

## Job 19; Lord's Day 17

### I BELIEVE IN JESUS' RESURRECTION

- I. For our righteousness.
  - A. Jesus' death paid for our sin and earned our righteousness and His resurrection proved it was sufficient.
    1. As the legal representative of all the elect He bore the punishment for all of their sins.
    2. So in His resurrection He was still representing the same ones for whom He endured death.
  - B. That God raised Him (Acts 3:15; 5:31; 13:30), directs our faith and hope to God (I Peter 1:21).
    1. By raising Him God announced that He was completely satisfied with the payment given (Rom. 4:25).
    2. Even more, justification is a partaking of perfect righteousness.
  - C. Because all your righteousness is in Jesus we are not accepted on account of our work or any worth that comes from us.
- II. Also, by the power of Jesus' resurrection we are already raised up to a new life.
  - A. This new life is the life of Jesus which the Spirit gives us in regeneration (I Peter 1:3).
  - B. This new life is the life of the Spirit through which we are united with Christ our Savior and His work and life become ours.
    1. His righteousness in us makes us hunger and thirst after righteousness.
    2. This life does not change the body of this death (Rom. 7:24), but He lives in us and thus we live.
    3. This life is evidenced in the ability to believe (John 5:24,25), a walking with God.
- III. Jesus' resurrection is a pledge of our bodily resurrection, a hope of everlasting life in a body which will never grow old or die.
  - A. Christ was raised from the dead to glory and immortality (II Tim. 1:10).
  - B. His resurrection is a pledge or guarantee that we also will partake of a physical resurrection like unto His.
  - C. How blessed the resurrection day will be.
  - D. Nothing demonstrates God's power for His people more than His raising Jesus (Eph. 1:19,20; Phil. 3:10; I Cor. 6:14).