Lamb**
- 6. The *Crucifixion* of the Messianic Lamb**
- 7. The *Resurrection* of the Messianic Lamb**

## ***HOLY WEEK***

- 1. Palm Sunday: The Glory of the Lamb,  
John 12:12–50.**
- 2. Tuesday: The Instructions to Israel,  
Matt. 24, Luke 21.**
- 3. Thursday: The Crucifixion of the Lamb.**
- 4. Resurrection Sunday: The Resurrection  
of the Lamb.**

## **Resurrection is the Basis for our Hope**

**Acts 23:6, “But when Paul perceived that one part were Sadducees and the other Pharisees, he cried out in the council, ‘Men and brethren, I am a Pharisee, the son of a Pharisee; concerning the hope and resurrection of the dead I am being judged!’ ”**

# Resurrection is the Basis for our Hope

**Acts 24:15, “I have hope in God, which they themselves also accept, that there will be a resurrection of the dead, both of the just and the unjust.”**

**1 Thess. 4:13, “But I do not want you to be ignorant, brethren, concerning those who have fallen asleep, lest you sorrow as others who have no hope.”**

**1 Thess. 4:14, “For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so God will bring with Him those who sleep in Jesus.”**

**1 Cor. 15:16, “For if the dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen.**

**1 Cor. 15:17, “And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins!**

**1 Cor. 15:18, “Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished.**

**1 Cor. 15:19, “If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable.”**

**1. If the disciples knew it was a hoax, why did all but one give his life for the truth of the resurrection? And the only one who died a natural death, John, was imprisoned and persecuted for his belief. None ever recanted of the resurrection, even under torture.**

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- **The disciples of Christ were afraid and had already deserted Him.  
Matt. 26:69–75; Mark 14:66–72;  
Luke 22:55–62; John 18:15–27.**

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- **Their most outspoken leader, Peter, had denied Him three times.**

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- **The tomb was guarded by Roman soldiers. To attack them would have been suicidal; such an attack was considered an act of insurrection, to be punished by crucifixion. Matt. 27:62–66**

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- **The two secret disciples who arranged the burial of Christ, Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus, would not have buried Him in such a prominent place if they had intended to hide His body.**

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- **His followers believed that He was still in the tomb on resurrection morning, indicating that there was no plot to steal His body.**

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- The women came to the tomb prepared to anoint a dead body.  
Mark 16:1**

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- If He had not died physically, He would not have demonstrated His victory over death, or provided new life for the believer.**

**“Our Savior’s resurrection is truly of great importance in Christianity; so great that His being or not being the Messiah stands or falls with it; so that these two important articles are inseparable and in effect make one. For since that time, believe one and you believe both; deny one of them, and you can believe neither.”**

**~John Locke**

## **Inside Christianity:**

**Denial of a physical, bodily resurrection.  
For them Jesus was raised spiritually, or  
psychologically, but not physically.**

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- **The angels at the tomb declared that He had been resurrected. Luke 24:6–8**  
**The tomb was empty, and the grave clothes were folded and in order only minutes after the tomb was opened.**  
**Mark 16:6; John 20:5–7**

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- **Christ declared that He was flesh and bone, eliminating the “spirit” theory and the “vision” theory. Luke 24:39–40**

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- **The five women to whom He appeared touched His feet and held Him. Matt. 28:9**

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- **Christ ate food after His resurrection. This would have been impossible if it was just a vision or a psychological mass delusion. Luke 24:41–45**

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- **His body was described in detail after the resurrection by various witnesses.  
John 20:25, 27, 28; 21:7;  
Luke 24:34, 37–40**

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- **It would be impossible to understand several other Bible passages except from the standpoint of a literal, bodily resurrection. John 5:28, 29; 1 Cor. 15:20; Eph. 1:19, 20**

**This resurrection was attested to by an enormous number of witnesses over a 40-day period of time.**

**1 Cor. 15:3, “For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures,**

**1 Cor. 15:4, “and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures,**

**1 Cor. 15:5, “and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve.”**

**1 Cor. 15:6, “After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep.**

**1 Cor. 15:7, “After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles.**

**1 Cor. 15:8, “Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time.”**

- To Mary Magdalene – John 20:15–17;  
Mark 16:9–11
- To five other women – Matt. 28:9–10
- To Peter (the afternoon of the resurrection) –  
1 Cor. 15:5
- To two Christians on the road to Emmaus  
(Cleopas and Mary) – Luke 24:13–33;  
Mark 16:12
- To ten disciples – John 20:19–25
- To eleven disciples (including Thomas) –  
John 20:26–29; Mark 16:14
- To seven disciples by the Sea of Galilee –  
John 21:1, 2

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- **To five hundred Christians** – 1 Cor. 15:6
- **To Jesus' half-brother James**, who had been an unbeliever until the resurrection – 1 Cor. 15:7; John 7:3; Acts 1:14
- **To eleven disciples on a mountain near Galilee** –  
Matt. 28:16–20
- **To the disciples at the Ascension** – Acts 1:3–11
- **To Stephen** (after the Ascension) – Acts 7:55, 56
- **To the Apostle Paul** on several occasions after the Ascension – Acts 9:1–8; 18:9; 22:17; 23:11; 27:23; 1 Cor. 15:8; Gal. 1:12–17
- **To John on the Island of Patmos** – Rev. 1:12–20; 22:20

## **Peter's transformation:**

**Acts 2:23, “Him, being delivered by the determined purpose and foreknowledge of God, you have taken by lawless hands, have crucified, and put to death;**

**Acts 2:24, “whom God raised up, having loosed the pains of death, because it was not possible that He should be held by it.”**

## **Peter's transformation:**

**Acts 2:31, “he, foreseeing this, spoke concerning the resurrection of the Christ, that His soul was not left in Hades, nor did His flesh see corruption.**

**Acts 2:32, “This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses.”**

**1 Pet. 1:3, “Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,”**

**1 Pet. 1:21, “[you] who through Him believe in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.”**

# 1. Victory over Death

**1 Cor. 15:53, “For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal must put on immortality.**

**1 Cor. 15:54, “So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: ‘Death is swallowed up in victory.’”**

**1 Cor. 15:55, “O Death, where is your sting? O Hades, where is your victory?”**

# 1. Victory over Death

**1 Cor. 15:56, “The sting of death is sin,  
and the strength of sin is the law.”**

**1 Cor. 15:57, “But thanks be to God,  
who gives us the victory through our  
Lord Jesus Christ.”**

## **2. Victory in Life**

**Rom. 6:2, “Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it?”**

**Rom. 6:3, “Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death?”**

**Rom. 6:4, “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.”**

**Rom. 6:5, “For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection,**

**Rom. 6:6, “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.”**