

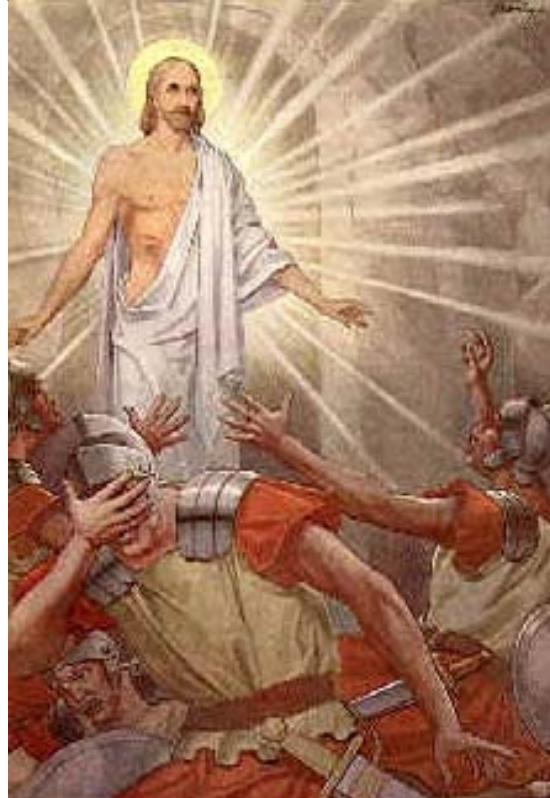


# PROPHECIES OF THE RESURRECTION

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**R**esurrection is the most powerful sword we can carry against sin. Without Resurrection, we are hopeless, aimless and lost in this world. We can live the power of Resurrection every day as the Lord Jesus Himself gave to us to overcome and conquer sin.



These prophecies are important to connect the Old Testament with the New Testament as the Lord Jesus Christ Himself explained to His disciples after Resurrection. I mean when He explained it to the two disciples who walked together

on the road to Emmaus saying: *“..... all that the prophets have spoken: Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into His glory? And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, He expounded unto them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself”* (Luke 24:25-27)

I am glad to write to you about some Prophecies of the Resurrection from the Old Testament.

## One:

There is a prophecy mentioned in the holy book of Acts 2:25-28 **For David speaks concerning Him.** *“I foresaw the Lord always before me, because He is at my right hand, that I should not be*

*moved. Therefore my heart rejoiced and my tongue was glad; and also My flesh shall rest in hope,<sup>27</sup> because You will not leave My soul in Hades, nor will You allow Your holy One to see corruption.<sup>28</sup> You revealed to Me the ways of life. You will fill Me with joy with Your countenance.”* This prophecy was used by the apostles when they first began proclaiming Christ’s resurrection.

It is also found in Psalm 16 the first eight verses of this psalm understood as coming from the lips of Christ as He prayed in the garden of Gethsemane just before His arrest and crucifixion.

The Psalm says: *“Therefore My heart is glad, and My glory rejoices; My flesh also shall rest in hope;<sup>10</sup> For You will not leave My soul in hell; You will not allow Your Holy One to see corruption.<sup>11</sup> You will make Me know the way of life; in Your presence is fullness of joys. At Your right hand are pleasures forevermore.”* (Psalm 16:9-11).

These verses speak first of His burial, then His descent in the Spirit into Hades, followed by His return into His body resting in the tomb before decay could begin, then His resurrection and ascension into heaven to sit at the Father’s right hand.





## Two:

There is the prophecy in Psalm 40:1-3. ***“I waited patiently for the LORD: and He inclined unto me, and heard my cry. He brought me up also out of a horrible pit, out of the miry clay, set my feet upon a rock, and established my goings. And He hath put a new song in my mouth, even praise unto our God: many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the LORD.”***

Of course, in this part we can feel the humanity of the Lord Jesus Christ as He is talking to the Father. In addition, Psalm 110:1 gives special insight concerning His ascension after the resurrection. ***“The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine enemies thy footstool.” Literally, this reads: “The LORD said to my Lord, Sit at My right hand until I place your enemies as your footstool. The LORD shall send the rod of Your strength out of Zion; rule in the midst of Your enemies. Your people shall be willing in the day of Your power, in holy adornment from the womb of the morning: You have the dew of Your youth. The LORD has sworn, and will not repent, You are a priest forever after the order of Melchizedek.”***

## Three:

A similar conversation is recorded in Psalm 2:7-9 ***“He has said to Me, You are My Son; today I have begotten You. Ask of Me, and I shall give the nations for Your inheritance; and the uttermost parts of the earth for Your possession. You shall break them with a rod of iron; You shall dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.”*** The Lord Jesus is the only Begotten Son of the Father and He and the Father are one. When the Lord Jesus has resurrected from the dead, He overcame the power of death and sin. This verse is quoted in Acts 13:33 ***“<sup>33</sup>this God has fulfilled to us their children, raising up Jesus, as also it is written in the second***

***Psalm, “You are My Son, this day I have begotten You.”<sup>34</sup>*** And that He raised Him up from the dead, no more to return to corruption, He spoke in this way: ***“I will give you the holy promises of David.”*** It was fulfilled in Christ’s resurrection.

## Four:

The story of Abraham and Isaac is mentioned in Hebrews 11:17-19. ***“By faith Abraham, when he was tried, offered up Isaac . . . his only begotten son. . . . Accounting that God was able to raise him . . . from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure.”*** In this passage, St. Paul is comparing Abraham’s sacrifice of Isaac to the heavenly Father offering His Son, with Isaac’s return comparable in type to Christ’s resurrection. The same also as Abraham by his own free will gave his only son Isaac as a burnt offering, God the Father offered His Only Begotten Son Jesus Christ to be crucified. In addition, as Isaac came back alive the Lord Jesus resurrect from the dead.

## Five:

With reference to Jonah, the Lord Jesus Himself made the analogy: ***“For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale’s belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth” (Matthew 12:40).***

## Six:

Another example for resurrection was mentioned in the Old Testament in the book of Exodus as Moses the prophet led the Israelites out of Egypt ( the land of slavery) away from the bondage of pharaoh (the devil). He crossed the red sea (the death) parting the sea by his rod (the rod was made of wood as the cross) the Israelites (God’s people) were saved from death and pharaoh was conquered in this occasion.

***I wish you a blessed Feast of the Resurrection.***