

"IS JESUS OF NAZARETH DEAD OR ALIVE?" (PROOFS OF THE RESURRECTION)

Note: Many people do <u>not</u> understand the importance of Jesus' resurrection (*I Corinthians 15:17-19*).

I. THE EMPTY TOMB DECLARES HE IS ALIVE

*Matthew 28:1-15 *John 20:6-7

Note: The priests and elders <u>never</u> investigated the report!

II. HIS MANY POST RESURRECTION <u>APPEARANCES</u> DECLARE HE IS ALIVE

*I Corinthians 15:5-8 *Acts 1:3 *Acts 9:1-5

Note: The resurrection appearances were to: different <u>people</u>; at different <u>times</u>; and in different locations!

III. THE CHANGE OF THE DAY OF WORSHIP DECLARES HE IS ALIVE

*Revelation 1:10 *I Corinthians 16:2

Note: The day of worship was changed the first Easter Sunday!

IV. HIS <u>ASCENSION BACK TO HEAVEN</u> DECLARES HE IS ALIVE

*Acts 1:9-11 *Philippians 2:8-10 *Revelation 1:18

Note: His visible return to Heaven explains His absence on earth.

V. HIS POWER IN LIVES TODAY DECLARES HE IS ALIVE

*Matthew 28:18 *Ephesians 1:19-21 *Philippians 4:13

Note: Access to Jesus requires <u>faith</u>.