

TOPIC: THE RESURRECTION AND APPEARANCE OF JESUS CHRIST (Matthew 28:16-20 Luke 24:13-19)

WEEK: 4

Meaning of Resurrection Resurrection is the act of restoring something to life. It is the act of a dead person coming back to life by the power of God.

The Significance of Jesus Resurrection

Jesus resurrected on the third day after his crucifixion. The resurrection of Jesus Christ is significant in the following ways

- i. His resurrection is the essence and bedrock of Christianity.
- ii. It gives Christians the hope of life after death.
- iii. It gives hope and courage that the Lord we are serving is alive.
- iv. His resurrection confirms that He is the Messiah and son of God.

The Appearance of Jesus Christ

(Mark 16:9-18, John 21:1-14, John 20:26)

- a. Jesus appeared to two men who are going to Emmaus in the countryside. They went back to tell the eleven disciples who didn't believe.
- b. Jesus appeared to his eleven disciples eight days after Jesus had risen. Jesus came in front of the disciples and said to them "peace be with you". Thomas did not believe Jesus had risen, Jesus showed him the mark of the holes in his hands. Jesus then asked him to put his hand on His side.

The significance of Jesus Appearance

- a. His appearance made the faith of the disciples stronger in him and everything he had taught them.
- b. It brightened up their hope to see Jesus again because they had thought they would not see Him again.
- c. It shows that Jesus is the true messiah and savior.
- d. His appearances gave the disciples the courage to rededicate themselves to preaching the gospel.

Evaluation-Students

1. What is resurrection?
2. State two significance of resurrection for Christians.
3. Mention three significance of Jesus appearance.