

The First Resurrection Revelation 20:4-6

THE MOST IMPORTANT! **Jesus' death and resurrection** 1 Corinthians 15:3-4

His resurrection changed _____

Jesus' sacrificial death and His resurrection provide the basis for _____ 1 Corinthians 15:17

If Jesus was not resurrected from the dead, then He cannot _____ – but He will!
Revelation 19:11-12, Matthew 24:30

Jesus' resurrection _____ a future resurrection life for all believers: John 5:26-29, John 14:19, Romans 6:5, Colossians 3:4

Jesus' resurrection is the _____ of the First Resurrection, which means that there are more resurrections to come. 1 Cor. 15:23-24

Revelation 20:4

- Sitting on thrones – _____ – resurrected at rapture, rewarded Matthew 19:28
- Could include – _____ – resurrected when Jesus returns to Earth Ezekiel 34:23-28 , Hosea 3:4-5
- OT saints who _____ and trusted Him for forgiveness and salvation will be resurrected. **Daniel 12:2:** And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, Some to everlasting life, Some to shame and everlasting contempt.

Examples of OT saints' belief in the resurrection:

- ❖ _____ : John 11:24-25
- ❖ _____ : Job 19:25-27
- ❖ _____ : Genesis 22:5 , Hebrews 11:19
- ❖ _____ : Psalm 16:10-11
- ❖ _____ : Isaiah 26:19
- ❖ _____ : Ezekiel 43:18-19

- John saw _____ - people who trusted in Jesus during the Tribulation - killed for their faith.
- John saw souls raised to life – _____ resurrected, after Jesus' return to Earth

ORDER OF EVENTS IN REVELATION

- 1 Revelation 11:11-12 _____
- 2 Revelation 19: 11-19 Jesus comes back in glory
- 3 Revelation 19: 20-21 destroys Antichrist and his armies
- 4 Revelation 20: 1-3 Satan is locked up in the abyss
- 5 Revelation 20: 4 NT saints seated on thrones
- 6 Revelation 20: 4 OT saints resurrected to reign and judge
- 7 Revelation 20: 4 Tribulation Martyrs resurrected

Revelation 20:5 The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.

Comparison: verse 4, souls of those beheaded (_____ *Tribulation martyrs*)

verse 5: the rest of the dead (_____)

Declarations: verse 5: the rest of the dead

→ did not come to life (*but they will be* _____)

→ until 1000 years were finished (*raised to* _____ *after Jesus' 1000 year reign*)

Context: the wicked dead will experience _____ Revelation 20:12-14

Revelation 20:6 There is a First resurrection

Blessed are those who are in the first resurrection. This includes _____

- After 1000 years, there is a 'last' resurrection, the wicked of all the history of earth raised.
- The Bible calls this a resurrection to _____

And resurrection to the _____ (*lake of fire*)

I. We will have a _____ resurrection – just like Jesus! This is not an immaterial eternal existence. Romans 6:5

II. Our resurrection is our _____ – our final sanctification, when we receive a perfect immortal body. Philippians 3:20-21

“Glorification is the radical transformation of both the body and the soul of believers, perfecting them in holiness, and thereby fitting them for eternal life on the new earth in perfect communion with the triune God.” Biblical Doctrine, pg 654

III. 4 ASPECTS OF OUR RESURRECTION BODIES 1 Corinthians 15:42-44

Current body

Resurrection body

Decays _____ !

Dishonored by sin _____ !

Weak _____ !

Natural _____ !

“perfectly suited to please, praise and fully enjoy the Creator who made them and the Redeemer who restored them!” Luke 22:28-30

Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ!