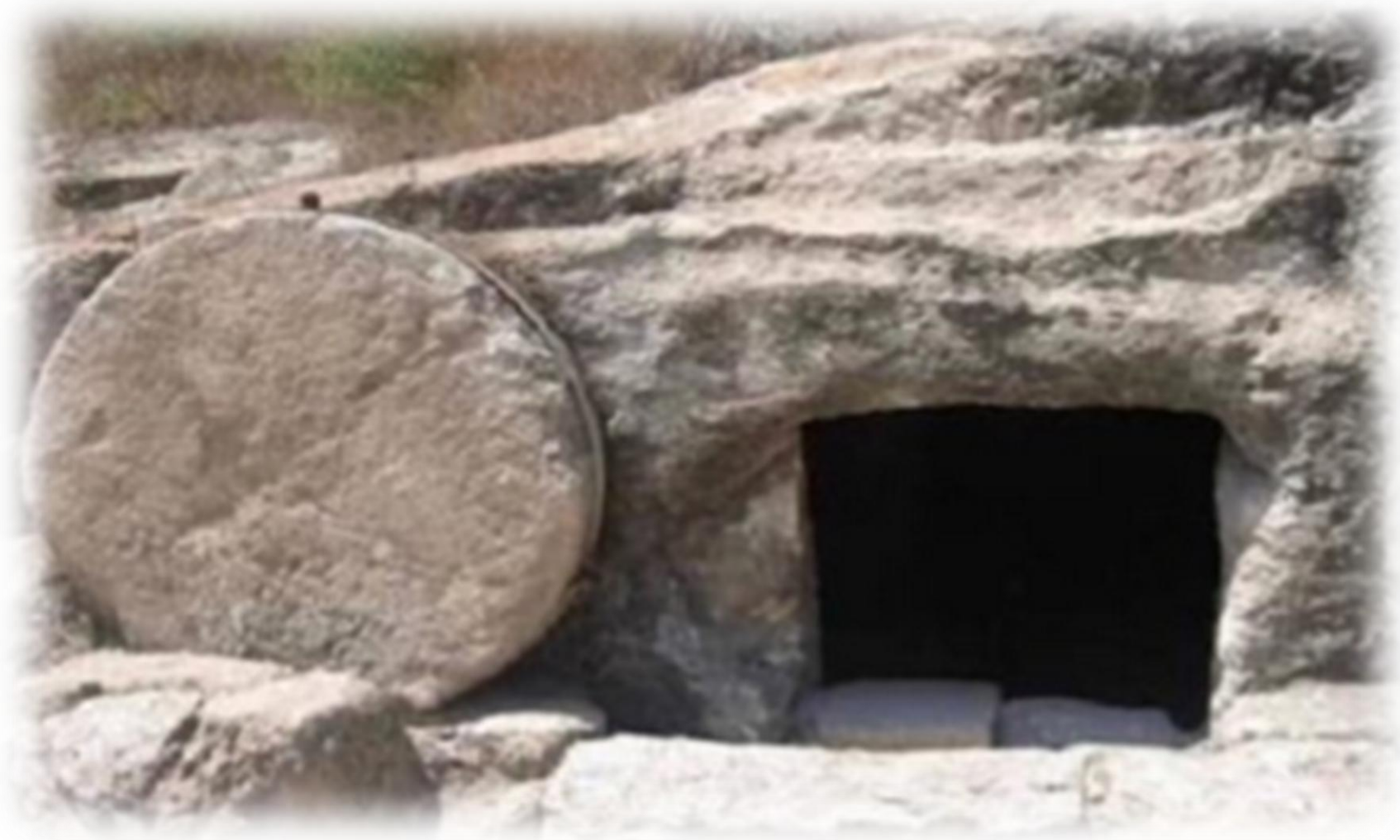


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## 2 Corinthians 1:8–9

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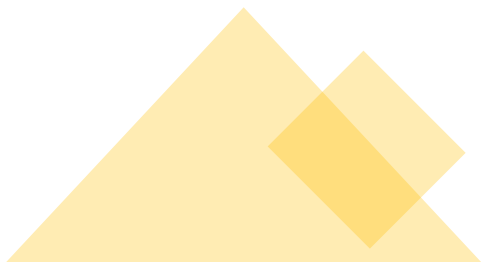
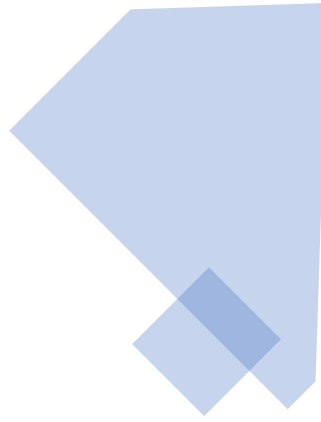
<sup>9</sup> Indeed, we felt that we had received the sentence of death. But that was to make us rely not on ourselves but on God who raises the dead.



## Proverbs 16:25

<sup>25</sup> There is a way that seems right to a man,  
but its end is the way to death.





## Jeremiah 9:23–24

<sup>23</sup> Thus says the LORD: “Let not the wise man boast in his wisdom, let not the mighty man boast in his might, let not the rich man boast in his riches,



