House On The Rock Life Group Study outline

April: The Resurrected life

Week 2 - The mechanics of resurrection

Introduction

From a natural standpoint, resurrection makes no sense. This is to say that, if we could only see and appreciate reality through the natural view point, then resurrection would be impossible. We do not have any example of resurrection happening normally in nature because, again, it is naturally impossible. However, in the words of Apostle Paul in 1 Cor 15:20 – "but the truth is that Christ has been raised from death, as the guarantee that those who sleep in death will also be raised." For our claim that resurrection can and does happen to be true, there must be something beyond the natural view that explains how. In this study, we will explore what makes resurrection possible, and what happens through the process.

Pilot text

1 Cor 15:35-38 35 But someone will say, "How are the dead raised up? And with what body do they come?" 36 Foolish one, what you sow is not made alive unless it dies. 37 And what you sow, you do not sow that body that shall be, but mere grain—perhaps wheat or some other grain. 38 But God gives it a body as He pleases, and to each seed its own body.

• What makes resurrection possible?

Before we look at what happens during resurrection, we first need to understand what makes it possible.

• The mechanics of resurrection

What does resurrection involve?

- Rom 7:4, 2 Cor 5:17, Col 2:13, Rom 12:2, 1 Pet 1:9, Phil 2:12-13, 1 Thess 4:13-18,
 Rom 6:3-5, 1 Cor 15:37-38, 42-44.
- What are some simple practical implications of resurrection for our day-to-day lives?
- Take home actions
 - o Consider your day-to-day life, work, relationship, career and walk with God, what would resurrection mean for you in those areas?

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