## Jeremiah 9:23–24

<sup>24</sup> but let him who boasts boast in this, that he understands and knows me, that I am the LORD who practices steadfast love, justice, and righteousness in the earth. For in these things I delight, declares the LORD.”

## 1 Timothy 6:17

<sup>17</sup> As for the rich in this present age, charge them not to be haughty, nor to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but on God, who richly provides us with everything to enjoy.

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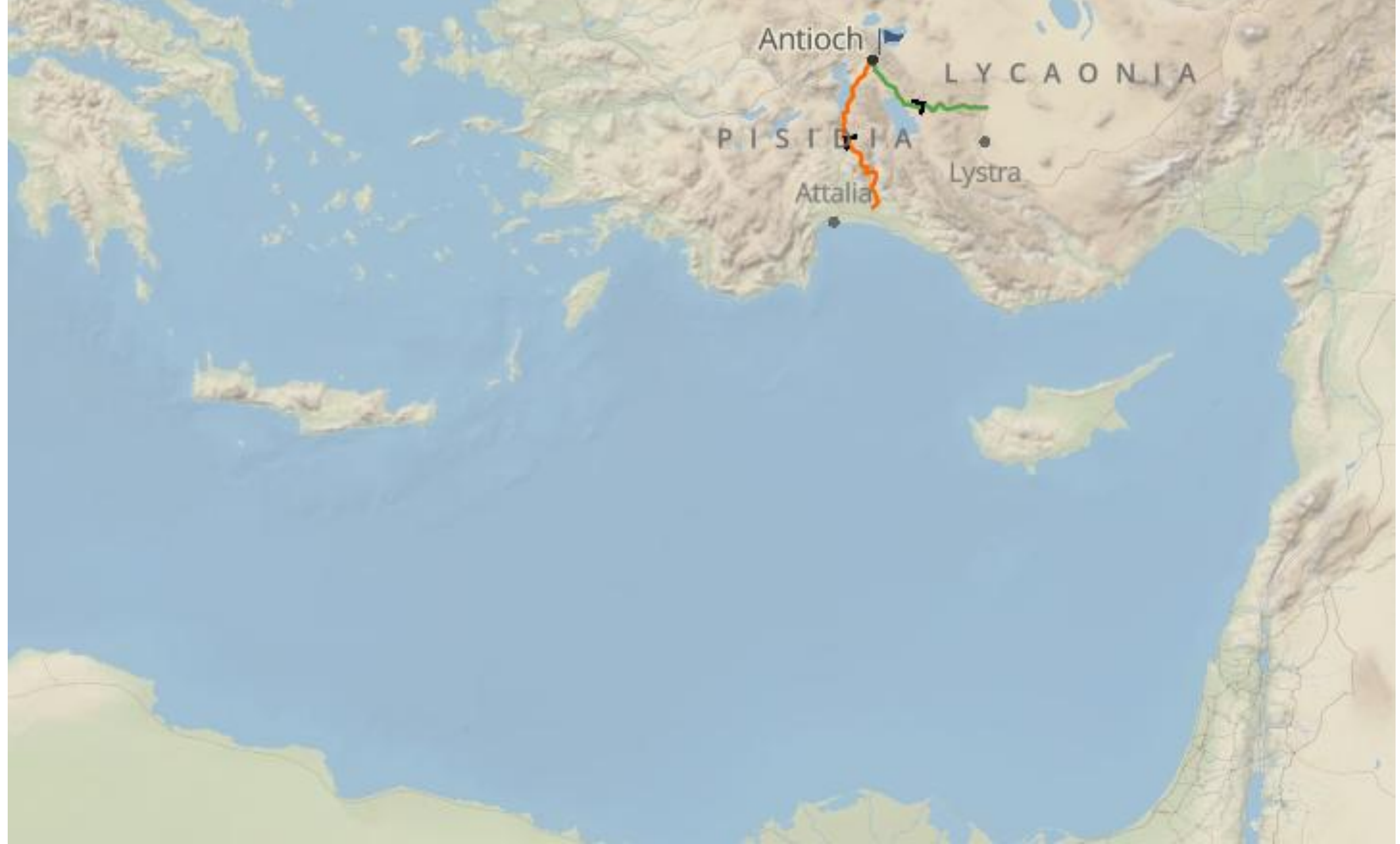
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# I. Fulfillment of Scripture



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## Acts 13:26–39

<sup>26</sup> “Brothers, sons of the family of Abraham, and those among you who fear God, to us has been sent the message of this salvation.



## Acts 13:26–39

<sup>27</sup> For those who live in Jerusalem and their rulers, because they did not recognize him nor understand the utterances of the prophets, which are read every Sabbath, fulfilled them by condemning him.

## Acts 13:26–39

<sup>28</sup> And though they found in him no guilt worthy of death, they asked Pilate to have him executed. <sup>29</sup> And when they had carried out all that was written of him, they took him down from the tree and laid him in a tomb.

## Acts 13:26–39

<sup>30</sup> But God raised him from the dead, <sup>31</sup> and for many days he appeared to those who had come up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are now his witnesses to the people.

## Acts 13:26–39

<sup>32</sup> And we bring you the good news that what God promised to the fathers, <sup>33</sup> this he has fulfilled to us their children by raising Jesus, as also it is written in the second Psalm, “ ‘You are my Son, today I have begotten you.’

## Acts 13:26–39

<sup>34</sup> And as for the fact that he raised him from the dead, no more to return to corruption, he has spoken in this way,  
“ ‘I will give you the holy and sure blessings of David.’ ”

## Acts 13:26–39

<sup>35</sup> Therefore he says also in another psalm,

“ ‘You will not let your Holy One see corruption.’



## Acts 13:26–39

<sup>36</sup> For David, after he had served the purpose of God in his own generation, fell asleep and was laid with his fathers and saw corruption, <sup>37</sup> but he whom God raised up did not see corruption.

## Acts 13:26–39

<sup>38</sup> Let it be known to you therefore, brothers, that through this man forgiveness of sins is proclaimed to you, <sup>39</sup> and by him everyone who believes is freed from everything from which you could not be freed by the law of Moses.

I. Fulfillment of Scripture

II. The Resurrection Witnesses

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B. Apostles' Witness

## Acts 1:1-3

<sup>1</sup> In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, <sup>2</sup> until the day when he was taken up, after he had given commands through the Holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen.

## Acts 1:1-3

<sup>3</sup> He presented himself alive to them after his suffering by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God.

# Acts 2:32

<sup>32</sup> This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses.



## Acts 3:14-15

<sup>14</sup> But you denied the Holy and Righteous One, and asked for a murderer to be granted to you, <sup>15</sup> and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses.

## Acts 10:34-43

<sup>34</sup> So Peter opened his mouth and said:  
“Truly I understand that God shows no  
partiality, <sup>35</sup> but in every nation anyone  
who fears him and does what is right is  
acceptable to him.

## Acts 10:34-43

<sup>36</sup> As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), <sup>37</sup> you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed:

## Acts 10:34-43

<sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

## Acts 10:34-43

<sup>39</sup> And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree,



## Acts 10:34-43

<sup>40</sup> but God raised him on the third day and made him to appear, <sup>41</sup> not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

## Acts 10:34-43

<sup>42</sup> And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. <sup>43</sup> To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.”

# Some who saw the resurrected Jesus

- ✓ to Mary Magdalene - John 20:10-18
- ✓ to the other women – Matthew 28:8-10
- ✓ to Cleopas and another disciple on road to Emmaus – Luke 24:13-32
- ✓ to eleven disciples and others – Luke 24:33-49
- ✓ More than 500 at one time – 1 Corinthians

“Without question, the amount of testimony and corroboration of Jesus’ post-resurrection appearances is staggering. To put it into perspective, if you were to call each one of the witnesses to a court of law to be cross-examined for just fifteen minutes each, and you went around the clock without a break,”

“it would take you from breakfast on Monday until dinner on Friday to hear them all. After listening to 129 straight hours of eyewitness testimony, who could possibly walk away unconvinced?”

Lee Strobel,  
The Case for Easter

# Three assurances from Jesus' Resurrection:

1. Assures we all will be resurrected

## John 5:28-29

<sup>28</sup> Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice <sup>29</sup> and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment.

# 1 Corinthians 6:14

<sup>14</sup> And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power.



## 2 Corinthians 4:14

<sup>14</sup> knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence.



## 2 Corinthians 5:6-8

<sup>6</sup> So we are always of good courage. We know that while we are at home in the body we are away from the Lord, <sup>7</sup> for we walk by faith, not by sight. <sup>8</sup> Yes, we are of good courage, and we would rather be away from the body and at home with the Lord.

But death is not the end; it is the beginning of a whole new existence in another world. For the Christian, death means to be present with the Lord (2 Cor. 5:1–8; Phil. 1:21). For the unbeliever, death means to be away from God's presence and in torment.

Warren W. Wiersbe,  
The Bible Exposition Commentary

FIRST RESURRECTION

SECOND RESURRECTION

Of Christ  
Mt. 28:1-10  
Mk. 16:1-8  
Lk. 24:1-12  
Jn. 20:1-10

Of Sleeping Saints  
At Rapture  
I Thess. 4:13-18

Of Tribulation Saints  
Dan. 12:1-2  
Rev. 20:4-6

(THE Great White Throne)  
Rev. 20:11-15

Of Certain Saints  
Mt. 27:52-53

Of Two Witnesses  
Rev. 11:11-14

Of Millennium Saints  
(No Text)



Christ

Sleeping Believers

Trib. Martyrs

Mill. Saints

Old Testament Saints

(If any die)

Unbelievers of all Ages

RESURRECTION

"Every man in his own order"  
I Cor. 15:1-58

LAKE OF FIRE  
(The Second Death)



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# Three assurances from Jesus' Resurrection:

1. Assures we all will be resurrected

2. Assures we all will be judged

## Acts 17:30-31

<sup>30</sup> The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, <sup>31</sup> because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

“C.S. Lewis was told about a gravestone inscription that read: “Here lies an atheist—all dressed up and no place to go.” Lewis quietly replied, “I bet he wishes that were so!”

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## 1 Thessalonians 1:9-10

<sup>9</sup> For they themselves report concerning us the kind of reception we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, <sup>10</sup> and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

## Romans 14:10-12

<sup>10</sup> Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; <sup>11</sup> for it is written, “As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God.”

# Romans 14:10-12

**12** So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.



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3. Assures us Jesus saves

## Ephesians 2:4-6

<sup>4</sup> But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our trespasses, **made us alive** together with Christ—by grace you have been saved— <sup>6</sup> and **raised us up** with him and **seated us** with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus,

## Romans 10:9-10

<sup>9</sup> because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup> For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

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